

# City of Beaverton

## **Minutes of City Council Meeting February 12, 2024**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Nila Frei at 6:10PM

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Tim Danielak

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

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

Public comments: County Commissioner Karen Moore stated that she is re-running for commissioner in the upcoming elections. She is Beaverton's current representative on the County Board of Commissioners along with Tobacco and Buckeye Townships. Nila Frei clarified the empty DDA seat must be filled by someone who is a resident of the City of Beaverton and also the DDA District. You can see a map of the DDA District at City Hall. You must also be a registered voter. Dick Andrist questioned if a DDA member could be a business owner. Frei commented that the business owner DDA member seats are already filled at this time. Scott Govitz is the chairman of the DDA and questions can be addressed to him.

Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to accept with regret the resignation of Mayor James Case as of January 31, 2024. All voting aye, motion carried

Motion by Harper, second by Gerace to accept letters of interest for the mayoral position through February 20, 2024 at 5:00pm. A special council meeting will be held February 21, 2024 to review letters. If a qualified candidate for the mayoral position is not voted on and approved by the majority of the City Council, a special election will take place. All voting aye, motion carried

- B. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to approve Resolution 2024-1: Performance Resolution for Municipalities. List, Frei, Reader, Harper, Gerace all voting aye, resolution adopted
- C. Motion by Gerace, second by Reader to approve Resolution 2024-2: Agreement w/Geosyntec for On-call services. List, Frei, Reader, Harper, Gerace all voting aye, resolution adopted

- D. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to approve Resolution 2024-3: Deficit Elimination Plan. List, Frei, Reader, Harper, Gerace all voting aye, resolution adopted
- E. Motion by Reader, second by List to table revised PD section of fee schedule for one meeting to review updates. All voting aye, motion approved

Reports:

- A. County Commissioner's Report/Karen Moore: Four Lakes Task Force meeting with Gladwin and Midland County was held, the Legislative Breakfast was this past Friday, Moore thanked Carrie Will from the Chamber for hosting it, the speaker was John Moolenaar, the Task Force are still working on the assessment issues and the \$217,000,000 deficit on this Four Lakes total project, Christine Gerace has information on the Gladwin County Community Builders meeting this Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 2:30pm at K of C Hall.
- B. DPW Report/Pat Stanley: Written report provided, they are working on the well that needs repaired
- C. Police Report/Chief Brad Davis: Written report provided. Davis attended the Chiefs conference in Grand Rapids, the officers had active \_\_\_\_\_ training in Gladwin along with their officers
- D. Mayor's Report: No report
- E. City Manager Report/Shannon Sirpilla: Written report submitted, Sirpilla went over the information on her report that was submitted
- F. Engineer's Report: No Report provided
- G. Library Use Date Report: No report provided

Ways & Means:

Motion by Harper, second by Gerace to approve bills and tax disbursements for January 2024 in the amount of \$349,856.54. All voting aye, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. Fire Board – Written report provided but not included in packet - the Fire Board renewed their agreements with the City of Beaverton, Tobacco Twp and Beaverton Twp, they changed the segment that said a pumper would remain in Beaverton City at all times if it wasn't on call, it's not possible or feasible because the fire hall is a short distance down the road and that's where they store their equipment
- B. Fair Board – Gerace stated the fair board does not have much activity at this time, they would be starting to meet in the next couple of months
- C. Parks and Recreation – Reader said the golf cart needs fixed and they are working on the finances of Calhoun Campground, they are looking for a manager for the Farmer's Market, Reader met with the Trail of Two Cities group, the trail is now to the City Limits at Knox and Croll roads.
- D. Police Committee – No report
- E. Personnel Committee – No report

- F. Downtown Development Authority – Gerace stated that they received a report from the engineer today, Beaverton is asking for almost \$1,000,000 to do the connection from Knox/Croll road to the City, we should know by September/October if we receive the funds, the SPARKS grant will be used for the corner of Porter and M18, it will enhance the look of the City

Communications: Rev. Karen Blatt stated the Helping Hands Mission is sponsoring the BABA meeting on February 14<sup>th</sup> at the BAC at 12:00pm. She presented information on the meeting and what she would be sharing with the group.

Adjournment: Motion by Harper, second by List to adjourn meeting at 7:18pm. All voting aye, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janelle Keen  
City Clerk