

# City of Beaverton

## Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting

**May 15, 2023**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Ray Nau at 6:00 PM

Roll Call:

Present: Nellie List, Nila Frei, Colleen Reader, Jennifer Harper, Tim Danielak, Christine Gerace

Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Frei, second by Danielak to approve agenda. All voting aye, motion carried.

Public comments: Rev. Karen Blatt handed out the new Chamber Directory. She also spoke on hanging veterans' banners on the light poles. Phil Andrist, fire chief, informed the council of the pancake breakfast on Memorial Day from 8am-11am at the fire hall. He also provided information on raffle tickets for sale with all proceeds from the pancake breakfast and raffle tickets going to the fire station to go towards the Fire Fighters' Association. The Fire Fighters Association purchases life saving equipment. Tom Reif from the Michigan Municipal Cannabis Association asked if council had any interest in cannabis facilities in the City of Beaverton. Reif was informed that the City was not interested at this time.

Motion by Harper, second by Frei to adopt the regular meeting minutes April 17 and special meeting April 25, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried.

Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to approve adding Kelly Wyrembelski to the DDA committee. All voting aye, motion carried
- B. Motion by Danielak, second by Harper to approve offer of Calhoun Campground manager position to Virginia, (Ginny), Wesley. All voting aye, motion carried
- C. Motion by List, second by Frei to approve quote from All Dry for mold abatement at the Calhoun Campground cabin. All voting aye, motion carried
- D. Motion by Danielak, second by Harper to accept transfer of deed for property at the corner of Porter and M-18 from Kelly and James Wyrembelski to the City of Beaverton. Govitz stated that the property may be turned over to the DDA for future development. All voting aye, motion carried

## Reports:

- A. County Commissioner's Report/Karen Moore- There will be a free Open Meetings Act program sponsored by Michigan Works on Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at K of C Hall. The social gathering will start at 6:00pm with the meeting starting at 6:30pm. MMCAA is offering a weatherization program to residents with qualifying income. The August election will have four millages including the Conservation District, Road Commission, MSU Extension and Law Enforcement Public Safety. The broadband application is getting positive feedback but no results yet. County is receiving opioid funds so a task force is dealing with that project. This Saturday, May 20, 2023 will be Thunder on the Strip at the Gladwin Airport.
- B. DPW Report/Pat Stanley– No report
- C. Police Report/Chief Brad Davis – Officer Sean Gerbe stated that they are dealing with the blight issues concerning the weed ordinance.
- D. Mayor's Report/Ray Nau – No report
- E. City Manager's Report – No report
- F. Engineer's Report – No report
- G. Library Use Data Report – Written report provided and in packet

## Ways & Means

Motion by Danielak, second by Harper to approve bills for April 2023 in the amount of \$ 139,000.22. All voting aye, motion carried

## Committee Reports:

- A. Fire Board – Minutes not received yet
- B. Fair Board – No report
- C. Parks & Recreation-Reader reported that the campground is being worked on, the splash pad is open, they are working on goose remediation, fence around splash park helps but geese are still a problem at Ross Lake park, Trail of Two Cities is progressing , Buckeye and River Road are done, one section in between the two needs to be finished, the trail should be at the City limits by approximately the first of August. Oriental Bittersweet, an invasive species, was found at the Gladwin City Park. They will be tearing the park up in some areas for the next few years to clean it up. There will be an informational meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a .5K fundraiser for the trail on July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Police Committee- No report
- E. Personnel Committee – No report
- F. Downtown Development Authority – The SPARKS grant is in process which will connect River Road to Croll Road. A grant from the State of Michigan of up to \$1,000,000 is available. They will be applying for another grant to create a walkway across the bridge.

Communications: A budget workshop was held with Scott Govitz and Julie Shearer presenting and explaining the proposed budget. Nau thanked Govitz and Shearer for their hard work.

Adjournment: Motion by Frei, second by Danielak to adjourn meeting at 7:03 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Janelle Keen

City Clerk