

City of Beaverton

Minutes of City Council Meeting

October 16, 2023

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

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Tim Danielak, Jennifer Harper

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Frei, second by Reader to approve agenda with amendments: Add items G: City Manager Contract H: MERS, Kimberly Hines I: SRO Contracts. Resolution in packet numbered incorrectly. Should be Resolution 2023-24. Correction noted. All voting aye, motion carried

Public comments: Sara Diezinski representing RESD presented information on placing signs promoting reading around the City. She also stated they would like to put up a library of books for residents to use. Request will be referred to Parks and Recs committee at the next meeting on November 6, 2023. Karen Blatt shared a piece of wisdom she came across and thought was interesting.

Motion by List, second by Frei to adopt the minutes from the special meeting September 12, regular meeting September 18 and special meeting September 28, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried

Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Frei, second by Reader to adopt resolution 2023-21, Transfer of Delinquent Utility Bills to Tax Roll. List aye, Frei aye, Reader aye, Gerace aye. All voting aye, resolution adopted.
- B. Motion by Frei, second by Reader to adopt resolution 2023-22, Financial Policies and Procedures. List aye, Frei aye, Reader aye, Gerace aye. All voting aye, resolution adopted.
- C. Motion by Gerace, second by Frei to adopt resolution 2023-23, Amend Urban Cooperation Agreement/Economic Development Project-Riverside Drive. List aye, Frei aye, Reader aye, Gerace aye. All voting aye, resolution adopted.

- D. Motion by Reader, second by Frei to adopt resolution 2023-24: Opt Out of Cost Sharing Requirements as set forth in Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act. List aye, Frei aye, Reader aye, Gerace aye. All voting aye, resolution adopted.
- E. Motion by Reader, second by Frei to approve Assurance Agreement for DCBG Grant for Planning Documents Related to Flood Mitigation. All voting aye, motion carried.
- F. Motion by Gerace, second by Reader to approve updated fee schedule. All voting aye, motion carried.
- G. Motion by Frei, second by Reader to approve manager contract with updates: Starting date November 2, 2023; section 4B, 6 months of annual salary changed to 3 months of annual salary; paid time off changed to 82.5 hours of PTO on start date, 82.5 added after 6 months of employment, 220 hours of PTO at the start of the second year of employment with no payment of unused days. Roll call vote, List aye, Frei aye, Reader aye, Gerace aye. All voting aye, motion carried.
- H. Motion by List, second by Frei to keep resignation date for Kimberly Hines as previously noted on January 9, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried.
- I. Motion by Reader, second by Gerace to approve updated SRO contract with Beaverton Schools due to increased cost of insurance premium. All voting aye, motion carried.

Reports:

- A. County Commissioner's Report/Karen Moore – Moore advised City to check their ordinances for fees and if they are daily or a one-time fee, the Rotary uses the CTE students to do their sign installation, she stated that it might be a good idea to use those students to put in the free library signs that Diezinski spoke about earlier in the meeting, Consumers Energy announced a \$10,000 grant to purchase bleachers for Thunder on the Strip and will be transportable to use around the County, the County does not currently have an administrator, they are focusing on the millage which will be on the ballot, there's a meet and greet at 6:30 at the BAC with the mayoral candidates along with Sheriff Shea and Chief Davis, she encouraged everyone if they were in the Chamber Directory to include more detailed information. Frei: When is the Chamber Directory update? If you are a member dues need to be paid by October.
- B. DPW Report/Pat Stanley: Written report provided
- C. Police Report/Chief Brad Davis-Written report provided
- D. Mayor's Report/Ray Nau – No report
- E. City Manager's Report – City Manager has been hired and slated to start at the City on November 2nd, meetings will be set up with her and the staff to bring her up to speed on current City activity, Govitz encouraged meeting attendees to make a call to the State Legislature and or Michigan Municipal League, the state

has put some bills through the committee that would allow the state to oversee permitting for alternative energy sources in a community which would take it away from local government, this would allow someone in Lansing to decide where to put a solar or wind farm in our community, new trees were planted on the street today from the Consumers Grant, we will pay for those and get reimbursed from Consumers, there has been a request for a newsletter, we are working on getting one completed, we will put it on the website and on social media, we hope to hear within 2 weeks about the 10.7 million CDBG grant that was submitted, Fleiss & Vandenbrink indicated that the low score they submitted to the state for the City was incorrect, they went back to the state and made an inquiry and they expect new information to come in, the Overland Group, (Roman Motor/Dollar General project), is extending their contract for right of purchase per the agreement, we need to go to the ZBA and then back to the Planning Commission to make sure that all the questionable items on the drawing are taken care of with approval from both bodies and then there should be a check for the City in February with a start date sometime in May, the water treatment plant is ready to start up next week as soon as we get an approval from EGLE, Tobacco Township should be passing their resolution at their November meeting for Riverside Drive to complete the de-annexation, approximately \$300,000 CDBG planning grant is in process. Reader: How many hours are you willing to give to work with the new manager? Govitz will meet with her to discuss turning over the manager's duties.

- F. Engineer's Report – No Report
- G. Library Use Date Report - Written report provided

Council Member Jennifer Harper joined the meeting at 5:53pm.

Ways & Means:

Motion by Harper, second by Frei to approve bills and tax disbursements for September 2023 in the amount of \$641,130.96. All voting aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. Fire Board – Written report provided
- B. Fair Board – Gerace stated that \$1,500 was spent for sewer system repairs at the campground, they are looking for directors, a new carnival has been secured for next year's fair, the income was up this year and the carnivals are based on the previous years income, the fair was well attended and they will have another meeting tomorrow night
- C. Parks and Recreation – Reader reported that there is a boy scout student that will work on the cabin to go toward his Eagle Badge, we had a good turnout of campers this season, Reader said she should have an updated report soon
- D. Police Committee – No report
- E. Personnel Committee – No report
- F. Downtown Development Authority – Govitz stated that we are still working on the acquisition of the parking lot purchase from Huntington Bank, we have

not received the paperwork back from them yet, the DDA meeting has been changed from October 9th to October 23rd.

Communications: Nau reported that we have a resident that has a problem with their septic system being plugged, the ordinance says that the homeowner is responsible for the connection from the house to the property line, Nau wants everyone to be aware of the wording that they are responsible to the lateral so it is easier to understand. Josh Seago from APM Mosquito Control gave a report on the work they did this year. Gerace inquired if they tested for West Nile virus. They collect samples later in the year and send them to Flint to be tested for several diseases including West Nile.

Adjournment: Motion by Frei, second by Reader to adjourn meeting at 6:03pm, all voting aye, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janelle Keen
City Clerk