

## MINUTES

CITY OF BEVERLY

MARCH 14, 2006

**CALL TO ORDER.** The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Beverly was called to order at 7:00pm, by President Bancroft on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, 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.

### **ROLL CALL.**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Kinniebrew, Mrs. Setikas, Mr. Newsome, Mr. Krzykalski, Council President Bancroft, Mayor Wetherill, Director of Public Safety Mike Morton, Solicitor William Kearns and Barbara Sheipe, clerk/administrator.

**ABSENT:** Ms. Gillette, Dr. Cook and Mr. Robertson.

**MINUTES.** Mr. Wolbert made a motion to approve the minutes of February 28, 2006 and March 6, 2006. Mr. Newsome second the motion. All members present voted in favor.

### **COORESPONDENCE.**

- A. Mayor Wetherill read a letter of resignation from Joseph Robinson the tax assessor, resigning as of March 31, 2006 due to health reasons. City Council will begin interviews to replace Mr. Robinson.
- B. Mayor Wetherill informed everyone that the NJ American Water Company is holding a meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 8am at the Delran Water Plant to discuss their need for a rate increase.
- C. Mayor Wetherill read into the record a Resolution from the Burlington County JIF honoring Nancy Richards as the fund commissioner. The resolution is attached and made part of the minutes.

### **OLD BUSINESS.**

A. Public Hearing on 2006 Municipal Budget. Council President Bancroft explained that city council could not adopt the budget this evening due to not receiving approval from the state on the budget. Council President Bancroft opened the meeting to the public. Mr. Haaf-Riverbank requested a copy of the budget. Mrs. Sheipe informed him that they were available in the city clerk's office. No one else wished to be heard.

**NEW BUSINESS** Item A through D will be enacted as a single motion needing no discussion. Any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda. All Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the official minutes.

- A. Resolution No. 2006-33, Resolution of the City of Beverly Authorizing Entry Into A Subordination Agreement With Respect to 403 Wheatley Avenue, Beverly.
- B. Resolution No. 2006-34, Resolution of the City of Beverly Establishment Committee for Beverly/Edgewater Park Transit Oriented Development Neighborhood Planning Study.
- C. Resolution N. 2006-35, Resolution Awarding A Handicapped Space. (142 Church Street).
- D. Resolution No. 206-36, Resolution of the City of Beverly For A Regional Coordination Grant.

Ms. Kinniebrew inquired as to how Willingboro Township became the lead agency. Ms. Sheipe explained that Willingboro has the staff and ability to handle all of the necessary paperwork and meetings for the grant. Willingboro, Beverly, Delanco and Edgewater Park worked on a previous shared services agreement for trash collection.

Mr. Newsome inquired if a doctor's note was submitted with the request for handicapped parking? Ms. Sheipe explained that a doctor's note was given and also a copy of his handicapped card. Mr. Krzykalski inquired if the property had a driveway. There is only off street parking available for this property.

Mr. Wolbert made a motion to approve Item A through D on the consent agenda, Ms. Kinniebrew second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Kinniebrew, Mrs. Setikas, Mr. Newsome, Mr. Krzykalski and Council President Bancroft.

NAYES: None.

Payment of Bills, Mr. Newsome made a motion to approve the bills, Mr. Wolbert second the motion. Council President Bancroft inquired about the bills for the police vehicles. Director Morton explained that bills were for new tires and new brakes. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Wolbert, Ms. Kinniebrew, Mrs. Setikas, Mr. Newsome, Mr. Krzykalski and Council President Bancroft.

NAYES: None.

## **SOLICITORS REPORT.**

### **MAYORS REPORT.**

Mayor Wetherill reported that she, Bob Bancroft, Mike Morton, Dan Schoen and Barbara Sheipe attended an emergency management with Edgewater Park that was sponsored by the Burlington County Emergency Management and Alfred Desjardins the city's emergency management coordinator. The program discussed the communications needed and personnel needed for the city and the township to be prepare for emergencies such as hurricanes.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY.**

Resident- inquired as to why there was no bus service on a particular day for the school children. Council President Bancroft explained that he should inquire at the school. Resident said that the school told him to ask the city. Council President Bancroft explained that to the best of knowledge the bus company was shut down temporarily by the Division of Motor Vehicle due to infractions of the buses and the drivers. The City had nothing to do with it and the school should of informed the parents. Wolfington Bus Company will be filing in the routes until the matter is resolved.

**Ms. Dreher-Laurel Street discussed that one of her clients who lives on Warren Street would like to know why there are so many trucks on Warren Street and can the city do something about them. Director Morton explained that Warren Street is a county road and a truck route. They are allowed to use Warren Street.**

**COUNCIL REPORTS.**

**Ms. Setikas discussed that she is constantly picking up glass from the tree in front of the bank, due to vehicles hitting the tree with their mirrors.**

**PUBLIC SESSION.**

**Mr. Borden inquired what the mileage was on the Explorer? Mr. Wolbert replied that it is about \$10,400. Mr. Borden inquired as to why so much wear and tear? Director Morton explained that the tires that came on the vehicles when purchased did not hold up as well on the wear and tear. The police department is replacing them with better Firestone tires and they should last longer. Mr. Borden discussed that the original specs under state contract should have the type of tire listed that would hold up to the constant wear and tear of a police vehicle. Mr. Wolbert explained that the vehicles are bought as a police package and that the first set of tires on the package are not rated for high mileage.**

**Mrs. Roe-Cramer discussed that the field on Cherry Street the Cosden site needs to be cleaned up, there are large stumps from the storms still there. Council President Bancroft explained that the city does not own the land and that the sewerage authority usually helps clean up the site. Mrs. Roe inquired if the corner can be used for parking. Council President Bancroft explained that the EPA is attempting to clean up the remaining area of the site and that it can only at this time be used for a park.**

**Mr. Haaf-Riverbank inquired as to why the school board meeting was closed? Council President Bancroft discussed that no reason was given to the city and that Mr. Haaf should check with the school. Mr. Haaf inquired as to how many members can be on the school board? Council President Bancroft explained that the number had been decrease to five and that they would like to increase the number again.**

**Mr. Borden inquired as to when the next meeting would be? Mayor Wetherill will check with the school board.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION. Mrs. Setikas made a motion to have an executive session for the discussion of contracts. Mr.. Newsome second the motion. All members voted in favor.**

**ADJOURNMENT. Mrs. Setikas made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Wolbert second the motion. All members voted in favor.**

**Submitted by,**

**Barbara A. Sheipe RMC  
Municipal Clerk**