



Borough of Bellevue

Pre-Council Minutes

August 8, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Rosemary Heflin Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

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

II. Roll Call

Councilpersons Heffley, Coder (participated via video), Fodi, Hrynda, Kendall, Lenard, Menosky, Saylor, Woshner, DAS Borczyk, Solicitor Racunas, Treasurer Scioscia, Police Chief Sentner, Code Enforcement Officer Delcroix, DPW Supervisor Giammatteo and HRG Engineer Gilberti were present.

III. Public Contribution (5 minutes per person)

Brad Hazelwood, CEC Engineering and Eric French, Eisler Landscaping, addressed Council concerning the options available for the extension of Streetscape past the Dietz Floral business location.

Public Discussion about the Bellevue Dog Park included Bonnie Santucci (Washington Ave.), Mr. DiAngelo (Emsworth resident), Wendy Blazer, Natalie Robertson (Grant Ave.), Deanna Souse (N. Balph Ave.) and Mary Fensor (115 S. Harrison Ave.).

Public Discussion disapproving of method in which vacant Council seat was approved included Dr. Molly Brown (101 Lincoln Ave.), Amanda Sloan (151 N. Sprague Ave.), Ellisa Melo (114 Cedar Ave.) and Steven Melo (114 Cedar Ave.).

Connie Rankin, Arch Ave., Will schedule meeting between Bellevue Dogwoods Assoc. and concerned users within thirty (30) days, working on location. Informed Council that there were unfactual allegations about intermingling of funds.

Deanna, asked about paving of N. Sprague Ave. and Orchard Ave.

Leah Carroll asked Council for permission to use the Bayne Park parking lot for Salsa Dance Lessons on August 23, 2017 for a \$ 7.00 suggested donation.

IV. Reports:

- a. Mayor's Report – written report was included in the Council packet.
- b. Treasurer's Report – written report was included in the Council packet.

Treasurer Scioscia discussed the status of the Sewer Fund.
- c. Budget Reports

DAS Borczyk briefed Council on the schedule for the initial budget edit by Mayor Cusick.
- d. Tax and Service Collection Reports – written report was included in the Council packet.
- e. Administration/DAS Reports – written report included in the Council packet

DAS Borczyk highlighted the progress meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers, DEP and Western PA Conservancy at East Bellevue Station.
- f. DPW Monthly Report – written report was included in the Council packet.
- g. Engineer's Report

Engineer Gilberti reviewed details of his report with Council.
- h. Code Enforcement – written report was included in the Council packet.
- i. North West EMS Report – no report included.
- j. Library Report – written report was included in the Council packet.

V. Committee Chair Reports:

- a. Finance:

Councilperson Woshner informed Council that there were no action items on the agenda.
- b. Parks and Rec.

Councilperson Fodi made a Motion to approve Salsa Lessons at the Bayne Library on August 23, 2017, 6:30-9:30 P.M., pending production of appropriate insurance certificates by BIGr as sponsors. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Lenard and carried via voice vote.

Councilperson Fodi asked about the questions that were submitted for answers concerning the Bellevue Dog Park. Councilperson Heffley reviewed the questions. Councilperson Woshner stated that this was the first time in 5 years that she had heard of any issues with the Dog Park and any action taking away control from the Bellevue Dogwood Assoc. would be jumping the gun.

c. Public Safety

- i. Discussion: Amendment of Ordinance No. 10-10 to permit parking on West Avenue.

Chief Sentner discussed the request of the property owner and the details of the change. Solicitor Racunas will review the Ordinance for the change.

- ii. MOTION: Councilperson Saylor made a Motion to approve add-on module for Police RMS for vehicle maintenance and record keeping at a cost not to exceed \$2,237.00 (Budget Account No. 01.410.252). (For action on August 22, 2017).

Councilperson Saylor informed Council that this item would be on the Agenda of the August 22, 2017 Council Meeting.

- iii. Discussion: Replacement of speed bumps at Memorial Park stop signs.

Council wished the DPW to proceed with this request. Councilperson Heffley asked that the speed bump location heed the organization of the entrance to Memorial Park.

- iv. MOTION: Councilperson Saylor made a Motion to approve addition of 10 new permit parking spaces in Lot 2. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Fodi and carried via unanimous voice vote.

- v. MOTION: Motion to approve request from Bellevue Emergency Management team to purchase a siren controller from Sentry Siren at an amount not to exceed \$2,515.74). (Budget Account 01.415.000) (For action on August 22, 2017).

Councilperson Saylor informed Council that this item would be on the Agenda of the August 22, 2017 Council Meeting.

d. DPW:

- i. Discussion/Motion: Disposal of DPW vehicles through Municibid (for action on August 22, 2017).

DPW Supervisor Giammatteo informed Council that three (3) vehicles had exceeded their useful life and it was his intention to sell them on Municibid.

Mayor Cusick informed Council that he, CEC Engineer Brad Hazelwood and Eisler Landscaping President Eric French had met with Ed Dietz about the proposed Streetscape plan for the sidewalk in front of his business. Based on that discussion, Councilperson Lenard made a Motion to approve the acquisition of a three (3) foot right of way from the curb to the sidewalk in front of Dietz Floral. This would include the compensation of Ed Dietz in the amount of \$ 2,000.00 for his loss of service to that area. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Woshner and carried via 6-2 roll call vote (Saylor, Menosky – nay).

VI. Resolutions – None.

VII. Ordinances:

Councilperson Heffley informed Council that the following Ordinances would be on the Agenda of the Council Meeting on August 22, 2017;

- i. MOTION: Motion to approve final reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 17-10, the Joint Planning Commission regulating the raising of chickens and beekeeping in residential zoning districts. (For action on August 22, 2017).
- ii. MOTION: Motion to approve final reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 17-11, the Joint Planning Commission amending the Joint Planning Commission regulating medical marijuana dispensaries and processor facilities. (For action on August 22, 2017).
- iii. MOTION: Motion to approve final reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 17-12, the Joint Planning Commission amending the zoning ordinance to correct typographical errors as specified herein. (For action on August 22, 2017).
- iv. MOTION: Motion to approve final reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 17-09, amending Ordinance No. 10-10 to designate a portion of North Avenue as one-way.

VIII. Old Business – None.

IX. New Business:

Councilperson Heffley read a statement disapproving of the method of filling the Council Vacancy, noting the dissatisfaction with statements made concerning her dedication to the Borough of Bellevue.

Councilperson Fodi discussed advertisement on the Borough website for the Comprehensive Plan. Councilperson Woshner asked if a summary of the changes made between the last and current plan could be given to Council by the Joint Planning Commission.

X. Approval of Bill List:

- i. MOTION: Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to approve payment of the 08.08.17 Bill List. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Fodi and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

XI. Public Contribution - (2 minutes per person) - None.

XII. Executive Session

At 8:50 P.M., Bellevue Council entered Executive Session concerning the collective bargaining negotiations for the Crossing Guards. The Executive Session finished at 9:05 P.M.

XIII. Adjournment

Councilperson Fodi made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:06 P.M. Councilperson Saylor Seconded the Motion and carried via unanimous voice vote. The Meeting was Adjourned.

Minutes Approved by Bellevue Borough Council on September 26, 2017.