



Borough of Bellevue
Council Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2014
7:00 P.M.
Rosemary Heflin Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

At 7:00 P.M., President Helbling called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

II. Roll Call

Councilpersons Lenard, Camello, Helbling, Hefley, Scisciani, Menosky, Senvisky, Woshner, Mayor Cusick, Solicitor Jeff Ries (in place of Matt Racunas) and DAS Borczyk were present. Councilperson Coder was absent.

III. Public Contribution (5 minutes per person) / (None)

IV. Review of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Councilperson Menosky made a motion to accept the March 25, 2014 Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Senvisky and carried via unanimous voice vote.

V. Motion to Approve Payment of the February Bill List

Councilperson Woshner made a motion to Approve Payment of the May bill list. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hefley and carried via roll call vote of 7-yes, 1 abstain (Scisciani).

VI. Reports

a. Administration

DAS Borczyk submitted a request from Assumption School for donation of Pool Party and/or Shelter Rental. Councilman Scisciani would personally cover the fee for a week day shelter rental.

DAS Borczyk communicated an update on the W. Riverview Wall and 2013 Sewer Project (per HRG Engineers). Geotechnical estimates were being secured for the wall and repair work to complete the scope of the 2013 Sewer Project (Kendall Ave. and Gilliland) was to start next week.

DAS Borczyk submitted Resolution 14-14 authorizing an Engineer/Solicitor rotation in service of the Joint Planning Commission as submitted by the JPC. Councilperson Woshner asked why Bellevue's Solicitor was not first on the rotation. Action was not taken on the Resolution as DAS Borczyk was asked to submit a letter to the JPC requesting that the Bellevue Solicitor be next on the rotation.

DAS Borczyk submitted minutes for the April 1, 2014 DPW Committee meeting and asked that Council review for format and submit any suggestions for these minutes moving forward.

VIII. Committee Chair Reports

a. Finance

Social Media Usage Policy – Draft Attached. Councilwoman Coder asked for any revisions that may need to be made to the draft.

Councilperson Senvisky made a motion to approve Resolution 12-14 authorizing the hiring of a part-time Administrative Clerk (Rachel Volkman) at a rate of \$10.50 per hour. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Scisciani and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

b. Parks and Recreation

Councilperson Heffley requested an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter as it pertains to the Library. Council retired to Executive Session at 7:12 P.M. and returned to open meeting at 7:20 P.M.

Councilperson Heffley made a motion to hire Rachael Trocchio as Part-time Assistant Pool Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Woshner and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

c. Public Works.

Councilperson Woshner discussed the 2014 Paving Project and asked that suggestions for street paving be forwarded for discussion at the June DPW Committee Meeting.

Motion to take from the table, for first reading and adoption of Ordinance, the updating the Street Opening Ordinance. Councilperson Woshner suggested that the Ordinance be returned to the DPW Committee. Solicitor Fries will produce a document that combines the old and new Ordinance for the meeting.

VIII. Committee Chair Reports continue

d. Public Safety

Councilperson Scisciani moved to approve purchase of hand-held ticket writing system in the amount of \$13,769. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Woshner and carried via unanimous roll call vote. (Budget account number 01.410.700.)

Councilperson Scisciani moved to approve hiring of Part-time Meter enforcement employee to be used by Administration Department during “free-parking” periods. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Menosky and carried via unanimous roll call vote. (Budget account number 1.409.140.)

Councilperson Scisciani made a motion to approve bid of Frew Plumbing for repair of Acorn sink/toilet in the amount not to exceed \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Menosky and carried via unanimous roll call vote. (Budget account number 01.409.140.)

Councilperson Scisciani made a motion to approve Resolution No. 8-14 in support of Senate Bill 1340 and House Bill 1272 enabling municipal police to use the same motor vehicle speed-timing equipment as the Pennsylvania State Police. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Woshner and carried via unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Cusick discussed a policy for Saturday parking on Lincoln Avenue – to be further discussed in Committee as per a motion by Councilperson Scisciani and a second by Councilperson Woshner.

IX. Resolutions

Councilperson Woshner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 07-14, authorizing the Real Estate Tax refunds for specific properties as provided by the Real Estate Tax Collector. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Heffley and carried via roll call vote 7-Yes, 1 Abstain (Scisciani),.

Councilperson Woshner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 13-14 in support of actions taken and compliance of Shenango Coke Works. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Lenard and carried via unanimous voice vote.

X. Ordinances - None

XI. Old Business

Chief Sentner noted that the “Craig’s List” Robbery was solved and an arrest was made.

There was general discussion about the urgency to hire a DPW Supervisor. DAS Borczyk was asked to run the employment ad again and also submit it to the Local Government Academy for inclusion in their employment program. DAS Borczyk also suggested that the position opening be communicated to the Western PA Association of Public Works Workers.

XII. New Business

Councilperson Woshner spoke about the Northgate Comprehensive Plan Meeting. As the largest community, we are not able to be included as their meetings are scheduled for the same dates as the Bellevue Council Meetings. Mayor Cusick suggested that DAS Borczyk send a letter to the JPC concerning our dissatisfaction with the meeting dates.

Councilperson Scisciani mentioned that the Shepard’s Door will be coordinating an Amazing Race in Avalon on May 31, 2014.

Council President Helbling suggested that the Public Safety Committee discuss the cleaning of cigarette butts from the front of the Lincoln Avenue businesses (other than the efforts of our cleaning equipment).

XIII. Public Contribution (2 minutes per person)

Connie Rankin – Arch Avenue. Notified the Council that Ben Avon had adopted their Ordinance for the Joint Comprehensive Plan.

Denina DiBatiste – Orchard Avenue. Concerned about the suggestion to ticket on Lincoln Avenue after two (2) hours. Agreed with need to participate in Joint Comprehensive Plan.

Lisa Scoscia – Owner AMS Swim America. Discussed dissatisfaction with hiring process for Michael Plaszek as Assistant Pool Manager. Commented that Bellevue needs to use better business practices.

XIV. Adjournment

Councilperson Woshner made a motion to adjourn at 8:03 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Scisciani and carried via unanimous voice vote.