



Borough of Bellevue

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Borough Council Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2024, 7:00 pm
Municipal Building
2nd Floor Council Chambers

Call to Order:

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

Also in attendance were Mayor Val Pennington, DAS Pro Tem Andrea Contes, Treasurer Joe Scioscia, and Solicitor Pro Tem Jeff Ries.

Public Contribution on Agenda Items:

Lynn Tennant Heffley, 206 N. Jackson Avenue. She asked for an update on the alley project and was advised that she should remove plants she was concerned about and that the office would be in touch as to exact dates of work. She stated that she had previously spoken with Mr. Kelly, but she still had concerns and wanted to be sure that her yard would be returned to its previous condition.

Jeremy Thieroff, 72 N. Jackson Avenue. He was at the meeting on behalf of Bellevue Forward. He provided information about the group and stated that their objectives were economic development and community growth. He provided information about the local business decorating contest and the house decorating competition. He said that Tamara from 202 Tacos will run the children's parade. Bellevue Forward wants to open the street after the parade and then close it back down in the evening with a longer road closure. President Cerminara asked him to attend the next Public Safety Committee Meeting; he said he planned to attend.

Junior Councilperson

Motion to Adopt Resolution 33-24 appointing Phineas Pennington as Junior Councilperson.

Moved: President Cerminara

Second: Ms. Denton

All present voted in favor.

Motion carried, 7-0.

Mayor Pennington administered the Oath of Office to Phineas Pennington.

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 August 7, 2024 Finance and Public Safety Committee Meetings.
- b. Motion to Accept Minutes of the September 3, 2024 Parks & Recreation and Public Works Committee Meetings.

- c. Motion to Accept Minutes of the September 10, 2024 Pre-Council Meeting.
- d. Motion to Accept Minutes of the August 27, 2024 Council Meeting.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second: Mr. McKelvey
All present voted in favor.
Motion carried, 7-0.

Agenda Items

Finance Committee:

- a. Motion to Approve Payment of the September 24, 2024 Bill List.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second: Mr. McKelvey
All present voted in favor.
Motion carried, 7-0.
- b. Motion to Adopt Resolution 31-24, Providing for the Refund of Real Estate Taxes as a Result of Changes in Assessed Values and/or Overpayments.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second: Ms. Sloane
All present voted in favor.
Motion carried, 7-0.
- c. Motion to Adopt Resolution 32-24, Setting the 2025 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Police, Firefighters, Non-Uniform Employee Pension Plans, and the Non-Uniform Defined Contribution Pension Plan.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second:
Ms. Templeton asked for a brief explanation of the process, which President Cerminara provided.
All present voted in favor.
Motion carried, 7-0.

Parks and Recreation Committee:

- Motion to Authorize Team Fishel to install concrete sidewalk and purchase a bench from Keystone Ridge at Bayne Park skate park at a cost not to exceed \$9,000.00 from account 01.430.740.
Moved: Ms. Denton
Second: Ms. Templeton
All present voted in favor.
Motion carried, 7-0.

Public Safety Committee

- Motion to Approve Street Banner Application for Bona Fide Bellevue's House Tour on October 19, 2024.
Moved: Ms. Sloane
Second: Mr. McKelvey
All present voted in favor.
Motion carried, 7-0.

Public Works Committee

- QVCOG Hard to Recycle event rescheduled for October 26, 2024 from 9am to 1pm. Mr. McKelvey provided an update regarding the event, saying that individuals needed to be registered and that there is a fee involved. The office was directed to add information to social media.

Unfinished Business:

- Ms. Templeton asked whether there was an update about the traffic study. President Cerminara advised that the Chief had said that he was planning to complete that soon.

New Business:

- Halloween Activities: The parade will begin at noon and it will end in Bayne Park. President Cerminara indicated that they would discuss the block party in Committee.

Public Contribution on Non-Agenda Items:

- Joe Scioscia, 260 Lincoln Avenue. He stated that his niece alerted him to the presence of another rattlesnake and said that we should inform the public that rattlesnakes are clearly breeding in Memorial Park.

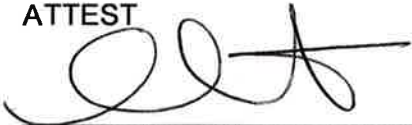
Executive Session:

No executive session.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, President Cerminara adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

ATTEST



Andrea Contes Pro Tem Director of Administrative Services/Secretary



Jodi Cerminara, Council President

