

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY

MAY 26, 2015

7:00PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was Called to Order at 7:03PM 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 9, 2015 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

All Present

Mayor: Randy H. Miller

Council President: Robert H. Bancroft

Council Members:

Lawrence F. Carlbom

Robert E. Lowden, Jr.

Mark A. Schwedes

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 M. Guest, Parker McCay

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The May 12, 2015 Regular and Executive Session Minutes were Approved as submitted with a Motion by Schwedes; Second by Lowden. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There was no comment at this time.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE 2015-7

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING PROPERTY MAINTENANCE IN THE CITY OF BEVERLY. Said Ordinance was opened to Public Comment. There was no comment. Motion to Adopt by Thibault; Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE 2015-8

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM OF ANNUAL REGISTRATION FOR AND MAINTENANCE OF VACANT PROPERTIES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS. Said Ordinance was opened to Public Comment. Mary Ellen Knudson asked how this Ordinance would be policed. The Administrator advised that the Code Enforcement Officer would be monitoring same and that Penalties could be placed up to \$2,500 per day. Motion to Adopt by Thibault; Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE 2015-06 (Held from Council's 5/12/15 Meeting)

BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE CITY OF BEVERLY, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$675,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF TH CITY OF BEVERLY, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$87,400; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING.

Said Ordinance will come before Council for Second Reading, Public Hearing, and Adoption at their meeting to be held on June 9, 2015 at 7PM at City Hall, 446 Broad Street, Beverly, NJ 08010 at which place and time all wishing to be heard on same will be so heard. Copies of said Ordinance will be available at the Office of the Municipal Clerk at the above address during regular business hours, M-F, 9AM-5PM. Motion to Approve upon Introduction by Lowden; Second by Schwedes. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2015-100

A Resolution authorizing a request to the Burlington County Bridge Commission for their assistance in the preparation of the **2015 "COPS" Application** to hire and retain Police Officers.

Motion to Approve by Thibault; Second by Carlbon. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Environmental Resolutions, Inc.: Presentation by Harry Fox of ERI of plans for the Concession Stand and Pavilion at Lauinger Field.

Environmental Resolutions, Inc.: Review by City Engineer Bill Kirchner of report relative to Beverly City Elementary School Traffic Concerns.

Discussion was had and clarifications made relative to the aforementioned issues.

RESOLUTION 2015-102

A Resolution authorizing Environmental Resolution to go forward with improvements presented at this meeting for the Concession Stand at the Beverly School, per the attached documentation/drawing. Motion to Approve by Lowden; Second by Thibault. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Carlbon advised that he would like to purchase Trash Receptacles for Clean Communities.

RESOLUTION 2015-101

Resolution authorizing the purchase of Trash Receptacles for Clean Communities: 12 Receptacles from Budd's Pools in the total amount of \$\$5,574.60 from the Clean Communities line item, and upon certification by the Beverly City CFO.

MOTION - to Approve by Carlbon; Second by Thibault. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

BILL LIST

Approval of the May 26, 2015 Bill List. The May 26, 2015 Bill List was approved as submitted with a Motion to Approve by Lowden; Second by Thibault. Roll Call Vote - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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

Correspondence was read by the Mayor:

1. Submission of the Beverly City Fire District No. 1 Report of Audit for the year Ended December 31, 2014.

2. Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders: Invitation to the June 13, 2015 Opening and Awards Presentation: Preserved: Farmland Visions Art Exhibit at Smithville Park at 4:30PM.
3. Request for Proclamation from Council recognizing 150 years of service by the Monument Cemetery. Note that this will be done for Council's June 9, 2015 meeting.

COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor

Mayor Miller advised that he received a letter of complaint from Mr. Paul Bruni who would be voicing his concerns during Public Comment.

The Mayor also congratulated the Parade Committee for a job well-done for the 2015 Beverly/Edgewater Park Memorial Day Parade.

Council

Mr. Thibault thanked the City for having the County do the street sweeping prior to the Parade as the streets looked great. He also thanked all Volunteers for the Parade and all those that worked on the float for the Youth Association. He reminded all that the Fishing Derby is Saturday, June 13. He additionally stated that we are making progress with our ordinances. He also said that we are waiting for a reply from our Insurance regarding storage space in the three-car garage at the Waterfront.

Mr. Carlbon advised that the Farmer's Market would be operational this year and that more Vendors are needed. Additionally, the Community Garden is going well, and the kids were out with their shovels working on same. Also, the Water Company will be doing a line out to the garden for us.

Mr. Schwedes advised that a fun day was had by all at the Parade. Additionally, he thanked ERI for making the two presentations with clarifications this evening.

Mr. Lowden stated that the Memorial Day Parade works a lot better when there are no politics involved. He also stated that there have been many good comments regarding the Bank coming down and the new things happening in town.

Administrator/Public Safety Director

Administrator Wolbert gave a thank you to Bill and Harry from ERI for their presentations this evening. He stated that he had the Exit Interview with the Auditor and that the Tax Office recommendations have already been corrected. Additionally, we are very busy in the office. Donna is going out for hip surgery and Elaine will be coming back in to sub. In the near future we will be looking to hire office help along with a seasonal Public Works driver, as Dan will be going out for surgery, but will be able to do light duty. Mr. Wolbert also advised all that one of our Crossing Guards, Robin Bell, passed away. She had been a

Crossing Guard with us for the last five years. All information regarding the Repast will be posted.

Professionals - Nothing at this time.

Municipal Clerk - Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Please state your name and address clearly for the record.

Public Comment was had at this time by Julia Bryan, Paul Bruni, Kelly Milliner, Paula Tiexiera, John Haaf, and Dale Thompson. Topics discussed included City Website content; Clarification on the Resolution for the COPS Grant; An issue involving a Beverly City Council Member supposedly misrepresenting himself to a Landscaper doing spraying in another town; review of various recent Police incidents and action the City is taking re improvements for the future; Thank you to the Parade Committee and all who helped make the Parade a success this year; Concerns regarding the City doing something about the Liquor Store in town relative to imposing limitations and the loitering going on along with the blocking of sidewalks there.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 8:40PM

RESOLUTION 2015-103

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 9:00PM was made by Thibault; Second by Carlbon. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna F. Snyder, RMC/CMR/CPM

Date

