

BELLEFONTE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Special Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
April 2, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.
301 N. Spring Street, Suite 200, Bellefonte, Pennsylvania 16823
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I. CALL TO ORDER - Council President Barbara Dann

The April 2, 2025 special meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Kent Bernier
Mr. Randall Brachbill
Ms. Deborah Cleeton, *Pro Tempore*
Ms. Barbara Dann, *President*
Mr. Douglas Johnson, *Vice President*
Ms. Shawna McKean
Ms. Rita Purnell- EXCUSED
Ms. Johanna Sedgwick - EXCUSED
Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey
Mr. Christian Larson, *Jr. Council Member*- EXCUSED
Ms. Jalyn Meckley, *Jr. Council Member*- EXCUSED
Mayor Buddy Johnson- EXCUSED

STAFF PRESENT

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

In accordance with Act 65 of 2021, If a matter is not on the Agenda, Council cannot take official action on it with some exceptions. The Council can act on matters relating to potential or real emergencies. Council may add a matter of agency business to its agenda through a majority vote. The Council should state the reason why the action item is being added to the agenda. Council may vote to add an action item(s) to the agenda.

None

V. PUBLIC COMMENT (Oral)

Borough Council intends to take public comment related to the motion that is on the floor after it has been duly made and seconded. The order of comment will be public comment and then council comment including, proposed amendments by council members. If amendments are proposed to the original motion, the public will then only comment on the amendment(s) before final votes are taken. You must be a Bellefonte resident, non-profit representative, business owner, or an official representative of another governmental agency. Speakers shall identify themselves by name and

street, municipality, if outside of the Borough of Bellefonte. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

None

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Council formal designation of Don Holderman as a Consultant to handle Borough Manager duties on an interim basis.

Tosti-Vasey motioned and Brachbill seconded to approve Don Holderman as a Consultant to handle Borough Manager duties on an interim basis. Discussion included (unintelligible).

Tosti-Vasey motioned to (unintelligible – please make sure microphones are on and that you speak loudly and clearly into the microphone when speaking) and McKean seconded. Roll call vote. Motion to approve the addition/amendment carried.

Mr. Kent Bernier	EXCUSED	Ms. Shawna McKean	yes
Mr. Randy Brachbill	yes	Ms. Rita Purnell	EXCUSED
Ms. Deb Cleeton	yes	Ms. Johanna Sedgwick	EXCUSED
Ms. Barbara Dann	yes	Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey	yes
Mr. Doug Johnson	yes		

Tosti-Vasey motioned and Brachbill seconded to approve Don Holderman as a Consultant to handle Borough Manager duties on an interim basis, with amendments to the motion. Roll call vote. Amended motion to approve Don Holderman as Interim Borough Manager carried.

Mr. Kent Bernier	EXCUSED	Ms. Shawna McKean	yes
Mr. Randy Brachbill	yes	Ms. Rita Purnell	EXCUSED
Ms. Deb Cleeton	yes	Ms. Johanna Sedgwick	EXCUSED
Ms. Barbara Dann	yes	Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey	yes
Mr. Doug Johnson	yes		

Removal of Signer from Northwest Bank Accounts.

Sedgwick motioned and Johnson seconded to remove Ralph Stewart as a signer from all associated accounts due to retirement. Tosti-Vasey amended the motion but her amendment was unintelligible. The amendment was approved via “friendly motion”. Roll call vote. The amended motion carried.

Mr. Kent Bernier	EXCUSED	Ms. Shawna McKean	yes
Mr. Randy Brachbill	yes	Ms. Rita Purnell	EXCUSED
Ms. Deb Cleeton	yes	Ms. Johanna Sedgwick	EXCUSED
Ms. Barbara Dann	yes	Ms. Joanne Tosti-Vasey	yes
Mr. Doug Johnson	yes		

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ISSUES NOT ON THE AGENDA

This Public Comment period is for oral comments regarding items not listed on this meeting agenda. Speakers shall identify themselves by name and street, municipality, if outside of the Borough of Bellefonte. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes maximum.

NONE

IX. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please try to limit all comments/rebuttals to three minutes maximum.

NONE

X. ADJOURNMENT

Call for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brachbill motioned and Cleeton seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.