



**Borough of Bellevue**  
**Pre-Council Minutes**  
**July 10, 2018**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Rosemary Heflin Council Chambers**

I. Call to Order

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

II. Roll Call

Present were Councilpersons Fodi (President), DiTullio, Hause, Hrynda, Pennington, Pikul, Pritchard, and Woshner. Mayor Marburger, Treasurer Scioscia, DAS Borczyk, Solicitor Racunas, Public Works Supervisor Giammatteo, Police Chief Sentner and Library Director Goodman. Councilperson Saylor was absent.

III. Approval of Resolution No. 15-18 Hiring of Bellevue Borough Police Officer.

- i. MOTION: Councilperson Pikul made a Motion to approve Resolution No. 15-18 authorizing and directing the hiring of Michael Blair to the position of Police Officer in the Bellevue Borough Police Department. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Woshner and carried via unanimous roll call vote.
- ii. Officer Michael Blair was administered the Oath of Office by Bellevue Mayor Emily Marburger.

IV. Public Contribution (5 minutes per person):

- i. Melissa McKinney and Jen Dittrich made a presentation to Council on behalf of Redeemer North Boroughs Church for a proposed activity. After discussion and clarification, Councilperson Pikul made a Motion to approve Redeemer North Boroughs Church End-of Summer-Fest. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson DiTullio and carried via voice vote.

Paul Miller, 105 Grant Ave., commended police on handling of injured dog situation and asked for update on Laurel/Gilliland situation (brief provided by Solicitor Racunas).

Jen Dietrich, 215 Gilliland Pl., discussed trash on curb at residences of 068 Program.

Georgianne Gobrent, 229 Laurel Ave., discussed process for email feedback to Borough.

## V. Reports

- a. Mayor's Report - written report included.
- b. DAS Report – DAS Borczyk reviewed his report with Council.
- c. Treasurer's Report to be included in Council Meeting (July 24) packet due to staff vacations.
- d. Tax and Service Collection Reports – written reports included.
- e. Budget Reports to be included in Council Meeting packets (July 24) due to staff vacations.
- f. DPW Report – Public works Supervisor Giammatteo reviewed his report with Council.
- g. Engineer's Report – HRG Engineer Gilberti reviewed his report with Council.
- h. Code Enforcement Reports – written reports included.
- i. Bayne Library Report - Library Director Goodman reviewed her report with Council, highlighting the record attendance at the Library.

## VI. Committee Chair Reports

### a. Finance

- i. Councilperson Pikul discussed Savvy Citizen. Councilperson Woshner expressed concerns about cost. Councilperson DiTullio inquired as to why there was no interest in programmers to create a similar app. It was decided that this issue would stay in the Finance Committee.

Council President Fodi informed Council that Councilperson Pikul had accepted an appointment as Finance Committee Chairperson.

Councilperson Pikul informed Council of the Pension Committee Meeting on July 17, 2018 at 6 P.M. and the Northwest Bank Grand Opening (expansion) on July 12, 2018 from 4:30-7 P.M.

### b. Public Safety:

- i. Councilperson Pikul notified Council that a Motion to approve purchase of fire hose from Three Rivers Fire Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$6,000.00. (Budget Account No. 01.411.249) will be on the Agenda of the July 24, 2018 Council meeting.

- ii. Mayor Marburger discussed the Fire Chief Position with Council. The issue will continue to be developed within the Public Safety Committee.
- iii. Councilperson Pikul notified Council that the Bellevue will host a G402 class to qualify newly elected officials for NIMS. Event date is tentatively set for August 21, 2018.

c. Public Works:

- i. MOTION. Councilperson Woshner made a Motion to accept ComTrol/HC Global bid for three radios that permit DPW to communicate with Emergency Services in an amount not to exceed \$840.00. (Budget Account No. 01-430-260.) The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Pikul and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

d. Parks

- i. Councilperson Hrynda reported Council that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Community event was well attended as reflected by the serving of over 700 hot dogs. That amount almost doubled the amount served in 2017.

VII. Resolutions:

- i. Council President Fodi informed Council that a Motion to approve Resolution No. 14-18 authorizing refunds of real estate taxes due because of changes in assessed values and/or overpayments will be on the Agenda of the July 24, 2018 Council meeting

VIII. Ordinances:

- i. Council President Fodi informed Council that the Motion to introduce and advertise Ordinance No. 18-04 to further provide for signage requirements will be included on the Agenda of the July 24, 2018 Council Meeting. Solicitor Racunas will review the procedure for this Ordinance.
- ii. Council President Fodi informed Council that the Motion to introduce and advertise Ordinance No. 18-05 designating Zoning Districts for short-term rentals will be included on the Agenda of the July 24, 2018 Council Meeting. Solicitor Racunas will review the procedure for this Ordinance.
- ii. Council President Fodi informed Council that the Motion to approve Ordinance No. 18-06 amending Article III of the Avalon, Bellevue and Ben-Avon Joint Zoning Ordinance to further provide for off-street parking and loading requirements will be included on the Agenda of the July 24, 2018 Council Meeting. Solicitor Racunas will review the procedure for this Ordinance. Councilperson Woshner informed Council that she was not clear as to the difference between the old and new versions of the above ordinances.

IX. Old Business:

Councilperson Woshner inquired about the administrative car. DPW Supervisor Giammatteo stated that it was ready for use. Councilperson Woshner also asked if the Gilliland/Laurel issue could be pushed faster.

X. New Business:

- i. Utility Insurance Option for residents, NLC Warranty was discussed by Councilperson Pikul. Councilperson Woshner stated that the letter to the residents made it appear as if the Borough was endorsing the service. The subject will remain in the Finance Committee.

XI. Approval of Bill List

MOTION: Councilperson Pikul made a Motion to approve payment of the 2018.07.10 Bill List. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Hrynda and carried via unanimous roll call vote.

XII. Public Contribution (2 minutes per person).

Paul Miller, 105 Grant Ave. asked if the land mound at Kendall and Ohio River Boulevard could be lowered. It is PennDOT responsibility.

Georgianne Gobrent, 229 Laurel Ave., questions on Laurel Ave.

Melissa McKinney, 434 Division Ave., discussed gentrification, police staffing trained in mental health (yes), informed Council of Open House at Horizon Drop-In Center on Lincoln Ave. open house on July 21, 2018.

Jen Dietrich, 215 Gilliland Pl., discussed short-term rental ordinance and asked if resident list of 068 program was distributed. Solicitor Racunas informed that because of the pending litigation, the lists could not be distributed.

Connie Rankin, Arch Ave., The Citizen never published anything identifying the Horizon Drop-In Center as a Methadone Clinic.

Carolyn Steinmetz, 116 South Harrison Ave., inquired as to whether 068 Program qualified as property governed by the Short-Term Rental Ordinance (No).

Joseph Scioscia, Lincoln Avenue, Discussed concerns about a paid Fire Chief.

XIII. Executive Session

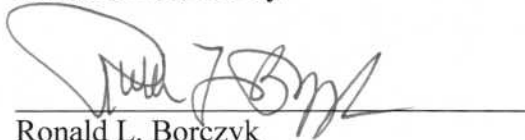
An Executive Session was held on legal (068) and personnel (OVR) matters.  
(7:55-8:10 P.M.)

XIV. Adjournment:

Councilperson Pikul made a Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 8:11 P.M. The Motion was Seconded by Councilperson Pritchard and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes approved by Bellevue Borough Council on July 24, 2018.

Minutes Certified by:



Ronald L. Borczyk  
Borough Secretary

