



Borough of Bellevue

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Borough Pre-Council Meeting Minutes
October 8, 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. Disney, Mr. McKelvey, Ms. Denton, and President Cerminara. Absent was Mr. Ellis. A quorum was established.

Also in attendance were Mayor Val Pennington, Solicitor Matt Racunas, and DAS Jim Kelly.

Public Contribution on Agenda Items

- No public contribution was given.

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)

- Mr. McKelvey asked for clarification on PD overtime. Are we fully staffed?
- FD overages are due to grants we have obtained.

DAS Report (written report provided to Council)

- Working with HRG to apply for multiple grants.

Library Report (written report provided to Council)

- A mini art show is currently going on.

Public Works Report (written report provided to with Council)

- Memorial playground equipment has been delivered.
- Mr. McKelvey confirming we are ready for leaf season.

Code Enforcement Report (written report provided to Council)

- No comments were made, or questions asked.

Fire Department (written report provided to Council)

- No comments were made, or questions asked.

Police Chief Report

- Blotter is posted to website.
- Currently applying for grant to upgrade and repair cameras and recorders in the Borough.

Northwest EMS Report

- No report received.

Engineer's Report (written report provided to Council)

- W. Bellevue station phase 1 is near completion.

Joint Planning Commission (minutes provided to Council)

- Meeting October 28th at Avalon Borough Building 7 pm.

Shade Tree Commission

- No Report

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

- Looking for Volunteers to help with the hard to recycle event Oct 26 volunteers get free disposal services up to \$60.
- LGA intern event upcoming we will be looking into options.
- Rt 65 intergovernmental agreement waiting on three municipalities to sign on.

Committee Reports**Finance Committee; Jodi Cerminara, Chair**

1. Motion to Approve Payment of October 8, 2024, Bill List.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second: Mr. Hrynda
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.
2. Motion to Adopt Resolution34-24 For Designation of Agent for FEMA.
Moved: President Cerminara
Second: Mr. Hrynda
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.
3. Discussion: Priority items for the Comprehensive Plan.
 - Current ideas bike lanes and alt transportation.
 - Discussion followed with ideas for the comp plan. Mr Disney would like to hear from community members and council. Please get ideas to Mr. Disney or Mr Kelly ASAP.
 - Ms. Templeton would like to see some pedestrian options for Jacks Run Road and to Memorial Park.
 - Ms. Denton looks at short-term rental options and restrictions.
4. Discussion: 2025 Budget Calendar.
 - Discussion was held for acceptable dates and a calendar will be provided to council for advertisement.

Parks and Recreation Committee; Jennie Denton, Chair

1. Discussion: Memorial Park playground.
 - Everything is in the process for the new playground should all be installed shortly. Would like to see a ribbon cutting of sorts in the spring.
2. Discussion: Memorial Park pool pump repair/replacement.
 - #1 pump needs repaired prior to pool opening and we been advised second pump is on borrowed time.
 - Suggestion is to replace both by B&R pools at a cost of \$28,800.
 - Move to council for approval.

Public Safety Committee; Amanda Sloane, Chair

1. Motion to agree to Bean Thru Highway Occupancy Permit for a one-year trial.
Moved: Ms. Sloane
Second: Mr. McKelvey
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.
2. Discussion: Halloween parade and festivities.
 - Parade will be October 26th at noon ending at Bayne Park for a trunk or treat until approx. 2pm
 - DPW will provide pumpkins and will cook hot dogs from the back of a truck.
 - Trick or treat is Oct 31st, 6-8pm.
3. Discussion: Crossing Guard CBA.
 - We have received a tentative agreement, hopefully we will have it soon for approval.
4. Motion to approve street closure application from Bellevue Forward (Jackson to Fremont).
 - President Cerminara asked if we could withdraw the motion due to the lack of information and size of the request, as well as the short notice.
 - Mr. McKelvey asked that we move forward with a vote.
 - Discussion was had in detail addressing the concerns of a closure of this size and lack of events within the closure.
Moved: Ms. Sloane
Second: Mr. McKelvey
All voted against the motion.
Motion is defeated, 8-0.

Public Works Committee; Dan McKelvey, Chair

1. Discussion: N. Sprague temporary parking.
 - Temporary one-way street closure, as well as angled parking to accommodate the extra parking, during the wall construction is in effect.
 - Notices have been hand delivered to every resident.
2. Informational: Leaf Season is upon us, please be advised leaf pick up will start Monsay October 21st and continue until December 6th, weather permitting.
3. Motion to authorize application for payment number 01 to Piccolomini Development LLC in the amount of \$42,250.11 from acct 08.429.721 for work completed on the West Bellevue Station project.
Moved: Mr. McKelvey
Second: Ms. Denton
All voted in favor of the motion.
Motion carried, 8-0.

Unfinished Business:

- Ms. Templeton asked for an update on the status of the traffic study for N. Harrison and Teece Chief Sentner said he needs a couple of weeks to record and complete Teece Information.

New Business:

- There was no new business.

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

- Jane Braunlich 34 East Roseridge Avenue - is the Borough looking to hire their own engineer or are they looking at one for the whole plan.
Bellevue would have at least three members on the planning committee.
We now have bars where we never did before.
You never zone an entire hillside, which is why Farragut Street is the only place allowed to have an adult facility.

Executive Session:

- DPW staffing Admin Personnel

Adjournment

There being no further business, President Cerminara adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

ATTEST


James Kelly Director of Administrative Services
Jodi Cerminara, Council President