

**BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES  
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 11, 2018**

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**REGULAR MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bell Acres was held on Monday, June 11, 2018, at the Big Sewickley Creek Volunteer Fire Hall, 1850 Big Sewickley Creek Road, Sewickley, PA 15143.

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Harry Lavelle of 1673 Big Sewickley Creek Road inquired about the Bell Acres Veteran's Memorial site. He requested that the war memorial be re-done with a concrete pad and plaque listing all the veterans' names. Mr. Kulbacki stated that a summer intern is working on the history of Bell Acres. He advised that part of this history project is to gather information about the veterans. Mr. Young agreed and requested that a concrete slab be placed in front of the memorial with a plaque honoring the Veterans. Mr. Abell asked Mrs. Veeck if she could post a notice on the website requesting information regarding the Veterans.

Mr. Lavelle also inquired about the reason why Bell Acres does not fly flags on the poles along Big Sewickley Creek Road, Camp Meeting Road, and Little Sewickley Creek Road. Mr. Young explained that the flags must be 13 feet higher or above. Additionally, he stated the Borough does not have proper equipment to install the flag posts on the poles.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Meeting was called to order by Mr. Young, President of Council, at 7:10 p.m.

**COUNCIL**

- (X) Dennis Young, President of Council
- (X) David Renfrew, Vice President of Council
- (X) Chris Abell
- (X) Kenneth Alvania
- (X) Brock Meanor
- (X) Michelle Veeck
- (X) Greg Wagner

**MAYOR**

- (X) Ronald Besong, Mayor

**BOROUGH ENGINEER**

- (X) Richard Shoup – Shoup Engineering, Inc.

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR**

- (X) Robert Max Junker – Babst Calland

**STAFF**

- (X) Charles Kulbacki, Borough Manager
- (X) Lisa Fleming, Borough Secretary

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor's Report for the month of May has been submitted in writing and made a part of the minutes.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 14, 2018, was made by Mr. Renfrew and seconded by Mr. Alvania. All in favor. Motion carried.

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## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for May 2018 as distributed and ratify payments totaling \$49,494.51 out of the General Fund and \$17.66 out of the State Fund, was made by Mrs. Veeck and seconded by Mr. Renfrew. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **BARLEY ROAD DRAINAGE PROBLEM**

Mr. Richard Shoup informed Council that on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, State Pipe Services will be running a camera through the drainage pipes located on Barley Road. After testing is completed, Shoup Engineering will review the data and advise accordingly.

### **CAMPMEETING ROAD SEWAGE CONNECTIONS**

Mr. Abell inquired about the Camp Meeting Road Sewage Project connections and if there are any issues with the homeowners. Mr. Renfrew reported that one homeowner refused, one homeowner was not notified until recently, but will be connecting, and two pumps were requested by one homeowner; however only one pump was used.

Mr. Alvania inquired about the odor coming from Leetsdale. Mr. Renfrew replied that BAMA ran a trial to eliminate the odor and it worked. Currently the trial is finished and the system is not being treated. Mr. Renfrew explained that this is a common problem with a pump system and the engineers are looking into designing a permanent tank system.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **BUDGET & FINANCE – Mrs. Veeck**

No Report

### **PUBLIC SAFETY – Mr. Renfrew**

No Report

### **PUBLIC WORKS - Mr. Alvania**

### **2018 BELL ACRES BOROUGH MAJOR ROAD PAVING PROJECT**

Mr. Alvania introduced the 2018 Bell Acres Borough Major Road Paving Project Report prepared by Shoup Engineering. Mr. Kulbacki summarized the report. He stated that Shoup Engineering prepared cost estimates of seal coating the following roads: Fairway Drive, Backbone Road, Fox Hill Drive, Highview Drive and Partridge Court. Further discussions took place regarding the method and costs associated with the use of asphalt versus seal coat (tar and chip).

A motion to instruct Shoup Engineering to issue bid packages for the 2018 Bell Acres Borough Major Road Paving Project of the five borough roads was made by Mr. Meanor and seconded by Mr. Alvania. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **PROPERTY & SUPPLIES – Mr. Wagner**

No Report

### **GOVERNMENT & LEGISLATION – Mr. Meanor**

#### **QUAKER VALLEY COG**

Mr. Meanor stated that he emailed QVOG's May's meeting notes to the Council Members.

#### **JUNIOR COUNCIL PERSON PROGRAM**

Mr. Meanor reported that he received positive reviews by other boroughs that offered the Junior Council Program. Mr. Meanor stated that he will e-mail the outline to all Members for their review.

**ZONING – Mr. Abell**

Mr. Abell announced that a "Hard to Recycle Collection Event" is being held at Quaker Valley High School on Saturday, June 30, 2018.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 06112018 - DECLARING ITS INTENT TO FOLLOW THE SCHEDULES AND PROCEDURES FOR DISPOSITION OF RECORDS AS SET FORTH IN THE MUNICIPAL RECORDS MANUAL**

Mr. Junker summarized Resolution No. 06112018 – Pertaining to the Schedules and Procedures for Disposition of Records as set forth in the Municipal Records Manual.

A Motion to adopt Resolution No. 06112018 was made by Mrs. Veeck and seconded by Mr. Renfrew. All in favor. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 208 REVIEW**

Mr. Young stated that the Borough must take a proactive approach in the event that marijuana is legalized in Pennsylvania. He expressed his concern about the future possibility of marijuana dispensary, growing, or processing facilities being allowed to operate in the Borough. An in-depth discussion took place. Mr. Young asked Mr. Junker to research the State's medical marijuana zoning provisions in order for the Planning Commission to compare and review Ordinance No. 208, so that they may develop restrictions and implement a zoning ordinance amendment for the Borough.

**DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

Mr. Wagner reported that he previously met with Morgan Stanley regarding the management fees of the Defined Benefit Pension Plans. Due to frequent discussions with the Portfolio Manager of Morgan Stanley, Mr. Wagner reported that the Borough's Defined Benefit Pension Plans now have more flexibility, less risk, and an annual savings of \$7,000 in fees.

**GENERAL CODE eCODE360 PROPOSAL**

Mr. Wagner reported that after the vote last month to adopt the General eCode360 Proposal, Mr. Meanor later stated that he voted against the proposal because he felt it was too expensive. Therefore, Mr. Wagner contacted General Code and asked them to reduce their costs. After their discussion, General Code agreed to lower their costs by 30% on the ongoing part and 15% on the execution part.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to transact, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Renfrew. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa J. Fleming  
Borough Secretary