

# City of Beaverton

## Minutes of City Council Meeting

**September 18, 2023**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Ray Nau at 5:00PM

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Tim Danielak

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Frei, second by Harper to approve agenda with amendment to add Item H: Request from Kimberly Hines pertaining to MERS account. All voting aye, motion carried.

Public comments: No comments

Motion by Reader, second by Frei to adopt the regular meeting minutes August 21, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried

Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to adopt resolution 2023-20: Approval to submit CDBG Disaster Planning Grant. List aye, Frei aye, Reader aye, Harper aye, Gerace aye. All voting aye, resolution adopted.
- B. No motion made on the Financial Policies and Procedures. Will be brought back to the October meeting after the council has time to review it.
- C. Motion by Harper, second by Frei to adopt the City of Beaverton FOIA Policy. All voting aye, motion carried.
- D. Motion by List, second by Frei to approve all updated fee changes printed in red on the fee schedule. (Attachment A) All voting aye, motion carried.
- E. Motion by Reader, second by Harper to approve purchase of water testing unit from Blue Book at a cost of approximately \$2,189.14. All voting aye, motion carried.
- F. Motion by Reader, second by Frei to approve DPW employees to build a hydro excavation device with wand with accessories in an amount of no more than \$1,000. All voting aye, motion carried.

- G. Motion by Frei, second by Harper to approve date and time of Halloween trick-or-treating on October 31, 2023 from 6:00pm-8:00pm and each year hereafter. All voting aye, motion carried.
- H. Request from Kimberly Hines to adjust termination date due to extra City work that was done by Hines after her resignation. Her termination date affects her MERS, Municipal Employee's Retirement System, account and she was short of one year of employment by four (4) days. The attorney was consulted and he advised that it was totally up to the council to approve or deny her request. Janelle Keen, City Clerk, discussed the details of the MERS program and the fact that you have to be employed for one (1) year to vested and receive 50% of the funds that the City contributed. MERS would return the remaining 50% to the City. If the request is denied, MERS would return all funds contributed.

Motion by Reader, second by Frei to table the issue until the October meeting to give the council some time to think about their decision. All voting aye, motion carried.

#### Reports:

- A. County Commissioner's Report/Karen Moore – No report
- B. DPW Report/Pat Stanley: Written Report Provided, the water treatment plant will go online as soon as EGLE gives their approval
- C. Police Report/Chief Brad Davis-Written report provided, Davis stated that some people think we should do a FAQ to present information and answer questions about the police safety renewal milage on the ballot. He is waiting to see the ballot to see position of the renewal on the ballot. He emphasized that it is a renewal and would not change the residents' taxes if they vote yes. He would like to submit some questions with answers each week on the City's Facebook page and also put them on our website. He may visit the Beaverton Manor to interact with the residents as a way to familiarize residents with the milage information. Karen Blatt is going to see if a decision has been made on having a "meet the candidates" night.
- D. Mayor's Report/Ray Nau – Nau stated he's been working with Ginny at Calhoun Campground, helping out the DPW, and getting out in the community to interact with residents and answer questions when needed. Nau has also been working alongside Interim City manager Govitz on City projects. Reader stated that it's nice that Mayor Nau is present out in the City. She stated that the residents know who he is, he's seen in the City and he's always available if needed.
- E. - City Manager's Report – No report due to the absence of Govitz, Blatt inquired if the City had received applications for the City Manager position. Nau stated that we have received applications. The personnel committee is going to have a meeting this week to narrow down applicants. We are hoping to have a City Manager by the end of October.
- F. Engineer's Report – No Report
- G. Library Use Date Report - Written report provided

Ways & Means:

Motion by Frei, second by Gerace to approve bills and tax disbursements for July 2023 in the amount of \$729,082.10. All voting aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. Fire Board – No meeting
- B. Fair Board – Gerace stated that the fair board is meeting tomorrow night
- C. Parks and Recreation – Reader stated that the fee schedules were reviewed and updated. Campground is going well. Ginny is doing a good job and is possibly interested in coming back next year. Reader is also on the Trail Task Force and said paving was done last week to Croll Road in Beaverton, 4 foot along the road will be striped for the trail, the Soil Conservation District paid to put a canoe launch in, there are two new benches one of which was donated by the Kiwanis. There is still work to be completed.
- D. Police Committee – No report
- E. Personnel Committee – No report
- F. Downtown Development Authority – Nau reported that David Shears resignation from the DDA was accepted,
- G.

Communications: Frei inquired about the starting time for the homecoming parade, the parade starts at 5:00pm and leaves from the old elementary school. Reader would like to start the October meeting at 5:00pm to accommodate council members' families due to sports activities.

Motion by Frei, second by Reader to move the October 16<sup>th</sup> council meeting to

Adjournment: Motion by Danielak, second by Reader to adjourn meeting at 7:36pm, all voting aye, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janelle Keen  
City Clerk