**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY**

**November 8, 2018**

**7:30PM**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER Council** President Bancroft opened the meeting at 7:30PM.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**

*“*The Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met. Notice of this meeting, Resolution 2018-1, was posted on the Official Bulletin Board in City Hall, published in The Burlington County Times on January 11, 2018, emailed to the Camden Courier Post, filed with the Municipal Clerk, on January 11, 2018 and was mailed to all persons requesting and paying for same*.”*

Read by Council President Bancroft

**FLAG SALUTE**

Council President Bancroft led in the Flag Salute.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

Mayor: Randy H. Miller

Council Members:

Robert H. Bancroft

Robert E. Lowden, Jr.

Mark A. Schwedes

Robert D. Thibault

Administrator/Public Safety Director: Richard Wolbert

Acting Municipal Clerk: Sheri L Medina

Solicitor: Thomas J Coleman, Esq.

**Absent:** Grace M. Heron

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 23, 2018 Minutes

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes as presented for October 23, 2018, Second by Councilman Schwedes.**

Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.

**Motion carried**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. **John Haaf**, Riverbank Road, concerning the Ordinance 2018-07, is the City giving back money.

Mr. Wolbert stated that this Ordinance is just to cancel the funds so it can be re- appropriated elsewhere next year.

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to close public comment, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.**

**LETTERS OF COMMENDATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS**

**ORDINANCES**

Presented to Officer Kelly and Officer Wagner by Mr. Wolbert and the Mayor, for their outstanding work with the investigation of 231 Broad Street and the arrest of four individuals due to drug related offenses.

**ORDINANCE 2018-07- AN ORDINANCE CANCELING CERTAIN FUNDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES PROVIDED FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS TOTALING $18,700.00.**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-07, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION 2018-123 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES ON A PROPERTY QUALIFYING FOR A VETERANS PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR 1048 NICHOLS AVE.**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-123, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays –None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION 2018- 124 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A SMALL CITIES AGREEMENT AND SPECIAL NEEDS WAIVER BETWEEN THE OWNERS OF 646 MANOR ROAD, BLOCK 842, LOT 1.06, AND BEVERLY CITY.**

**Councilman Lowden made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-124, Seconded by Councilman Thibault.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays –None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION 2018-125 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SPECIAL NEEDS WAIVER FOR 626 MANOR ROAD AND 528 CRAMER AVE, FOR ELIGIBILITY INTO THE CITY OF BEVERLY’S SMALL CITIES REHABILITATION PROGRAM.**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-125, Seconded by Councilman Lowden.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays –None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-126 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ESTABLISHING A LIEN FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CHARGES DUE TO THE CITY FOR 408 WHEATLEY AVE.**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-126, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-127 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ESTABLISHING A LIEN FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CHARGES DUE TO THE CITY FOR 535 LOCUST STREET.**

Councilman Thibault stated that he was glad to see this happening because there are a few properties that have been neglected by the mortgage companies.

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-127, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-128 RESOLUTION OF DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE FOR 28 CHURCH STREET.**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-128, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-129 RESOLUTION OF DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE FOR 28 CHURCH STREET.**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-129, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**RESOLUTION 2018-130 RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER OF 2018 BUDGET APPROPRIATION.**

**Councilman Lowden made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-130, Seconded by Councilman Thibault.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**Motion carried**

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Best Practices**

Mr. Wolbert explained that the Best Practices is a yearly process. A few of the questions have been added but the CFO and he went through it. The City did not lose any aid this year. The Best Practices suggest that new policies are created. This is to be filed Monday November 12, 2018

**BILL LIST**

Bill list for November 8, 2018

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to approve the Bill list for November 8, 2018 bill list, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Ayes – Lowden, Schwedes, Thibault, and Bancroft. Nays – None. Abstained - None. Absent- Heron.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter from DOT announcing the applications for the NJDOT Fiscal Year 2019 Local Freight Fund Grant.

**Read by the Mayor**

**COMMENTS**

Mayor

**The Mayor** stated that he is glad to see the political period over. Hopefully now the Country can come today and work as one.

**Councilman Lowden** stated that 800 people voted in Beverly on Tuesday, hopefully that number would continue to grow. Welcome to the new Public Works Supervisor. Councilman Lowden stated that he is glad to see the work on Manor Road.

**Councilman Schwedes** also welcomed the new Public Works Supervisor. Glad that the election is over also.

**Councilman Thibault** also welcomed the new Public Works Supervisor. Congratulations to everyone who won the election. The Community Events Committee is working with The Methodist Church on the Tree Lighting that will be held on December 8th.There will be refreshments after the lighting at the Hope Hose firehouse on Broad Street.

Administrator/Public Safety Director

**Mr. Wolbert** stated that the project for the HVAC system is moving along and hope to be done by the end of the month. There have been some small changes.

Both police vehicles are having issues. Should be repaired by next week.

Professionals- Mr. Coleman had nothing at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Beverly Haaf, Riverbank Road, Mrs. Haaf stated that the new sign is up in front of the library. In addition, the hours for the library are going to be extended.

2. Ronald Paice, Broad Street, welcomed Mike Haws to Beverly as the Public works Supervisor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilman Thibault made a motion to adjourn at 8:20, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.**

**Motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.**