

Bellevue Common Council
Monday, January 08, 2018
Minutes

6:00 pm Call to Order:

Mayor Koch called the meeting to order. Council members present were Shaun Mahoney, Greg Cappel, Bob Leahy, Anne Mulick, Kathryn Goldman & Craig Wolfrom. City Clerk was absent. Staff present were Diane Shay, Community Development Director; Kelly West, Public Works, Greg Beaver, Fire Chief; Mike Thompson, Deputy Marshal and Rick Allington, City Attorney.

1. 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 website on January 3rd. Mulick moved that the notice was in compliance with Idaho Code, Wolfrom seconded, motion carried unanimously.

2. Call for Conflict: None

Changes to agenda: Mayor Koch requested that we move Item #12, Consent agenda to Item #4. Wolfrom made a motion to move Consent Agenda, Item #12 to Item #4, Cappel approved. Motion carried unanimously

3. Public Comment. Koch Opened meeting for Public. No comment.

4. Consent Agenda.

a. Minutes from 12/11/17

b. Payables from 11-14-17 through 11-27-17.

Goldman stated she had questions regarding the larger line items. Delta Blower rebuild under wastewater - \$3035.64. West responded that one of the blowers had to be rebuilt. Goldman asked for clarification regarding total amount, does it include freight? West stated it does. Goldman asked for clarification for \$4370 through WR Welding. West stated that ITD hit RR tracks and bent the frame and plow mount. Wolfrom asked if the total cost exceeded the cost allocated for the truck. Mulick asked if the truck was damaged when Suwanrit went to see the truck. Shay stated council can remove an item from the consent agenda for discussion. Goldman requested that the bill be withheld. Wolfrom questioned if the item was in the financial statements, Goldman stated no it wasn't because it hadn't been paid for. Goldman then asked about the Idaho Power bill in Wastewater as it is so high. Goldman asked if the cost of the plow would be added to the truck, Kelly stated it was not on that truck. Goldman then asked for further information regarding the \$1105 for the "box" on the water tank. Kelly stated that it was to bring current with DEQ requirements.

c. Department Head Updates

d. Preliminary Financial Statements 12-31-17

Goldman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda after pulling the \$4,370 bill from WR Welding and the Idaho Power bill for \$6106. Leahy seconded, motion carried unanimously. Staff will look into the two items in question.

5. **Oath of Office, Bellevue Common Council – Ned Burns, Kathryn Goldman, Shaun Mahoney** – Prior to swearing in Koch presented a plaque to Mulick for her service to the City. Mulick received a round of applause. Mulick stated she had really enjoyed her time on Council, that it was bittersweet but she knew she was leaving the City in good hands. Koch administered the Oath of office to Mahoney, Goldman, and Burns.
6. **Election of Council President** – Cappel put Goldman's name into nomination for Council President. Goldman accepted. Mahoney seconded nomination, motion passed unanimously.

Koch stated that BIOTA presentation had been cancelled.

7. **Presentation, Discussion – Christina Van der Meulin (CVM) regarding O'Donnell Park Use:** Burns stated he is Van der Meulin's neighbor for the record. Van der Meulin stated there were about 6 subjects she wished to discuss. A few years ago CVM came to council asking for speed bumps. The City borrowed some from the City of Hailey, CVM stated they were awesome. She stated the traffic is out of control. She recommends raising the fees for the use of the park. She recommends that we alternate use by type. Next item is the issue of dogs at large. Dogs at the field with players are let loose and never watched. One of the dogs from softball ran repeatedly into her yard, killed a chicken and when confronted the dog's owner was belligerent. CVM would also like to see a Marshal on duty. She also stated that there is rampant use of alcohol and unsanitary behavior at the park after hours of drinking. Her final subject was regarding the grooming of the park. The former softball organizer was very respectful of the neighbors, the current one is out on the field at 6:30 am. Again, her husband has tried to ask him to stop and was confronted with belligerent behavior.

Helen Vaughn also stated that CVM's report was accurate and she, too disliked the excessive drinking. There is a 2 lane road and people are parking in one of the lanes and in people's driveway. She reiterated there is a dog problem.

Koch stated he will be forwarding this to the Parks Committee. Koch also stated that the City does revisit park fees. He also stated that he would like to see more patrolling in the summer and that the Marshal's office is gearing up. Koch will also look into the speed bumps. Jean Ortiz has been hearing noise from the park late at night at the park. She would like to find out the park hours.

A discussion of fees and hours ensued regarding types of fees including a tournament fee, a practice fee and a yearly use fee for games.

Debra VanLaw, 341 Ridgeview Drive, adjacent to the field. She would oppose significantly raising fees. She is a school teacher, 4th grade, and a majority of students as well as her own children play on that field. Would like to see the field remain open for children. Additional discussion regarding fees ensued. Alderman Burns stated that it sounded like 90% of this is simply enforcing ordinances;

Cappel discussed the dips used in Weyyakin. Wolfrom stated he would like to see coordination with Streets, Marshal, Parks, and Clerk. He also stated that Parks Committee need to work on coordination. Koch discussed City Right of Way issues as well. Mahoney stated that the new person handling softball needs to have an education. Koch will sit down with the Parks committee to discuss the subjects presented by all parties. Richard Boullon, stated he agrees with what had been said, but he appreciates the use of the parks. He also stated there was no excuse for bad behavior. He stated he would like to see an alcohol permit purchased for weekend tournaments. He wanted to voice his support for the park use. Cappel agreed but stated it should be used responsibly and would like to see respect for the property owners.

- 8. Old City Records to Idaho Historical Society – Tom Blanchard:** Blanchard stated that Shay had found many records that Blanchard feels have historical significance. Shay found the original books with Ordinance #1. There were so many unique and special documents that are valuable. Blanchard has six items to send to the Archives. Mahoney made a motion that Blanchard take those documents presented plus the map presented by Koch to either the State Historical Society or the local museum as he sees fit, Goldman seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Koch introduced our new Deputy, Mike Thompson.

- 9. Mountain Rides Update – Tom Blanchard;** Blanchard thanked Council for the appointment then presented a brief synopsis of the history of Mountain Rides. Mountain Rides has grown from 7 routes to 20 now, expecting to go to 30. Blanchard stated that for every passenger MR's has, a car is eliminated from the road. Blanchard then recapped the 5 policies, stating that 4 of those policies address "walkability", getting people out of the car, using the bus more often. He stated that cars are the problem. Ridership was at a record high of 530,000 for 2017. Blanchard would like to present more reports. Koch mentioned that the Jasper Apartments has provided a space for a shelter. Wolfrom asked if there has been an expedited route discussed. Koch also stated that an expedited ride would be beneficial. Blanchard stated there had been discussions by the Board. Additionally, the yard is already full and more space will be needed. Koch stated he appreciated Blanchard's enthusiasm for keeping us informed.

- 10. Municipal Reuse Permit.** Koch requested that item #10 be rescheduled for 1/22/18 meeting.

- 11. Request for Funds – Vehicle Lease and Axon Taser Lease –** Koch requested these items also be moved to 1/22/18.

- 12. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Pending Litigation and/or Land Acquisition Pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 :** Goldman made a motion to move into Executive Session Idaho Code 74-206, Section A. Mahoney seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mahoney made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Goldman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Wolfrom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Cappel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approved this 22nd day of January, 2018

Christopher Koch, Mayor

Kathleen Clark, City Clerk/Treasurer