

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY

November 12, 2019

7:30 p.m.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

“The Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met. Notice of this meeting, Resolution 2019-1, was posted on the Official Bulletin Board in City Hall, published in The Burlington County Times on January 9, 2019, emailed to the Camden Courier Post, filed with the Municipal Clerk on January 9, 2019 and was mailed to all persons requesting and paying for same.”

Read by Council President Bancroft

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor: Randy H. Miller

Council Members:

Robert H. Bancroft

Grace M. Heron

Robert E. Lowden, Jr.

Mark A. Schwedes

Robert D. Thibault

Administrator/Public Safety Director: Richard Wolbert

Thomas Coleman, Esq.

Municipal Clerk: Sheri L Medina

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 22, 2019 Regular Session and Executive Session minutes.

Councilman Schwedes made a motion to approve the Regular Session and Executive Session Minutes as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

1. John Haaf, 124 Riverbank, questioned the Earle Project, American Asphalt and Sourcewell.

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

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

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2019-13- PUBLIC HEARING - ADOPTING THE DRUG FREE ZONE MAP

Public Comment

No public comment

Councilman Thibault made a motion to close public comment, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Lowden made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-13 as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

Abstained – None

ORDINANCE 2019-14- PUBLIC HEARING - AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A ONE WAY RESTRICTION ON BENTLEY AVE AND TO ESTABLISH A STOP ON CHERRY STREET.

Public Comment

1. Bernadine Williams, 215 Laurel, Is this one way in front of the school?
2. Ronald Paice, Broad Street, will this be down on Bentley by the trucking company?
3. Dan Cannon, Bentley Ave, A cross walk needs to be painted where the children cross to go into the school.
4. Nancy McGee, Bentley Ave, There is a no parking sign missing on Cherry Street.

Councilman Thibault made a motion to close public comment, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-14 as presented, Second by Councilman Schwedes.

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

Abstained - None.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2019-95- APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2, TO THE EARLE COMPANY FOR THE 2017 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-95 as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

Abstained - None.

RESOLUTION 2019-96-2017 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PAY ESTIMATE #3 EARLE ASPHALT COMPANY

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-96 as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

RESOLUTION 2019-110- APPROVING SOURCE WELL AS PURCHASING CO- OP FOR THE CITY OF BEVERLY

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-110 as presented, Second by Councilman Schwedes.

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

RESOLUTION 2019-111-APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1, TO THE AMERICAN ASPHALT FOR THE 2018 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-111 as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

RESOLUTION 2019-112-2018 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PAY ESTIMATE #1AMERICAN ASPHALT COMPANY

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-112 as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

RESOLUTION 2019- 113 -TRANSFER OF 2019 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

Councilman Thibault made a motion to Ordinance 2019-113 as presented, Second by Councilman Lowden.

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

RESOLUTION 2019-114-RESOLUTION RESCIND RESOLUTIONS 2018-57 AND 2018-77 AND AUTHORIZING A NEW AGREEMENT WITH XEROX CORPORATION FOR AN MFP COPIER, PRINTER, FAX AND SCANNER FOR THE BEVERLY MUNICIPAL COURT

Councilman Schwedes made a motion to Ordinance 2019-114 as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Best Practices discussion

Mr. Wolbert explained in their packet is the survey for the Best Practices. This year the City lost a few points but did not lose any funding. There were many un-scored questions. Mr. Wolbert stated they are continuing to work on the suggested items.

Discussion on Authorities and Commissions

Mr. Wolbert stated every year a memo is sent to discuss the appointments for authorities and commissions. The Housing Authority and Sewer Authority have not changed. Councilman Lowden has volunteered to be the liaison for the Fire Commission. The list will be updated and brought before Council.

BILL LIST

Bill list for November 12, 2019

Councilman Schwedes made a motion to approve the bills list as presented, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Notice of hearing for a petition of PSE&G for approval of changes in its electric tax adjustment credit and gas tax adjustment.

Read by the Mayor

COMMENTS

Mayor

Mayor Miller everyone stay warm.

Council

Councilwoman Heron had nothing at this time.

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Councilman Lowden stated he attended the Spoon River Anthology presented by the free library. The trustees did a great job. Hopefully the next presentation will draw more people to come out.

Councilman Thibault gave congratulations to the Mayor and Councilman Schwedes for being re-elected and also to Bernadine Williams to be elected to Council.

Administrator/Public Safety Director

Mr. Wolbert spoke about the Halloween party the night before Halloween. Had a good turnout. Thank you to Mrs. Medina and Councilman Thibault.

Professionals

Mr. Coleman had nothing at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mr. Cannon, 610 Bentley Ave, Mr. Cannon stated he sent a letter to the Mayor explaining he was denied for a handicapped parking space. Mr. Coleman advised Mr. Cannon that an

application need to be filed and should he be denied again he can at that time appeal the decision to Council.

2. John Haaf thanked Mayor and Council for all their hard work. There have been many improvements. Looking forward to the Re-Organization meeting next year.

3. Ron Paice, Broad Street stated he has enjoyed coming to the Council meetings watching Council taking care of business. Mr. Paice thanked Councilman Lowden for his kind words and stated hopefully there will be more events at the library and that some children also get involved.

Councilman Thibault made a motion to close public comment, Second by Councilwoman Heron.

Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Council President reminded the current and new Council members of the JIF Seminar to be held at O'Connor's on December 5, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Thibault made a motion to adjourn at 8:12PM, Seconded by Councilman Schwedes.

Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri L Medina, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk