



**Borough of Bellevue
Council Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2013
7:00 P.M.
Rosemary Heflin Council Chambers**

I. Call to Order

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

II. Roll Call

Councilpersons Braunlich, Coder, Heffley, Helbling, Scisciani, (S) Viscusi, (J) Viscusi, President Woshner, Mayor Doscher, Solicitor Racunas and DAS Borczyk were present. Councilman Camello and Engineer Rusnak were absent.

III. Presentation of Proclamations

a. Bellevue Dogwoods Association

President Woshner read a proclamation for the Bellevue Dogwoods Association and their work in creating a dog park which is free to our residents. Several members of the group were present to accept the recognition.

b. Bellevue Volunteer Fire Company

President Woshner read a proclamation for the Bellevue Volunteer Fire Company for their work in the community. She stated that with many communities struggling to keep a volunteer organization, Bellevue was fortunate to have an active and effective organization to protect our community. Approximately a dozen volunteer firefighters were in attendance to accept the recognition.

IV. Public Contribution - none

V. Review of Prior Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Braunlich to accept the minutes for the Pre-Council Meeting of November 6, 2013. The motion was seconded by Councilman (J) Viscusi and carried unanimously.

VI. Motion to Approve Payment of the December Bill List

A motion was made by Councilwoman Braunlich to approve the December Bill List as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilman (J) Viscusi and carried unanimously.

VII. Reports

a. Mayor

The Mayor's report was read by Mayor Doscher.

b. Treasurer

The Treasurer's Report was read and reviewed by Treasurer Paul Cusick.

c. Tax Collector's Report

d. Administration

-DAS Borczyk asked for Council's opinion on the 2014 Meeting Schedule. After discussion, it was decided to advertise the January 6, 2014 Reorganization Meeting, with the Regular Pre-Council Meeting to follow. The agenda for the Pre-Council Meeting should include the 2014 Meeting Schedule, giving the incoming Council Members some input into the dates.

-DAS Borczyk announced his attendance at a PEMA/FEMA Meeting for reimbursement of emergency expenses incurred for water erosion damage at West Bellevue Station during a storm of July 10, 2013.

-DAS Borczyk asked for and received a motion from Councilwoman Braunlich to accept the revised 2014 Budget as adjusted during several meetings during November and December. The motion was seconded by Councilman (J) Viscusi and passed unanimously.

d. Engineer

Councilwoman Braunlich made a motion to approve payment to Victor Paving & Construction, Inc. for 2013 paving project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Helbling and carried unanimously.

VIII. Committee Chair Reports

a. Finance

A motion was made by Councilwoman (S) Viscusi to approve an ordinance of the Borough of Bellevue authorizing the Borough to incur nonelectoral debt in the amount of \$45,000.00 by entering into a General Obligation Note (known as the Loan Agreement) with the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities (AIM) for a project to be financed in that amount with the proceeds of the loan received for the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities for the purpose of the Bayne Library Building Renovation Project, agreeing to make annual payment in the amount and at such times as set forth in the agreement; approving the form of the agreement; authorizing other necessary and proper action and repealing inconsistent ordinances and resolutions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scisciani and carried unanimously.

IX. Resolutions

A motion was made by Councilwoman Braunlich to approve Resolution No. 28-13 authorizing the participation in the Allegheny County Vacant Property Program. The motion was seconded by Councilman (J) Viscusi and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Braunlich to approve Resolution No. 27-13 to issue Real Estate Tax Refunds. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman (S) Viscusi and carried unanimously.

X. New Business

A motion was made by Councilman Scisciani to approve the acceptance of a conditional loan of military equipment for memorial/historical display in reference to an M102 Howitzer for the Borough of Bellevue. The Borough of Bellevue will assume all responsibility for the upkeep and safety of the unit with the understanding that the M102 Howitzer cannot be placed on privately owned property. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman (S) Viscusi and carried unanimously.

DAS Borczyk announced that the 65th Annual Allegheny County Boroughs Association Banquet will be held on February 1, 2014 at the Rivers Casino Ballroom on February 1, 2014. The cost is \$ 65 per person and the deadline for reservations is January 20, 2014.

XI. Public Contribution

Connie Rankin, representing Bellevue Dogwoods Association, announced that their 2014 Calendar was on sale for \$ 15 with all proceeds to benefit their cause. It was also noted that pet food would be collected for North Boroughs families with pets whose feeding may be a burden on families during the holidays. DAS Borczyk mentioned that he would accept pet food donations at the Borough Office during normal business hours.

XII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Braunlich at 7:29 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman (J) Viscusi and carried unanimously.