

City of Bellevue
City Council Minutes
October 8, 2018

6:00 pm Call to Order:

Mayor Koch called the meeting to order. Council members present were Shaun Mahoney, Greg Cappel, Bob Leahy, Craig Wolfrom and Ned Burns. For the record Alderman Goldman was absent. City Clerk, Kathy Clark was absent due to illness. Staff members present were Diane Shay, Community Development Director, Greg Beaver, Fire Chief, Frank Suwanrit, Public Works Director and Kelly West, Water Superintendent.

Notice and Hearing Compliance:

The posting of this agenda complied with Idaho Code §67-2343. The agenda was posted at the Bellevue Post Office, the bulletin board outside City Hall and on the City website on October 3, 2018. Wolfrom moved that the notice for the meeting was posted in compliance with Idaho Code §67-2343, Burns seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Call for Conflict as outlined in Idaho Code §59-703 (f) – 704:

The Mayor called for any conflict from Aldermen with any agenda item. Burns stated that his wife was a volunteer on the Bellevue Haunted Forest Committee.

Public Comment for items of concern not on the agenda:

Mayor Koch asked for any public comment on items of concern not on the agenda. There was no public comment.

Presentation Safe Routes to School – Action Item Mark Sauvageau, Principal Bellevue Elementary School:

Mark Sauvageau was unable to attend the meeting and will be placed on the October 22 Council agenda. Mayor Koch outlined a new experimental route that will start next week and last for a week to determine if there's enough student ridership to implement such a route in the near future. There was discussion regarding possible alternative routes.

Painting of the Bellevue Library: Mayor Koch outlined the history of the project and stated that he had asked Suwanrit to get the library painted before winter. A single bid was submitted for the project; Suwanrit stated that others were solicited for bids but some contractors were busy and others didn't return his phone call. Mahoney stated that he thought the dollar amount (\$9,150) was very high, Cappel agreed. Burns stated that the process is flawed as the Council "has been painted into a corner" because the work has been completed and now the City is obligated to pay the bill. Four Council meetings have taken place since the bid, dated August 1, 2018 was received, however Council approval was never sought. Burns went on to state that he

didn't like this process and the Council was in general agreement. Wolfrom moved to approve the bill from High Five Painting, LLC in the amount of \$9,150, Mahoney seconded and with a unanimous vote (although Burns voiced his "yea" vote with reluctance), the motion passed.

New Copier for City Hall: As Kathy Clark was absent and had compiled all the information for the copier system, Council relied on the information in their packets to base their decision on, as well as the recommendation Clark made to go with the Fisher System. Further, Chief Beaver said that he's used this copier at the airport and thought it was reliable. Wolfrom moved to approve the lease with Fishers Technology to lease a Konica Minolta bizhub copier, Burns seconded and the vote was unanimous.

New Cox Phone System for City Hall: Several Councilmen stated that we just purchased a phone system about a year ago for City Hall. Shay was not versed to address the particulars of the Cox system therefore this agenda item was continued to October 22 so Clark could make a presentation to Council to discuss the pros and cons.

Safe Route to School and Pine Street Grant: Council was brought up to speed with the status of the Pine Street reconstruction grant application from last year to resubmit. Goldman is going to help prepare the grant. Council discussed the child safety pedestrian grant. Mark Savageau was not present at the meeting but has some data he would like to bring to the Council regarding student pedestrian movements before and after school along Cottonwood Street to Broadford Road and bus ridership to the Community Campus. Mayor Koch indicated Mountain Rides is looking into some test runs of bus routes that loop to Bellevue Elementary from Main Street to pick up students after school and get them to the Community Campus.

Council then started discussion of installing sidewalks along Cottonwood Street and Broadford Road. Wolfrom indicated he thought the Council should focus on the west side of Main Street, since sidewalks already are in place on Cedar Street, even though Cottonwood is the more desirable sidewalk location to get from Broadford Road the school. He discussed the County designation of Broadford Road as a bike route and suggested the grant should pursue a bike lane and sidewalk, instead of just a sidewalk, all the way to Broadford Bridge. Council acknowledged consideration of bicyclists, but were concerned the additional width necessary to accommodate a two-way bike lane would add cost beyond the limit of the grant. Additional funding options were discussed and settled on considering a multi-use path, instead of the bike lane/sidewalk option, extending from Main Street to at least the existing school bus stop, and preferably to the bridge. The discussion will be continued at the next meeting.

Annual Maintenance Fees for Bellevue Fire Department: Beaver began the discussion by stating that this money was already budgeted for and is for annual maintenance for the fire department. The costs were itemized as follows:

- pump testing \$505.00

- hose and ladder testing \$2665.30
- SCBA Testing 2018 cost was \$1977.00
- Breathing Air Compressor Testing 2018 cost was \$1342.00
- Fire Truck Maintenance DOT inspection and service four fire trucks approximate cost is \$2500.

After brief discussion Wolfrom made a motion to approve the request for the annual maintenance for the fire department, Mahoney seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Proposal for Life Insurance for Volunteer Firefighters: Beaver would like to have the Council consider providing his volunteer firefighters (in good standing) with a life insurance benefit. He provided the Council with a breakdown of costs associated with the premiums. After general discussion, Cappel stated that he didn't feel this was the City's responsibility to bear the entire cost of this benefit if a firefighter has an accident outside of the job and suggested a 50/50 match with the City and the individual. Council agreed. Wolfrom made a motion to have Beaver work with Clark on another formula, Cappel seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Bellevue Haunted Forest Request to Waive Park Fee. Tammy Schofield requested the Council waive the Howard Preserve Park Use Fee in the amount of \$520 for the nights of October 28th and 29th. This has been done in the past and the proceeds for the event go right back into the City. After brief discussion Cappel moved to approve the request to waive the park fees, Burns seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution #2129 – Howard Preserve Waiver of Park Fees – Cappel moved to approve, Burns seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution #2130 – New Fisher Copier Contract. Leahy moved to approve, Wolfrom seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution #2131 - 13. Resolution Painting of the Library. Wolfrom moved to approve, Burns seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution #2132 – Annual Maintenance Costs, Bellevue Fire Department – Leahy moved to approve, Cappel seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution #2133 – Authorizing the Treasurer to Implement Certain Pay Increases as approved by the FY19 Budget – Burns moved to approve, Mahoney seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Consent Agenda – Mahoney moved to approve as written, Burns seconded and the vote was unanimous. By roll call vote: Mahoney – yes; Cappel – yes; Leahy – yes; Burns – yes; Wolfrom – yes.

Wolfrom made a motion to adjourn, Burns seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Chris Koch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Diane Shay for Kathy Clark, City Clerk/Treasurer