

**Bellaire Village Council  
Public Meeting Minutes  
August 2, 2023**

1. **Call to Order:** President Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. **Roll Call Attendance:**

**Present:** President Dan Bennett, Trustees David Ciganick, Pat Boyd, Trish Drollinger, Helen Schuckel & Eldon McPherson.

**Absent:** Trustees Bryan Hardy.

**Staff Present:** Cathy Odom, Treasurer, Nicole Essad, Clerk, Bill Drollinger, Police Chief & Bradley Keiser, DPW Supervisor

**Also Present:** Janet Koch, Kevin Hoch, & Terry VanAlstine.

3. **Agenda:** The agenda was approved as presented.

**Motion by Boyd, seconded by Schuckel, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.**

4. **Conflict of Interest:** None presented.

5. **Public Meeting:** President Bennett explained that this meeting was to hear public comment on the County's request, to the Village, to vacate Grove St.

a) **Public Comment Period:** The public comment period was opened at 6:02 pm.

- **Janet Koch:** Mrs. Koch explained the resolution, if approved, is to gain final approval from the Village Council to vacate Grove St. This will enable the County to move forward with the concept of a public safety center, which will be built if funding can be approved. The County will proceed with the rest of the process at their expense until finalized. If the project doesn't receive the necessary funding, then the street vacation will not be completed. The Village will still maintain the property until the vacation is finalized, which includes a circuit court process.
- **Kevin Hoch:** Mr. Hoch said he has heard some community support for the project.

**Public Comment Period:** The public comment period was closed at 6:08 pm.

- **Deliberation:** Trustee Drollinger verified that if we vacate Grove St., that it doesn't create a problem with MDOT for the Rubber Duck parade route. Mr. Keiser said it would not create a problem.
- **Resolution #18 of 2023, Vacate Grove St.:** The resolution was approved.

**Motion by Boyd, seconded by McPherson, to approve Resolution #18 of 2023, to vacate Grove St. Motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Boyd, McPherson, Ciganick, Drollinger, Schuckel & Bennett. Nays: None. Absent: Hardy.**

6. **New Business:** None presented.

7. **Closing Member/Public Comment:** None presented.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted:  
Cathy Odom, Deputy Clerk

Minutes are subject to approval.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_