



Borough of Bellevue

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Borough Council Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2023, 7:00 pm
Municipal Building
2nd Floor Council Chambers

Call to Order

President Pro Tem Sloane called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

The call to order was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Roll Call

The roll was called to establish a quorum. Present were Mr. Hrynda, Mr. McKelvey, Ms. Denton, Mr. McAfee, Ms. Edmondson, Mr. Stuncard, and President Pro Tem Sloane. Ms. Cerminara participated via Zoom. Ms. Miller was absent. A quorum was established.

Also, in attendance were Mayor Val Pennington, DAS Pro Tem Andrea Contes, DPW Superintendent Jim Kelly, CEO/Fire Marshal Jack Davin, Treasurer Joe Scioscia, and Solicitor Matt Racunas.

Public Contribution on Agenda Items

- Joe Scioscia, 260 Lincoln Avenue: Stated that politicians, which he counts himself as one, are “not trustworthy” but that there are things Bellevue could do to change that perception.

Consent Agenda

Items of business and matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and noncontroversial and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by Council Members, that item is to be identified and removed from the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately at the appropriate place on the Agenda.

- a. Motion to Accept Minutes of the April 4, 2023, Finance, Parks & Recreation, Public Safety, and Public Works Committee Meetings.
- b. Motion to Accept Minutes of the April 11, 2023, Pre-Council Meeting and 25, 2023, Council Meeting.

Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane Second: Ms. Edmondson
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0

Agenda Items

Finance Committee:

- a. Motion to Approve Payment of the May 23, 2023, Bill List.
Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane Second: Mr. McKelvey
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- b. Motion to Approve the Appointment of Dionisia Dingler to the Joint Planning Commission to Fill the Unexpired Term of Justin Greenawalt, Ending December 31, 2023.
Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane Second: Ms. Denton
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- c. Motion to Adopt Resolution 04-23, Providing for the Refund of Real Estate Taxes as a Result of Changes in Assessed Values and/or Overpayments.
Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane Second: Mr. McKelvey

Parks and Recreation Committee:

- a. Motion to Permit Bellevue Dog Woods to Hold their Annual "Bark in the Park" Fundraiser, September 16, 2023 in Bayne Memorial Park.

Moved: Mr. Stuncard

Second: Ms. Edmondson

Discussion: President Pro Tem Sloane stated that dogs aren't usually allowed in Bayne Park, but asked if they would be allowed for this day. Mr. Stuncard noted that there would be barricades placed between the playground and where there would be dogs. Mayor Pennington stated that "this is a matter of enforcement." Solicitor Racunas said that it was not necessary, but that Council could amend the Agenda to suspend the rules of the park. He also stated that Council could suspend the rules of the park in another meeting prior to the September event, if they desired.

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.

- b. Motion to Ratify the Online Vote to Approve the Change Order for Exterior Library Maintenance Provided by Arkadia Contracting Inc. for Repairs to the Building's Box Gutters at a Cost of \$3,000. (04.106.100)

Results of Online Vote:

Moved: President Cerminara

Second: Mr. McKelvey

Aye: Mr. McKelvey, Ms. Edmondson, Mr. McAfee, Ms. Sloane, Ms. Miller, Ms. Denton, Mr. Stuncard, President Cerminara. Motion Carried, 8-0 with no abstentions.

Moved: Mr. Stuncard

Second: Ms. Denton

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0

- c. Motion to Reimburse Paul Cusick Up to \$250 for Expenses Related to the Memorial Day Observance in Bayne Park on Monday, May 29, 2023. (01.451.268)

Moved: Mr. Stuncard

Second: Mr. McKelvey

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.

- d. Motion to Adopt Resolution 05-23, Authorizing and Directing the Hiring of a Pool Manager and Part-Time Pool Staff for the 2023 Season.

Moved: Mr. Stuncard

Second: Ms. Edmondson

Discussion: Mr. McKelvey asked if the names on the hiring resolution comprised the entire staff. Ms. Contes responded that she had recently received calls from others interested in lifeguard positions and that she anticipated that there would be at least one additional hiring resolution.

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.

- Mr. McKelvey asked about the status of summer concerts. Mr. Stuncard responded that the budget is limited, but that there will be some concerts and that Mark Helbling is working on securing bands.

Public Safety Committee:

- a. Motion to Enter into a One-Year Agreement with Granicus, LLC for Short-Term Rental Monitoring at a Cost of \$4,050. (01.413.316)

Moved: President Pro Tem Sloan

Second: Mr. Hrynda

Discussion: Ms. Denton asked if the Borough is sure that this program can pay for itself. Mr. McAfee replied that it possibly could, adding that the program will help the Borough to determine how many short-term rentals operate in the Borough.

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried 8-0.

- b. Motion to Permit the Closure of S. Bryant Avenue from Taylor Alley to Lincoln Avenue for a Block Party on July 22, 2023 from 1:00-5:00 pm.

Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane

Second: Mr. Hrynda

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.

- c. Motion to Adopt Resolution 06-23, Authorizing and Directing the Hiring of Beatrice Griffin as a School Crossing Guard, Effective Immediately.
Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane Second: Mr. Hrynda
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- d. Motion to Adopt the Addendum to the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Borough of Bellevue and the Association of Bellevue Police, Effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026.
Moved: President Pro Tem Sloane Second: Ms. Edmondson
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.

Public Works Committee:

- a. Motion to Accept the Quote from Climatech for HVAC Line Testing in the Bellevue Borough Building at a Cost of \$2,067.50. (01.409.373)
Moved: Ms. Edmondson Second: Mr. McKelvey
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- b. Motion to Authorize the DPW Superintendent to Issue Requests for Proposals for Installation of a Fuel Pump Dispensing System at the Public Works Garage.
Moved: Ms. Edmondson Second: Ms. Denton
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- c. Motion to Authorize the DPW Superintendent to Offer for Sale Unused Equipment, Including, but Not Limited To, a Broom Attachment, Toolbox, and Tractor.
Moved: Ms. Edmondson Second: Mr. McKelvey
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- d. Motion to Authorize the Borough Display of the Rainbow Pride Flag During the Month of June.
Moved: Ms. Edmondson Second: Ms. Denton
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.
- e. Motion to Authorize the Purchase of a Sewer Line Camera and a GIS Line Locator from Pow-R Mole Sales, LLC, at a cost of \$12,910.00 and \$11,690.00, Respectively. (08.428.721)
Moved: Ms. Edmondson Second: Ms. Sloane
All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried, 8-0.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Public Contribution on Non-Agenda Items

- Dwayne Sharlow, 118 Gay Lane: Stated that his is the only house on the street and that there is now flooding in his basement "because someone dug up the asphalt." Also stated that speeding is a problem on his street and that he had called the Borough on numerous occasions about different subject, including the ones previously stated, as well as when he'd asked "not to salt against" his house because his house "is corroding." Mr. Kelly responded that he would speak with El Grande.
- Danielle Graham Robinson from Representative Kinkead's office reported that the Shred Event in Ross Township was their most successful to date, and that a Women's Resource Fair is scheduled for July 29. Ms. Graham Robinson also reported that a Senior Fair will take place in October, with the actual date to be determined. She is also available at the Bellevue Farmers Market with information, including applications for seniors to obtain PRT Connect Cards.

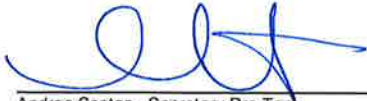
Executive Session

Council did not adjourn into Executive Session.

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Pro Tem Sloane adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

ATTEST



Andrea Contes, Secretary Pro Tem

Amanda Sloane, Council President Pro Tem