

City of Beaverton

Minutes of Special City Council Meeting,

October 3, 2023

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

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 Harper to approve agenda as written. All voting aye motion carried.

Public Comment: ~~Christine~~ No public comments

Motion by Harper, second by Frei to open public hearing pertaining to submittal of CDBG Grant at 6:01pm. All voting aye, motion carried

Interim City Manager Scott Govitz presented information on the CDBG Grant to be submitted. We have submitted for part of the project in the amount of 10.7 million for infrastructures in the City. This includes improvements to Ross Lake, Tonkin Street, Brown Street, Riverside Drive and hydro dam. We are hoping to hear back at the end of this month if we will be receiving the funds. At the last meeting about this grant, it was stated that this grant was in process and it was submitted for 90 million with 70 million available and they would follow up with communities that applied within a couple of weeks. On the planning side, all plans have to fall back to hazard mitigation and resilience. The following quotes for plans were submitted. MLR Engineering for storm sewer management projects with a \$65,000 budget. The others are all dam related. Geosyntec for dam safety surveillance and monitoring plan, \$40,000, updated inflow design flood/probable maximum flood analysis, \$20,000, updated dam breach and consequence estimate, \$70,000 total, supporting technical information document, \$50,000, potential failure modes analysis, \$50,000, emergency action plan update, \$30,000 for a storm sewer study. We will have to submit two because they are two separate items and may be able to submit more. Govitz would like to see us submit one for a housing study and building codes related. There's a lot of MSHDA funds available for housing studies. We will have several documents that need to be passed in the next few meetings to submit for these grants. We've already approved the resolution to apply.

-Karen Blatt: What would the housing study include? Single family homes, multi-family homes and senior housing.

-Colleen Reader: Is match money required? There is zero match money needed.

-Tim Danielak: Is there a timeline to submit for these grants? There is no timeline. It's first come first serve. Govitz stated he thinks they will probably grant the majority of ones received through approximately the end of October and the remainder of funds will be moved to the infrastructure side.

-Colleen Reader: Is the Trail of Two Cities included in this? No, there's a separate grant for that.

Motion by Danielak, second by List to close public hearing at 6:08pm. All voting aye, motion carried

Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Harper, second by Danielak to approve submittal of CDBG Grant via the MEDC for Planning Documents related to Flood Mitigation. All voting aye, motion carried.
- B. Motion by Reader, second by Harper to allow Scott Govitz, Julie Shearer and Tracey Connelly to draft a new City Manager contract and with candidate's approval, present at the next meeting on October 16, 2023. All voting aye, motion carried.
- C. Information presented by Govitz on contract with Dollar General. (Overland Group) Contract, (purchase agreement), is extended through February 2024. Next steps to be taken: Rowe will review issues that came up at the meeting, then it goes to ZBA for the two variance items, (loading dock and parking), then back to Dollar General for their answer. They then make their decision sometime now through February 2024. We also need a development agreement that once the property is purchased, it has to be developed within a certain timeframe. A date needs to be set for the ZBA meeting which has to be at least 18 days after a notice goes out to residents/businesses within 300 feet of property. Frei: Was anything done with the discussion in the zoning board meeting about the timing of trucks unloading being the same time the school traffic is present? Harper: The truck will be inside the parking lot and not impeding traffic.
- D. Motion by Danielak, second by Harper to approve RFP for new assessor. Return date will have to be adjusted before posting. Current assessor Bernie Weaver has reviewed the RFP for accuracy. All voting aye, motion carried.
- E. Motion by Danielak, second by List to approve keeping Calhoun Campground open until the end of October. Campground Manager hours will be reduced to 20 hours/week. All voting aye, motion carried.

Communications:

- Rock/lawnmower incident at Ross Lake Park has been sent back to insurance
- Consumers Power Grant for several thousand dollars will be written for the park
- Matter of chickens in the City is still being worked on, might want to consider separate ordinance for chickens
- FEMA Grant for hydro repairs has been completed, project has been stalled due to possibly receiving match money from CDBG Grant discussed earlier
- DDA is looking at the Christmas lights that are placed around town
- Zoning may be involved in decision about residents living in campers on their property
- Riverside Drive project is in CDBG Grant for water and sewer, a resolution will be presented at the next meeting for de-annexation of one parcel of property to be returned to Tobacco Township.
- FERC letter was received about flow issue, Geosyntec supplied information/reply to FERC
- We were chosen to receive SPARKS grant for approximately 1 million dollars, for walkway coming into City from Croll Road around curve on Knox Road and tying into the boat launch. There are some other options that Govitz is checking into involving installing sidewalks for less money, we may be able to use some of the funds on other projects such as the Farmer's Market. Christine Gerace: Will this tie into the Trail of Two Cities? Yes
- Still waiting on results from EGLE on water treatment plant. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony in November
- Karen Blatt: Is there any funds to take down and rebuild the bathhouse at Ross Lake Park? Not at this time. Possibility of using Consumers Energy grant to restore building for storage or rebuilt as a bathhouse
- There may be a Safe Communities grant available through the school together with the SPARKS grant to put sidewalks in the community. Looking at a possibility of installing a sidewalk from trailer park to Tonkin Street and also to Calhoun
- Gerace is not receiving emails on city email address
- Govitz stated that he has tried to stay clear of the hiring process

- Tim Danielak: Recently there was a painting business in town, Bard Painting, owned by a resident who recently passed away due to an auto accident. Ashley Bard has coached softball and has a daughter in the school system. Some of the students she coached approached Danielak about placing a bench with a plaque on it in front of the previous painting business in honor of Ashley. Business was located on Brown Street across from laundromat. There may be a bench available to place in front of business for the students to put the plaque on.
- Nila Frei: Neighbors are requesting that streetlights be installed on Lakeview Drive and Lakeview Court due to the streets being dark. Someone will look into it.

Adjournment: Motion by Gerace, second by Frei to adjourn meeting at 6:57pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Janelle Keen
City Clerk