



Borough of Bellevue
Council Minutes
March 28, 2017
7:00 p.m.
Rosemary Heflin Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

At 7:00 P.M. President Heffley called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

II. Roll Call

Councilpersons Heffley, Coder, Fodi, Woshner, Hrynda, Lenard, Menosky, Saylor, Senvisky, Mayor Cusick, DAS Borczyk, Solicitor Racunas, Treasurer Scioscia and Police Chief Sentner were present.

III. Public Contribution (5 minutes per person):

PA State Representative Adam Ravenstahl introduced Vince Polus, his new Chief of Staff. Sue Benaquista, Washington Ave., discussed situation at 40 Kendall Avenue.

Dave Fodi, resident, discussed opposition to Lock Box Ordinance.

Mike Fodi, Owner, Fodi Jewelers, discussed opposition to Lock Box Ordinance, urging Council to uphold the Mayor's veto.

Angelo Toranto, Clean Air Now, urged Council to support the remediation of the Shenango Coke Works plant.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to approve the following meeting Minutes.

- i. February 7, 2017 Parks and Rec
- ii. February 7, 2017 DPW
- iii. February 7, 2017 Public Safety
- iv. February 14, 2017 Pre-Council
- v. February 28, 2017 Council
- vi. March 7, 2017 Parks and Rec.
- vii. March 7, 2017 DPW
- viii. March 7, 2017 Public Safety
- ix. March 7, 2017 Finance

Councilperson Coder commented that she would like to see completed minutes before the following meeting. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Menosky and carried via unanimous voice vote.

V. Reports

Councilperson Fodi reviewed with Council the QVCOG report.

VI. Committee Chair Reports

a. Finance

Councilperson Woshner informed Council that all action items were taken care of during the March 14 Pre-Council Meeting.

b. Parks and Recreation:

- i. MOTION: Motion to approve YMCA request to hold annual 5K Fun Run on Saturday, July 15th from 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Councilperson Lenard made a Motion to approve YMCA request to hold annual 5K Fun Run on Saturday, July 15th from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Saylor and carried via unanimous voice vote.

Councilperson Fodi suggested that the playground equipment at Bayne Park should accommodate children of all ages.

Councilperson Coder asked about the status of the AIM Loan and the installation of the Library pediments.

Councilperson Woshner expressed her disappointment in the cancellation of the Easter Egg Hunt. She expressed a desire to have the Borough resume the tradition.

c. DPW:

- i. Update – DPW Laborer Interviews

DAS Borczyk updated Council on the status of the resume/application review and scheduling of interviews.

Councilperson Lenard discussed the purchasing of additional barriers for the Sumner Avenue water line break area.

Councilperson Coder informed Council of the National Main Street Conference and the inclusion of Bellevue on their May 3 bus tour.

d. Public Safety:

- i. Update: Police Department Hiring

Police Chief Sentner informed Council that he was down to ten (10) officers. The department had a high of eighteen (18) in the 1980's. Sentner asked for permission to hire part-timers. Councilperson Heffley suggested that this issue be discussed at the Public Safety Committee Meeting.

Mayor Cusick informed Council that he was putting together a drug task force.

- ii. MOTION: Motion to approve J & D Waterproofing Proposal to alleviate water issue in Police Administrative Office at a cost not to exceed \$2,950.00 from Budget Account No. 01.409.373.

Councilperson Senvisky made a Motion to approve J & D Waterproofing Proposal to alleviate water issue in Police Administrative Office at a cost not to exceed \$2,950.00 from Budget Account No. 01.409.373. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Woshner and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

- iii. MOTION: Motion to approve First Responder Training for Officers as presented not to exceed \$2,800.00. (Budget Account No. 01.410.461.)

Councilperson Senvisky made a Motion to approve First Responder Training for Officers as presented not to exceed \$2800.00. (Budget Account No. 01.410.461.) The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Saylor and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

- VII. Resolutions: i. MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution No. 07-17, remediation of Shenango Coke Works site.

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to approve Resolution No. 07-17, remediation of Shenango Coke Works site. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Menosky and carried via unanimous voice vote.

- ii. MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution No. 08-17, approving the hiring of Maureen Grant as Seasonal Pool Manger at a salary of \$8,670.00. (Budget Account No. 01.452.130.)

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to approve Resolution No. 08-17, approving the hiring of Maureen Grant as Seasonal Pool Manager at a salary of \$8,670.00. (Budget Account No. 01.452.130.) The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Coder and carried via six (6) to three (3) roll call vote. (Lenard, Fodi, Coder - Nay).

- iii. MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution No. 09-17, establishing Bellevue Borough's participating in the Quaker Valley Council of Governments Recycling Committee.

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to approve Resolution No. 09-17, establishing Bellevue Borough's participating in the Quaker Valley Council of Governments Recycling Committee. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Fodi and carried via unanimous voice vote.

- iv. MOTION: Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-17, approving the hiring of six (6) Part-time Firefighters at a pay rate of \$14.85 per hour. (Budget Account No. 01.411.130.)

Councilperson Senvisky made a Motion to approve Resolution No. 10-17, approving the hiring of six (6) Part-time Firefighters at a pay rate of \$14.85 per hour. (Budget Account No. 01.411.130). The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Coder and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

- VIII. Ordinances:
 - i. MOTION: I move to introduce Ordinance No. 17-05 to supplement the Firefighters Pension Plan for the full-time firefighter employees of the Borough of Bellevue.

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to introduce Ordinance No. 17-05 to supplement the Firefighters Pension Plan for the full-time firefighter employees of the Borough of Bellevue. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Fodi and carried via unanimous roll call vote. The Solicitor informed Council that, under the new Ordinance procedure, there was no vote needed when introducing an Ordinance.

IX. Old Business

Councilperson Coder commented to Council about first hearing about the Salvation Army on March 17, 2017. She asked why the Solicitor was not involved. Mayor Cusick informed Council that these discussions were only preliminary. Councilperson Coder suggested that the Solicitor should represent the Borough in any future talks with the Salvation Army.

Councilperson Heffley asked DAS Borczyk to send letters to all business owners asking them to keep the areas in front of their establishments clean.

Councilperson Coder made a Motion to appoint candidate Howells to the Planning Commission. Councilperson Woshner noted that candidate Smith was experienced and could avoid a learning curve in the position. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Fodi and carried via 7-2 vote (Woshner, Hrynda – no).

X. New Business

Councilperson Woshner commented that there were still water issues in the Streetscape area. Councilperson Hrynda suggested that Project Engineer Hazelwood should be consulted as to a remedy.

XI. Approval of Bill List:

- i. MOTION: Motion to approve payment of the 03 28 17 Bill List.

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to approve payment of the 03 28 17 Bill List. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Fodi and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

XII. Public Contribution (2 minutes per person.)

Ms. Hessel (did not register) asked if Straw Ave. could be repaired and suggested that the budget be expanded to allow hiring of police officers.

Melanie Southland (did not register) asked how community would be informed on Salvation Army situation moving forward.

Unregistered speakers also commented about Family Dollar property (Kendall), Salvation Army (Wise) and West View Water (Rankin).

XIII. Executive Session

XIV. Adjournment

Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:12 P.M. Councilperson Senvisky Seconded the Motion and carried via unanimous voice vote. The Meeting was Adjourned.

Minutes approved by Bellevue Borough Council on May 23, 2017.