

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013
7:00PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was Called to Order at 7PM by Council President Bancroft.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Mr. Bancroft read the following statement into the Minutes: *In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, this is to announce that Adequate Notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner: On January 8, 2013, advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the Official Bulletin Board in the City Hall, was emailed to THE BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES for publication and emailed to the CAMDEN COURIER POST for advise, was filed with the Municipal Clerk, and was mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice. The proceedings of all meetings are electronically and manually recorded, and the Minutes will be on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.*

FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Bancroft led those present in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor: Randy H. Miller
Council President: Robert H. Bancroft
Council Members:
Luis M. Crespo
Robert D. Thibault
Engineer: William H. Kirchner (Attendance not required.)
Municipal Clerk: Donna F. Snyder, RMC/CMR/CPM
Administrator/Director of Public Safety: Richard A. Wolbert
Solicitor: Brian Guest - Parker, McCay, P.A.

Absent:

Council Members: Lawrence F. Carlbon; Robert E. Lowden, Jr.

MINUTES

The Regular Session Minutes from Council's 9/10/13 meeting were Approved as submitted with a Motion by Crespo; Second by Thibault. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried. The 9/10/13 Executive Session Minutes will be presented for approval at Council's 10/8/13 meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Mr. Crespo for Consent Agenda for Resolutions 2013-155 through and including Resolution 2013-160:

RESOLUTION 2013-155-C - CONSENT AGENDA

For approval of Resolutions 2013-155 through and including 2013-160 by "Consent Agenda". Consent Agenda items are not individually discussed. A Resolution approving the "Consent Agenda" (which may or may not include the reading of the list of items appearing on the Consent Agenda) is Moved, Seconded, and Voted upon as one item by the Governing Body. If any discussion is requested on same, it is removed from the "Consent Agenda" to the Regular Agenda.

Second by Thibault. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-155

A Resolution cancelling taxes due Veteran's Status on Block 623.01/Lot 9.

RESOLUTION 2013-156

A Resolution cancelling taxes due City purchase of property known as Block 947/Lot 1 and Block 948/Lot 1 (former NJ American Water Company property).

RESOLUTION 2013-157

A Resolution cancelling taxes due Veteran's Status on Block 417/Lot 8.

RESOLUTION 2013-158

A Resolution refunding overpaid taxes on Block 1382/Lot 9.

RESOLUTION 2013-159

A Resolution authorizing payout to Curb-Con, Inc. in the amount of \$101,114.05 at this time, meeting Pay Estimate Number 1/Change Order Number 1.

RESOLUTION 2013-160

A Resolution approving Mercantile License Renewal for the 2013-14 licensing year to Lakshmi Anna Inc., T/A "Chex Cashing Services", 307 Warren Street, Beverly, NJ 08010, all fees being paid and conditioned upon required prior approvals.

Motion to Approve Resolutions 2013-155 through and including 2013-160 by Thibault; Second by Crespo. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS - None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Change for Council's November meeting dates due League of Municipalities. Council agreed to change the November Council meeting dates back to the regular dates of Tuesday, November 12 and 26, same time and place. Ms. Snyder will advertise this change and post same.

Administrator Wolbert gave an update on the "Best Practices" Inventory currently in the completion stage. Council will receive a copy of the completed inventory at their October 8, 2013 meeting, prior to State submission.

BILL LISTS

The September 23, 2013 Bills List was reviewed with a Motion to Approve as Submitted by Thibault; Second by Crespo. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - None at this time.

(Note that all Correspondence will be handled/filed by and in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.)

COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor - Nothing at this time.

Council

Mr. Thibault advised that good weather is predicted for Community Day this Saturday, and that there will be very good Vendor participation.

Administrator/Public Safety Director

Mr. Wolbert reviewed his 9/24/13 informational correspondence to Council regarding Municipal Surplus and Surplus Policy (see attached) relative to the requirements for attaining and then maintaining the City's future financial solvency.

As Public Safety Director, Mr. Wolbert advised that he has been meeting with Delanco and the City Engineer regarding the Dietz & Watson issue. The most aggressive clean-up is being done on the weekend. Major odor control is now in progress.

Professionals - Nothing at this time.

Clerk

Ms. Snyder advised of the availability of Risk Management materials: "Management of Special Events" and "Community Safety Leadership" for Council Members and Committee Members to assist with insight for future City events. Copies will be available in the Clerk's Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Please state your name and address clearly for the record.

Public Comment was had by Mary Ellen Knudson; Dale Thompson, Ron Paice, and Amy Bent. Discussion topics included: Clarification of "Surplus"; Update on lawsuit issues; Clarification on the City's Curfew Ordinance; Thank you to Dietz & Watson for their update letters to residents; Update on Parks Grants and Basketball Court relocation status; Update on RCA availability of funds; Update on Recodification.

There being no further comments, the Public Comment session was closed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - There was no Executive Session.

Resolution 2013- :

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Beverly to hold Executive Session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, permitting the exclusion of the Public from a meeting in certain circumstances which the Governing Body deem now exist:

- Attorney Client Privilege**
- Contractual Matters**
- Current and/or Possible Litigation**
- Personnel Matters**
- Review of Executive Session Minutes**

ACTION TAKEN AFTER EXECUTIVE: YES NO N/A

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Motion to Adjourn at 7:35PM was made by Crespo; Second by Thibault. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna F. Snyder, RMC/CMR/CPM
Municipal Clerk

Date

APPROVED:

Randy H. Miller
Mayor

Date