

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 1, 2021 - 7:30 p.m.**  
**236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania 16823**  
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The February 1, 2021 virtual meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Council was called to order by Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey at 7:30 p.m. Work Session was canceled.

Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence.

**MEMBERS PRESENT (via Zoom):**

Mr. Randall Brachbill  
Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey  
Mr. Douglas Johnson  
Mr. Jon Eaton  
Mr. Michael Prendergast  
Mayor Tom Wilson  
Ms. Melissa Hombosky  
Ms. Debbie Cleeton  
Ms. Anne Walker  
Ms. Gina Thompson

**OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Mr. Ralph Stewart, Borough Manager  
Sean Weaver, Police Chief

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**Minutes:**

Brachbill moved to approve the minutes. Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Thompson moved to accept the consent agenda. Prendergast seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Written Communications were received by Council. There was correspondence received on the no large vehicle RV parking.

Brachbill moved to approve May 15 or 16, 2021 for the Bellefonte Middle School Spring Performance in Talleyrand Park in the figure eight side. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Johnson moved to approve the pavilion rental from August 2-6, 2021 for Nancy Kohn Missionary. Brachbill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Bellefonte Moose has secured September 4, 2021 for their duck derby. Brachbill moved to approve the event after going through Parks and Rec for recommendation. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The West Lot was requested for a wedding party May 28. This was deferred to streets.

**Oral:** Nothing presented.

**Mayor:** Chief evaluation was discussed as well as community outreach and an advisory board.

**Council President:** Tosti-Vasey reported on the Spring Creek Watershed Commission meeting held on January 20, 2021. She also reported on the Drive Electric Coalition meeting held on January 31, 2021.

**Building and Property:** Nothing presented.

**Finance and Government Performance:** Finance committee meeting was held on January 26, 2021.

Thompson moved to approve the increase in the real estate collector compensation to \$2.50 a bill. This has not been increased since 1985 and this would go into effect in 2022. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tosti-Vasey gave an update on DBI, Inc. memorandum of understanding.

**Parks and Recreation:** Volunteer snow removal was discussed. Council thanked the volunteer for cleaning the waterfront.

**Human Resources:** Eaton reported on the HR meeting on January 28, 2021. Union offer was discussed. The employment vacancies were discussed.

**Safety:** Centre County Mitigation Plan update was discussed by Stewart and Brachbill. Fire Executive meeting was held on January 28, 2021 meeting.

**Water and Sanitation:**

Johnson moved to approve Resolution No. 02012021-01 approving the amendment to the water agreement dated March 19, 1998, as amended. Prendergast seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Household Hazardous Waste collection event has been scheduled for April 30 and May 1, 2021.

**Streets:** Cleeton discussed the large vehicle and RV parking regulations. The public has had concerns about the new regulations.

Cleeton moved to hold further action on large vehicle and RV parking restrictions as pertain to vehicle parked on owner's property pending review of the ordinance. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Possible modification of the ordinance was discussed. Mr. Curt \_\_\_\_\_ gave comment relative to the ordinance regulations.

Changes to the red meter parking on North Allegheny was discussed. This parking is permit parking only. This topic will be further discussed at the committee meeting. Cleeton thanked the public for their feedback.

Operations Manual draft was discussed briefly.

Tosti-Vasey briefly discussed the PennDOT report on the \_\_\_\_\_ issues was in and the comments will be reviewed at the committee meeting.

**Energy and Environmental Conservation:** Prendergast updated Council on the Talleyrand student project. They have proposed some dates for meetings on February 11, 25, March 11, March 25, April 8, and April 22 between 4:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

**Zoning and Planning:** Nothing presented.

**HARB:** Certificate of Appropriateness for Fire Escape on the rear of 114 North Allegheny Street

Johnson moved to approve the fire escape. Cleeton seconded the motion. Motion carried with one nay.

Nuisance Code position will be filled.

**Special Committee Reports:**

Stewart attended the Centre County Tax Collection Committee meeting on January 28, 2021.

Brachbill reported on the Nittany Valley Joint Planning Commission meeting held in January 2021.

The Zion Y work will begin soon.

Johnson reported on the Airport Authority reorganizational meeting held on January 28, 2021. Plane deicing was discussed briefly.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Nothing presented.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission Historical Grants was discussed for the train station roofing and siding. There is a local match requirement.

Prendergast moved to approve preparation of the grant application. Cleeton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Eaton discussed a webinar he attended on preparation of a noise ordinance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Nothing presented.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Brachbill moved to adjourn. Prendergast seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.