

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 13, 2016

The regular City Council meeting of June 13, 2016 began at 7:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was observed for the victims and families involved in the tragedy in Orlando over the weekend. Afterward, Pastor Doug Gildenmeister, of Vickery United Methodist Church, offered a prayer. Council persons present: MR. BAKER, MR. FEUERSTEIN, MR. HILL, MR. MILLER, MRS. MISSLER, MISS NASCONE, AND MRS. OMMERT.

The minutes from the regular City Council meeting of May 23, 2016, were presented for approval. Mr. Feuerstein made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Strecker thanked Council for reviewing the ordinances that are on the agenda tonight.

Safety-Service Director, Mr. Lantz, stated that a few of the sinkholes which were problematic have been drilled out. The sinkhole on Enterprise Drive has issues and the City will probably have to rebuild it. He talked with City Engineer, Kevin Scagnetti, and they will schedule to have it taken care of in the next couple of weeks.

Repaving bids are going out in July so sometime in August or September the paving will begin.

The catch basin installation in front of the water treatment plant is done. Repairs are complete on the clarifier and it will return to service tomorrow morning. All catch basins are cleaned in the area where work will begin on the bike trail.

Eric MacMichael, Superintendent of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, is working on a project with field probes which will be completed in a few weeks.

City Auditor, Mr. Smith, stated with reference to the exhibit for Ordinance 11-16, under economic development, they are providing funds in the budget for the second half of the year to employ an Economic Development Director. There will be one health insurance holiday which excess funds can be used, and they will be using funds from other areas. The overall budget will not be impacted at all.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mrs. Missler stated that semi trucks continue to drive on the streets in her area. The previous administration put up signs, but apparently GPS points the drivers down a little segment of Ellis Street. She talked with Kevin Scagnetti and he is going to put larger signs up.

Mr. Hill reminded everyone that there is a big weekend coming up in a couple of weeks. Bellevue Community Days will be held June 24 and 25. Mad River Museum and the Bellevue

Historical Society also have events scheduled for Saturday, June 25. There will be a lot of people in town enjoying these events.

He thanked the Downtown Committee for the beautiful flower arrangements and hanging baskets they placed around the City. They are doing a great job keeping them beautiful. He also thanked the Committee for putting on the Memorial Day parade.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Ryan of the Committee to Grow Bellevue stated that a lot of work is going into keeping the plants watered and she thanked the volunteers. The Open Air markets will begin Thursday, July 28 and again each Thursday until the end of August. There will be concerts afterward.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

William (Randy) Meyers, 455 Lawrence Street, stated he recently noticed a worker using a backhoe digging up some of his property for a driveway for his neighbor. The neighbor came over and asked him to sign some papers which she stated were drawn up by an attorney and gives her rights to the additional property she needs to build the driveway. He didn't sign. He inquired where he can get advice. He and his wife have been discussing selling their own property and they don't want to have problems over the property boundaries. Mr. Wallingford informed him that he may want to hire his own private attorney. He informed Mr. Meyers that there are public records available to look up specific properties and see if proper zoning permits were issued and he cautioned Mr. Meyers not to sign any papers because they can have lasting implications.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith turned the time over to Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, for tonight's legislation.

LEGISLATION:

Ordinance 9-16 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF A FULL-TIME CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, AND FIXING THE SALARY AND BENEFITS FOR THIS POSITION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance 10-16 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO CONTRACT WITH NORWALK CONCRETE INDUSTRIES FOR CERTAIN WORK CONCERNING THE INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC RESTROOMS AT CENTRAL PARK WITHOUT BID UNDER OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 735.051, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Baker to suspend the rules and give Ordinance 10-16 its second and third readings by title only. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hill. A vote was taken. All were in favor.

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Motion was made by Mr. Hill to adopt Ordinance 10-16 and as an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Baker. A vote was taken. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0, and as an emergency.

Ordinance 11-16 was given its first reading: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 PERMANENT APROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3-16, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Baker to suspend the rules and give Ordinance 11-16 its second and third readings by title only. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Missler. A vote was taken. All were in favor.

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Motion was made by Mrs. Missler to adopt Ordinance 11-16 and as an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Hill. A vote was taken. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0, and as an emergency.

Resolution R-5-16 was given its third reading by title only: A RESOLUTION DETERMINING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICE FOR THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Miss Nascone to adopt Resolution R-5-16 and as an emergency. It was seconded by Mr. Feuerstein. A vote was taken. Motion passed by a vote of 7-0, and as an emergency.

CLOSING REMARKS:

Mr. Baker stated that it was a sad event for the City when the Bellevue Gazette recently closed. It was nice having reporters attend Council meetings and it is unfortunate to have the newspaper closed after so many years in business.

President Smith opened the floor for a motion to go into Executive Session. Mr. Miller made the motion and it was seconded by Mrs. Missler. All were in favor. They will return to Council after the session only to adjourn the meeting.

After the Executive Session, 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