

**BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 12, 2020**

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bell Acres was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 12, 2020, via teleconference.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

- ❖ John Edson – Attorney at Law
Attorney John Edson represents Robert Miller of 145 Beech Ridge Drive and inquired about the amended proposed ordinance regarding accessory buildings. Mr. Edson commented on the proposed ordinance on behalf of his client. Mr. Junker explained the procedure and enactment process. Attorney Edson thanked Mr. Junker for the clarification.

- ❖ Jason & Emily Scherer – 1859 Big Sewickley Creek Road (via email)
Mr. Junker read an email received at 4:00 pm. sent by Jason & Emily Scherer. They inquired about the incident of the recycling truck that collects newspapers from the fire hall that had dropped a lot of paper along Big Sewickley Creek Road. Mr. Kulbacki stated that Sgt. Tresky took photos and notified the recycling company to have the area cleaned up.

REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mr. Renfrew, President of Council, at 7:13 p.m.

COUNCIL

- (X) David Renfrew – President of Council
- (X) Brock Meanor – Vice President of Council
- () Chris Abell - Excused
- (X) Michelle Veeck
- (X) Greg Wagner
- (X) Megan Wine
- (X) Dennis Young

MAYOR

- (X) Kenneth Alvania, Mayor

BOROUGH ENGINEER

- (X) Scott 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 September 2020 has been submitted in writing and made a part of the minutes.

HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREATING

The Mayor announced Halloween Trick-or-Treating will take place on October 31, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, it is advisable that if you feel uncomfortable, then please refrain from participating. However, if you want to participate, please follow the CDC and PA State safety guidelines regarding social distancing and face mask coverings.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 14, 2020, was made by Mrs. Veeck and seconded by Mr. Meanor. All in favor. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2020 as distributed and ratify payments totaling \$176,963.11 out of the General Fund and \$144.79 out of the State Fund was made by Mr. Meanor and seconded by Mr. Young. All in favor. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

POLICE BODY CAMERAS

A motion to authorize the purchase of six (6) Body Worn Cameras and cloud software for three years from Watch Guard, under Co-Stars Contract No. 012-073 at a cost of \$22,783 was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Meanor. All in favor. Motion carried.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 304

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 118 IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES, "LOGGING", TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS REGULATING LOGGING, FORESTRY, AND OTHER SILVICULTURAL ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE BOROUGH.

A motion to enact Ordinance No. 304 amending Chapter 118 pertaining to Logging was made by Mr. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Veeck. All in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 101202020

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 1775 AND SENATE BILL 101 ON STORMWATER FACILITIES ON STATE HIGHWAYS.

A motion to adopt Resolution No. 101202020 in support of House Bill 1775 and Senate Bill 101 pertaining to stormwater drains on State Highways was made by Mr. Wagner and seconded by Ms. Wine. All in favor. Motion carried.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS

DISSOLUTION AGREEMENT - BSCVFD

Mr. Renfrew inquired about the status of the Dissolution Agreement with the Big Sewickley Creek Fire Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Junker stated that he received copies of the By-laws and gave an update.

DEDICATION OF BOROUGH ROADS

Mr. Renfrew inquired about the dedication of the borough roads. Mr. Junker stated that he's worked with Mr. Kulbacki and Mrs. Fleming, received copies of the ordinances and will continue to proceed.

CAMP MEETING ROAD LANDSLIDE

Mr. Wagner suggested that the Borough issue a fact-based narrative as to the history and current situation of the landslide on Camp Meeting Road. Mr. Wagner stated that we must comprise the report with very factual-based information that can be given to the public and posted on the Borough's website.

A motion to authorize and direct the Borough Manager and Solicitor to work with the staff to develop a report for the public regarding the landslide situation on Camp Meeting Road, an Allegheny County road, was made by Mr. Wagner and seconded by Ms. Wine. All in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET & FINANCE – Mrs. Veeck

No Report

PUBLIC SAFETY- Mr. Young

POLICE CONTRACT

Mr. Young stated he will be meeting with Mrs. Veeck and the police officers to review their contract.

PUBLIC WORKS – Mr. Abell – Excused

2020 MAJOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Mr. Kulbacki reported the 2020 Major Road Improvement Project is completed for the year.

PROPERTY & SUPPLIES – Mr. Wagner

No Report

GOVERNMENT & LEGISLATION – Mr. Meanor

VOTING BALLOTS

Mr. Meanor reported that some residents have received incorrect ballots. If there is an issue, they are to contact the election officials.

ZONING- Ms. Wine

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

BOROUGH'S MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION (MMO) PENSION FORMS FOR 2021

A motion to certify the Borough's 2021 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) Pension forms for 2021 in the amounts of:

Non-Uniformed Employee's Pension Plan	\$26,990.00
Police Pension Plan	\$99,972.00

Was made by Mr. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Young. All in favor. Motion carried.

DROP PENSION PROGRAM

Mr. Renfrew inquired about the DROP Pension Program with regards to the Full-Time Police Officer's contracts. Mr. Renfrew asked if Mr. Junker could provide Council with general information regarding the program. Mr. Renfrew stated that the information will be provided to everybody and then an Executive Session will be held.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were other items noted but no further action was needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to transact, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Wagner. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa J. Fleming
Borough Secretary