

## Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting

**June 21, 2022**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Ray Nau at 6PM

Roll Call:

Present: Joe Andrist, Nellie List, Nila Frei, Colleen Reader, Jennifer Harper

Absent: [Kevin Neville](#)

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Frei; Second by Harper, all ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Local resident commented about difficulty in understanding rates on her water bill.

Bill Church stated that a visitor to our Ross Lake Park commented on how nice our park is and to keep up the good work.

Ken Roberts, Director of the Gladwin County Office of Veterans Affairs explained the Veterans Banner Project and requested that the City of Beaverton allow recognition banners on our city light poles as done in the City of Gladwin. Each banner is sponsored by family and/or friends for a fee of \$200. The banners would be installed by city DPW staff on existing banner hangers.

Motion by Andrist, second by Harper to amend the agenda to add consideration of Veterans Banner Program. All ayes, motion carried. (See item J.)

City Employee Recognition:

Kimberly Hines highlighted the good work of the temporary staff that helped our DPW maintain our parks and city properties for the three weeks prior to summer student workers being available. Certificates of appreciation were awarded to Bill Church, Mark Setzke, Rose Stanley, and Jim Tkaczyk.

Matt Lang and the MiWorks counselor from the high school explained the JMG program that offers students valuable work experience through MiWorks. The new seasonal workers in attendance were introduced and welcomed on board. The City will benefit from nine student workers for the summer at no cost to the City.

Public Hearing: FY 2023 Budget review.

Motion by Frei, second by Harper to go into Public Hearing at 6:29PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion of budget; hydrodam insurance claim status. Bob Balzer is working with the city to extend the Consumers Energy Hydrodam revenue contract.

Motion by Frei, second by Harper to close the public hearing. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Reader, second by Harper to adopt the regular meeting minutes of May 25, 2022. All ayes, motion carried.

## Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Andrist, second by Harper to approve Resolution 2022-8: Approval of FY 22 Budget Amendments. Andrist aye, List aye, Harper aye, Frei aye, Reader aye. All voting aye, Resolution adopted.
- B. Motion by Harper, second by Frei to approve Resolution 2022-9: Approval of the FY 23 Budget. Andrist aye, List aye, Harper aye, Frei aye, Reader aye. All voting aye, Resolution adopted.
- C. Motion by Frei, second by Harper to approve Resolution 2022-10: Approval to accept the \$20,000 Gerstacker Grant for Police Department furniture. Andrist aye, List aye, Harper aye, Frei aye, Reader aye. All voting aye, Resolution adopted.
- D. Motion by List, second by Andrist to approve Resolution 2022-11: Approval to accept the \$10,000 Gladwin Community Foundation Grant for PD furniture. Andrist aye, List aye, Harper aye, Frei aye, Reader aye. All voting aye, Resolution adopted.
- E. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to approve Resolution 2022-12: Approval to accept Michigan Department of Treasury Grant for PD equipment. Andrist aye, List aye, Harper aye, Frei aye, Reader aye. All voting aye, Resolution adopted.
- F. Motion by Harper, second by Frei to approve Pay App for J.R. Heineman in the amount of \$326,849.08 and MLR in the amount of \$2,000. All ayes, motion carried.
- G. Motion by Harper, second by Andrist to consider new MESSA Health, Dental and Vision insurance to take effect July 1, 2022. All ayes, motion carried.
- H. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to consider \$350 contribution to each employee participating in the 1400/2800 HSA MESSA Health Plan on July 1, October 1, January 1, and April 1 of each year the plan is in force. All ayes, motion carried.
- I. Motion by Frei, second by Harper to consider purchases by Jim Barta for a HACH HQ2200 Rugged Kit for an amount of \$3,294.84 to be in compliance with Sewer Sampling for EGLE. All ayes, motion carried.
- J. Motion by List, second by Frei to accept the Banners for Veterans Program. All ayes, motion carried.

## Reports:

- A. County Commissioner's Report/Rick Grove/Karen Moore: New Gladwin County Prosecutor is Norm Gage. June 23rd will be a memorial for Tom Evans. Gladwin County Fair will be July 12 - 16th. There will be a semi-truck pull event on July 14th. Employee picnic July 27th at Gladwin City Park. ARPA funds meeting this Friday.
- B. DPW Report/Robert Sabish: Waiting for AXIOM wiring; got approval for SCATA system; additional grounding may be needed; camera issues - we're using Chief Davis' camera for now. [Colleen Reader](#) asked whether the lift station seals are leaking? Robert says they're about 5 years old.
- C. Police report: written report included.
- D. Mayor's Report: written report included. [Ray Nau](#) discussed the workamper family that would like to stay at Calhoun for just the cost of their camp site in exchange for working for a month. They'll be here in mid-July. [Nila Frei](#) encouraged a background and references check. She also has concerns about the condition of Tonkin Street potholes for the upcoming Firecracker 5k race. Robert suggested cold patch as a temporary fix. Discussion regarding lawn overgrowth at several houses. Kimberly is working with Tim

Mickler (Beaverton Township Supervisor) and Officer Gerbe to possibly team up to address blight issues. Doug Piggott is working on the Blight Ordinance update. We need grant money for lawn mowers- 3 out of 4 of the city's mowers are down.

- E. City Manager's Report: Written report included.
- F. Engineer's Report - no report
- G. Library Use Data Report

**Ways & Means:**

Motion by Frei, second by Harper to pay bills for May 2022 in the amount of \$149,468.62.  
All ayes, motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Fire Board - Attendees of the last Fire Board meeting were treated to rides in the new ladder truck. There will be training for firefighters on the aerial equipment over the next two weeks. June 30th will be Family Fun night at the Fire Station.
- B. Fair Board - no report
- C. Parks & Recreation - Youth Football Sports Group (Calhoun Park Proposed Project) are waiting to find out how much grant money they will be getting. Farmers Market starts this Thursday from 3-7PM. Will be located farther away from the Splash Park going forward for the sake of safety and parking congestion. Tents to be set up in the West parking lot area.
- D. Police Committee - No Report
- E. Personnel Committee - No Report
- F. Downtown Development Authority - Kimberly has been meeting with Matt Lang, Scott Govitz & Joe Frost regarding DDA/City owned properties. They would like to have a real estate professional come in and market city properties. Manning building is costing the city more than the rent being collected. Lou Stornello of T&J Auto would like to buy the building. A double net lease may be a possibility.

**Communications:**

**Executive Session:**

Motion by Andrist, second by Reader to go into Executive Session at 8:20PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Andrist, second by Harper to adjourn the Executive Session and the meeting at 9:29PM. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Campbell, Community Development Coordinator  
(Acting on behalf of City Clerk Janelle Keen.)