

BELLEFONTE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2022- 7:30 p.m.

236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania 16823

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The April 18, 2022, meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Council was called to order by Randy Brachbill at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence for the victims of the shooting in Pittsburgh.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Randall Brachbill
Mr. Douglas Johnson
Ms. Johanna Sedgwick
Mr. Kent Bernier
Ms. Deborah Cleeton
Ms. Rita Purnell
Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey
Mayor Buddy Johnson
Ms. Shawna McKean

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Ralph Stewart, Borough Manager
Mr. Don Holderman, Assistant Borough Manager
Harry Brooks, Code Enforcement Officer
Gina Thompson, HARB Administrator
Sean Weaver, Police Chief

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: PSU Sustainability Expo program correspondence added to the agenda. *Ms. Tosti-Vasey moved to add to the agenda. Ms. Cleeton seconded. Motino carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items)

PUBLIC HEARING: Sign Ordinance

DBI, Inc. updated Council regarding the projects they are working on regarding the image of the business district.

COMMUNICATIONS:

No action was taken.

CONSENT AGENDA: Budget v. Actual was pulled by Brachbill. Minutes were pulled by Tosti-Vasey.

Ms. Sedwick moved to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Cleeton seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes and Financials were discussed.

Ms. Tosti-Vasey moved to table the minutes for the next meeting. Johnson seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Johnson moved to approve the Budget v. Actual. Dann seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Mayor discussed the police report and warned residents that car thefts are more prevalent in the summer months and to lock their vehicles at night. He also did a proclamation for the Watershed Clean-Up Day 2022.

Written reports were received.

Office of Community Affairs:

HARB:

PLANNING COMMISSION: *Mr. Johnson moved to amend the building height from 65 to 75 feet in the water business district. Ms. Dann seconded. Motion carried.*

Final updated sign ordinance was included in the packet. No action taken.

Mr. Johnson moved to approve the plans as revised for the Waterfront project. Ms. Sedgwick seconded. Motion carried.

ZONING: Nothing presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. McKean moved to terminate the special pick-up curbside spaces effective May 2, 2022. Ms. Dann seconded. Motion carried.

Train Station restoration proposal bids were opened.

Ms. Tosti-Vasey moved to allow the train station bids to be reviewed by the administration and select the lowest bidders. Ms. Bernier seconded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: *Mr. Bernier moved to delegate Mr. Johnson and Ms. Dann as voting delegates at the Borough's Association Conference. Ms. Purnell seconded. Motion carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lisa Drobka spoke to Council regarding her short-term rental. Mr. Gary Hoover of the Bellefonte Chamber spoke regarding short-term rentals.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Bernier moved to adjourn. Mr. Johnson seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.