

**CITY OF BEL-RIDGE  
WORKING SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2021  
6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER-** The City of Bel-Ridge Board of Aldermen Working Session meeting was called to order by Mayor Willie Fair on Tuesday, November 23, 2021, at 6:02 PM.

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b><u>Board of Aldermen Present</u></b>	<b><u>Board of Aldermen Absent</u></b>
	Alderman Watts Alderman Tope Alderman Whitaker Alderman Robinson Alderwoman Abernathy (by DUO) Mayor Fair	Alderwoman Davis

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported a quorum was present.

### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

#### **Review of Budget**

Jim Krischke leads the discussion regarding review of Bel-Ridge's 2021 budget. Jim met with the accountant and went over line items. Jim states the revenues for the most part are tracking okay. He proceeds to go over line item by line item.

Springwood Apartments have reopened and we are getting a lot of inspections and occupancy permits from them.

Graybar is leaving the first quarter of next year. With them leaving, the question is, is their business license fee going to be prorated or can that be charged for the whole year. Discussion held.

Jost Chemical, this facility in Bel-Ridge is their main facility. They produce a raw material, they don't produce a finished product. They're shipping all across the world. City attorney suggests Jost be audited. Discussion held.

The other big item is municipal court fines. There are very few tickets being written. The best months for court lately is they're collecting three to four

thousand dollars a month. The potential is that Normandy would move their courts here and that way they can offset the costs of the court administrator and other expenses; and even other small municipalities may want to come here. Discussion held.

Because of the loss from business licenses and court, the target amount you can spend for general funds is one million three hundred and fifteen thousand dollars (\$1,315,000.00). Discussion held.

Motion to authorize the expenditure of \$3,865.00 for title insurance as a park expense made by Alderman Watts and seconded by Alderwoman Abernathy, an all-favor vote received.

**Motion passed.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

The meeting minutes were taken and transcribed by City Clerk, Andrea Jones.

November 23, 2021, Working Session Meeting minutes were approved by the Board this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

  
City Clerk