



Borough of Bellevue

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Borough Pre-Council Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2024, 7:00 pm

Municipal Building

2nd Floor Council Chambers

Call to Order

President Cerminara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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, Ms. Sloane, Ms. Mule, Ms. Templeton, Mr. Ellis, Mr. McKelvey, Ms. Denton, and President Cerminara. Absent was Mr. Disney. A quorum was established.

Also, in attendance were Mayor Val Pennington, Chief Sentner, Solicitor Matt Racunas, DAS Jim Kelly, HRG Engineer Dan Barna and Treasure Joe Scioscia.

Public Contribution on Agenda Items

- Joe Sciosia 260 Lincoln Avenue Watch your computers and your emails have seen a lot of spam and sites trying to get into the computer system.
- Mayor Pennington concurred he has received several emails from spam sighted.

Reports

Mayor's Report (written report provided to Council)

- Mayor Pennington had nothing to add to the written report. There were no questions.

Treasurer's Report (written report provided to Council)

- No comments were made, or questions asked.

Financial Reports (written report provided to Council)

- Financial reports Mr McKelvey inquired about the PLIGIT balance Mr. Kelly explained Pligit and how funds move around that account regularly.

DAS Report (written report provided to Council)

- No comments were made, or questions asked.

Library Report (written report provided to Council)

- No comments were made, or questions asked.

Public Works Report (written report provided to with Council)

- Public Works in addition to report guys are wrapping up at Memorial Park restroom.

Code Enforcement Report (written report provided to Council)

- Code President Cerminara verified Kuhns fee not received yet.

Fire Department (written report provided to Council)

- No comments were made, or questions asked.

Police Chief Report

- Chief, wanted to advise the public of the existence of David Lewis Stewart, a registered sexually violent predator convicted of two sexual charges in 2015, and residing at 36 S Harrison, Apartment 15.

Northwest EMS Report (written report provided to Council)

- Mr Kelly reported 60 calls, 29 E0-E1 QRS calls.

Engineer's Report (written report provided to Council)

- Mr. Barna. stated West Bellevue contractor to begin next week.

Joint Planning Commission (minutes provided to Council)

- Next meeting Monday Sept 23, JPC will need help putting the RFP together also would like Council to send a list of high priority items for comprehensive plan.
- Ms. Templeton asked best way to communicate priorities, all requests should be sent to Mr. Kelly, and he will forward to Ms. Dingle

Shade Tree Commission

Quaker Valley Council of Governments Report (Executive Director's written report provided to Council)

Committee Reports

Finance Committee; Jodi Cerminara, Chair

1. Motion to Approve Payment of September 10, 2024, Bill List.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second: Ms. Sloane
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.
2. Discussion: Junior Council member.
 - Pres Cerminara, we have one student interested in the program and has submitted an application. We would like to get two if possible and we will be looking to follow the PSAB program.
 - Ms. Templeton asked about safety precautions, Mr Kelly suggested possibly asking for a work permit from the school.
3. Informational: Blood Drive at Borough Building Thursday October 10th 2-7pm.

Parks and Recreation Committee; Jennie Denton, Chair

1. Motion to Authorize HRG to put Bayne retaining wall out for bid.
Moved: Ms. Denton
Second: Ms. Templeton
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.
2. Motion to Advertise for the replacement of part-time Library Assistant at a cost not to exceed \$400.00 from acct 01.406.341.
Moved: Ms. Denton
Second: Ms. Templeton
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.
3. Discussion: Concrete walkway to skate park.
Add to council for approval

Public Safety Committee; Amanda Sloane, Chair

1. Discussion: Forest Avenue emergency demolition property.
 - Discussion to be held during executive session due to current litigation.
2. Discussion: National Night Out rescheduled plans.
 - Chief Sentner is planning . Chief to plan for Sept 21, 2024, noon-2 pm and we will be expecting Life Flight to attend as well.
3. Discussion: Crossing Guard hiring.
 - Have not received any applications please get the word out we need a replacement.

Public Works Committee; Dan McKelvey, Chair

1. Motion to Accept bid from N&N Landscaping to complete base bid option for the Streetscape. phase 6/7.
 - Mr McKelvey expressed concerns over google search negative comments.
 - Mr Barna did talk to owner of company, and he feels they are capable to complete the project professionally and timely.
 - Pres. Cerminara how do we handle concerns, Mr Barna suggest we move forward with his recommendation to contract with N&N.
 - Ms. Sloane asked what the negatives were Google listed poor business practices not of any concrete work.

Moved: Mr. McKelvey

Second: Ms. Denton

Nay: Mr. McKelvey

Motion carried, 7-1.

2. Motion to Accept low bid from Noralco Corporation for the completion of the N. Jackson Alley retaining wall project.
 - Pres. Cerminara asked about residents needing to move plants and or landscaping. Mr Kelly advised contractor is required to restore everything in like kind. Any resident is more than welcome to move anything on their own if they desire.

Moved: Mr. McKelvey

Second: Ms. Denton

All voted in favor of the motion.

Motion carried, 8-0.

3. Informational: Alcosan tour September 14, 2024, 9am to 4pm.
4. Informational: Joint Fall Dumpster Day with Avalon will be October 12, 2024, 8am to Noon.

Unfinished Business:

- There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

- There was no new business.

Public Contribution on Non-Agenda Items (limit of 2 minutes)

- Wayne Smith 128 Lincoln Ave Concerned with people running the red lights in the Borough. Jefferson Avenue and Grant Avenue not stopping at stop signs.
- There is a motorcycle/dirt bike running around the Borough.
- Light at Kendall and R65 is not working properly, people going down Center Avenue the wrong direction.
- Dionisa Dingler 85 S Bryant Avenue asked if we had any updates on the street study and if we had any plans in place to address the study.

Executive Session: 7:46pm

- Discussion Forest Avenue vacant property.
- Discussion was held in reference to replacing the DPW Superintendent

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Cerminara adjourned the meeting at 8:18p.m.

ATTEST


James Kelly Director of Administrative Services


Jodi Cerminara, Council President

