

City of Beaverton

Minutes of City Council Meeting
January 13, 2025

Meeting called to order by Mayor Raymond Nau at 6:00 PM

City Clerk Janelle Keen swore in re-elected council member Colleen Reader

Roll Call:

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

Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Frei, second by Harper to approve agenda with the following amendments: Item F: Subject changed to Resolution 2025-4: Work with Gladwin to submit for a 5-year Parks & Rec Planning Grant. All voting aye, motion carried

Public Comments: Judy Kebler questioned the mosquito control millage-Sirpilla gave explanation on mosquito control contract with APM

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion by Harper, second Frei to approve minutes as presented from Regular Meeting December 16, 2024. All voting aye, motion carried.

Business Agenda Items:

- A. Motion by Burgess, second by Harper to approve audit for FY 24. All voting aye, motion carried
- B. Motion by Harper, second by Burgess to approve Resolution 2025-1: Performance Resolution for Municipalities. All voting aye by roll call, Resolution adopted
- C. Motion by Frei, second by Harper to approve Resolution 2025-2: Deficit Elimination Plan. All voting aye by roll call, Resolution adopted
- D. Motion by Harper, second by Burgess to approve Resolution 2025-3: Approval of Annual Municipal Code of Ethics. All voting aye by roll call, Resolution adopted
- E. Motion by Burgess, second by Frei to approve purchase of sewer lagoon blower and repair kit for a cost of \$5,749.06. All voting aye, motion carried
- F. Motion by Harper, second by Reader to approve Resolution 2025-4: Work with Gladwin County to submit for a 5-year Parks & Rec Plan Grant. All voting aye by roll call, Resolution adopted
- G. Motion by Harper, second by List to approve updated committee appointments with an amendment to change Tiffany Burgess from a Trail of Two Cities member to an alternate member. All voting aye, motion carried

Reports:

- A. County Commission's Report/Karen Moore: 2 new commissioners were elected, Moore is once again Chairperson of the County Commission Board, EDC has an Economic Development and Michigan Works position that needs to be filled, the next Legislative Breakfast is on February 14th, pertaining to the FLTF, last week the Court of Appeals ruled in favor of the County, they

stated the assessment roll was valid, BABA annual meeting is Wednesday evening at 5:30pm at the BT, snowmobile races will be at the Gladwin County fairgrounds this Saturday and again February 8th and 22nd

- B. DPW Report/Pat Stanley: Written report provided, Stanley stated that we should be able to build our own asphalt hot patcher, we have previously been borrowing one from Gladwin, Stanley and Sirpilla will be meeting with Fleiss & Vandenbrink to discuss 10.3 million dollar grant for water infrastructure to make sure we agree on all the water mains that need to be replaced, new water tower will probably still be located in the industrial park, Sirpilla requested a housing be build over the wellhead, the next budget will include options for cleaning up the goose droppings at Ross Lake Park, Frei stated that the iron removal plant is working really well
- C. Police Report/Chief Brad Davis: Written report provided, 26 kids were involved with Shop with a Hero this year, the resident that housed chickens took the situation to a jury trial and was found guilty of all charges, she was fined and must remove all the chickens by May 5th
- D. Mayor's Report/Mayor Ray Nau: Written report provided, the trees downtown are going to be replaced with smaller, easier to maintain trees
- E. City Manager Report/Shannon Sirpilla: Written report provided, she's been checking on cost of lamppost banners, Sirpilla provided information on things that have been accomplished this past year, pavilion B at Ross Lake Park needs a new roof, audit has been completed and sent in to USDA, the curbside recycling idea was turned down by residents per a survey, we will bring back the recycling bin but will have 8 pulls/year instead of 5 and the cost will be the same, no word yet on insurance coverage on the damaged guard rail near the dam, we will have to update or replace some of the Cities computers, grants are still on track, RFP went out for police pavilion, Gerace commented that the ordinance meetings need to start up again
- F. Dir. Of Downtown/Comm. Development/Matt Lang: Written report provided, working on modifying our website
- G. Library Use Date Report: Printed report submitted
- H. Gladwin County Conservation District/Christine Gerace: Gerace reviewed the activities that are planned for the 1st annual canoe race, she passed out flyers of the itinerary, activities on Saturday afternoon will be concentrated in Beaverton, next meeting will be January 23rd

Ways & Means: Motion by Harper, second by Frei to approve bills for December: \$ 216,885.77

Accounts payable \$ 151,606.26 Tax disbursements \$ 65,279.51

Committee Reports:

- A. Fire Board – Written report submitted
- B. Fair Board – No report
- C. Parks and Recreation – work is continuing to get heat into the bathhouse at Calhoun Campground, Beth Overfield is coming back to oversee Farmer's Market, it will still be every Friday with an opening date of May 9th
- D. Police Committee – No report
- E. Personal Committee – Met with Matt Lang, code of ethics policy was signed, confirmed that the City was meeting his needs, all was going well with his new position
- F. Downtown Development Authority – Harper stated there was approval to be a part of the Michigan State University Planning Program which will help align us with the MEDC Community

redevelopment status, the cost of the MSU Urban and Regional Planning program for a City planning study will be \$3,500 which will be covered by the DDA

Communications: Reader stated that BJ Oard has accepted the position of chairman for the Trail Task Force

Adjournment: Motion by Burgess, second by Harper to adjourn meeting at 7:20PM. All voting aye, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janelle Keen-Burgoyne
City Clerk