

MINUTES

CITY OF BEVERLY

JANUARY 14, 2004

CALL TO ORDER. The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Beverly was called to order at 7:30pm, by Council President Bancroft on Tuesday, December 30, 2003, under the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act c. 231 P.C. "Sunshine Law". Notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building. All members present saluted the flag of the United States of America.

OATH OF OFFICE. Mayor Lowden swore in Mildred Snyder for a three-year term to city council.

ROLL CALL.

PRESENT: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Phillips, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Setikas, Council President Robert Bancroft, Mayor Robert Lowden, Director of Public Safety Michael Morton, Solicitor William Kearns and Municipal Clerk/Administrator Barbara Sheipe.

ABSENT: Dr. Cook.

MINUTES. Mrs. Richards made a motion to approve the minutes of December 30, 2003. Mr. Wolbert second the motion. All members present approve the motion.

PUBLIC SAFETY-

Beverly Haaf-Riverbank discussed that the flyers for the Neighborhood Watch was a good idea.

COORESPONDENCE.

Council President Bancroft read the letter from the Democratic Committee with the nomination of three names for the unexpired term to replace Lana Wilmer until the next general election. The names are: John Newsome, John Schoen, William Elliott, Jr.

Mrs. Richards made a motion to appoint John Newsome to fill the unexpired term of Lana Wilmer until the election in November 2004. Mr. Wolbert second the motion. All members present voted in favor. Mr. Newsome will be sworn in at the next council meeting.

Council President Bancroft read the letter from the Democratic Committee with the nomination of three names for the unexpired term to replace George Hahn until the end of December 2004. The names are: Scott Williams. John Schoen, William Elliott, Jr.

Mrs. Richards made a motion to appoint Scott Williams to fill the unexpired term of George Hahn until December 31, 2004. Ms. Snyder second the motion. All members present were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

Resolution No 2004-10, Resolution of the City of Beverly Adopting 2004 Temporary Budget. The resolution was read by title.

Mrs. Richards made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2004-10, Ms. Snyder second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Phillips, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Setikas, and Council President Bancroft.

NAYES: None.

Resolution No. 2004-11, Resolution Authorizing Contract With The County Of Burlington, Solid Waste. The resolution was read by title.

Mrs. Richards made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2004-11, Mr. Wolbert second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Phillips, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Setikas, and Council President Bancroft.

NAYES: None.

Resolution No. 2004-12, Resolution Authorizing Agreements For Professional Services. The resolution was read by title.

Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2004-12, Mrs. Richards second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Phillips, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Setikas, and Council President Bancroft.

NAYES: None.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT. Nothing.

MAYOR'S REPORT.

Mayor Lowden appointed Ned Heron as alternate no #2 to the planning board.

COUNCIL'S REPORT.

Mr. Wolbert discussed that he attended a short meeting with Doris Sasso and other employees and members of the public to discuss the COAH/RCA program. Also that the public works is ready for the snowstorm. Mr. Wolbert also informed council that he was investigating volume buying for the city.

Ms. Phillips thanks everyone for the donations of the coats. The coats will be going to Catholic Charities.

Ms. Snyder discussed that she was staying on council and was glad to be back.

Council President Bancroft reminded everyone that the meetings are now held at 7:30pm.

PUBLIC SESSION.

John Borden discussed the salary level of the RCA's and that it appeared to be that the employees being paid by the program were receiving between \$104,000 and \$105,000. There are a lot of ordinances to amend additional stipends for the RCA's and it does not appear to match figures. Mr. Borden inquired if the temporary budget was ¼ of the annual budget.

John Haaf-Riverbank thanked everyone for the meeting with Doris Sasso and that he was still digesting the information.

No one else from the public wishing to be heard, the public portion was closed.

Executive Session.

PAYMENT OF BILLS Mrs. Richards made a motion to approve the bills, Ms. Phillips seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Phillips, Ms. Snyder, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Setikas, and Council President Bancroft.

NAYES: None.

Mrs. Richards made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Phillips seconded the motion. All members present were in favor.

Submitted by,
Barbara A. Sheipe RMC
Municipal Clerk