

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 23, 2015

The regular City Council meeting of Monday, November 23, 2015, began at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Diane Carter, Pastor at St. Paul's United Church of Christ. Council persons present: MR. BAKER, MR. FEUERSTEIN, MRS. HENRY, MR. HILL, MRS. MISSLER, and MR. MILLER.

The minutes of the November 9, 2015 regular Council meeting were presented for approval. Mrs. Henry made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mrs. Missler seconded the motion. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS: None.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Feuerstein stated that a Budget & Finance Committee meeting was held tonight at 7:00 p.m. The temporary budget was discussed.

Mr. Miller stated that an Industrial Development Committee meeting was held just prior to Council meeting regarding the CRA program including the entire city. An ordinance was drafted and will be open for discussion at the next meeting on December 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Hill stated that Jungle Junction is coming along nicely. The equipment is getting cleaned and ready to install. He thanked all the donors and stated that citizens and businesses in the City have been very generous. It will hopefully be done by the end of January.

He also congratulated the high school football team. They finished as regional semifinalists.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Robinson of the **Committee to Grow Bellevue** stated that the Committee purchased new energy-efficient LED lights for Christmas this year. Thanks to the good weather, the Christmas lights and decorations are easy to put up. The large pine tree at Central Park will be lit just prior to the Christmas parade on December 3. The stone planter and light in front of Mr. Wallingford's office is being fixed. All labor and materials hired by the Committee are from local businesses.

President Smith thanked the Committee to Grow Bellevue for all the work they do. If anyone has questions regarding Christmas lights or decorations, Mr. Thornton is present tonight and can talk with anyone after the meeting.

Mrs. Miller of the **Shop Bellevue Committee** stated that Saturday is "Small Business Saturday" sponsored by American Express. Small businesses fuel our economy. They are

hoping that citizens will shop in Bellevue first and then afterwards if they don't find what they need, shop in other towns.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Lora Butz, 2074 County Road 302, inquired if both sides of County Road 302 will have work done along the sides of the road. Parts of it have been done, but they missed her yard. President Smith stated that he will look into it for her.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith stated that Mayor Berkey, Mr. Crosby, and Miss Nascone are excused tonight. He then turned the time over to Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, for tonight's legislation.

LEGISLATION:

Law Director, Mr. Wallingford stated that we have a temporary budget ordinance on the agenda that needs to be passed by the end of the year. We may want to have a second reading tonight.

Ordinance 18-15 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, STATE OF OHIO, DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Feuerstein to suspend the rules and give Ordinance 18-15 its second reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Missler. A vote was taken. All were in favor.

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Before reading Ordinance 19-15, Mr. Wallingford stated that there is a clarification edit being made at the end of Section 1 to make it clear that the provisions of that section are subject to any relevant union contracts. It doesn't change anything, it just clarifies it.

Ordinance 19-15 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE FORMALIZING THAT THE CITY AUDITOR IS THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE AND THAT CERTAIN BARGAINING UNIT AND SUPERVISORY POSITIONS SHALL REMAIN UNDER THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF THE CITY AUDITOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mrs. Missler to suspend the rules and give Ordinance 19-15 its second and third readings by title only. The motion was seconded by Mr. Feuerstein. A vote was taken. Five were in favor. Mr. Miller nay. Motion did not carry.

Ordinance 20-15 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Miller to suspend the rules and give Ordinance 20-15 its second and third readings by title only. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Missler. A vote was taken. All were in favor.

Ordinance 20-15 was given its second and third readings by title only: AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Miller to adopt Ordinance 20-15 and as an emergency. The motion was seconded by Mr. Feuerstein. A vote was taken. Motion passed by the vote 6-0, and as an emergency.

CLOSING REMARKS:

President Smith thanked everyone for coming.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Baker and seconded by Mrs. Missler. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Rhonda R. Soper
Clerk of Council