

BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES  
BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
January 13, 2025

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REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bell Acres was held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13, 2025, at the Big Sewickley Creek Fire Hall, 1850 Big Sewickley Creek Road, Sewickley, PA 15143.

REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mr. Meanor, Vice President of Council, at 6:02 p.m.

COUNCIL

( ) David Renfrew - President of Council-Excused  
(X) Brock Meanor - Vice President of Council  
(X) Christopher Abell  
(X) Matthew Horton  
(X) Charles Kulbacki  
(X) Gregory Molchen  
(X) Michelle Veeck  
(X) Kenneth Alvania - Mayor  
(X) Sandy Nelko - Borough Engineer  
(X) Robert Max Junker - Babst Calland

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor's report for the month of December 2024 has been submitted in writing and made part of the minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 9, 2024, was made by Mr. Kulbacki seconded by Mr. Abell. All in favor. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted for December 2024 as distributed and ratify payments totaling \$172,052.07 out of the General Fund and \$41,512.68 out of the State Fund was made by Mrs. Veeck, seconded by Mr. Abell. All in favor. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Budget & Finance – Michelle Veeck  
No report.

Public Safety – Brock Meanor

Acceptance of the Resignation of Part-Time Police Officer William E. Dreyer

A motion to accept the resignation of Part-Time Police Officer William E. Dreyer effective December 9, 2024, was made by Mr. Molchen, seconded by Mr. Kulbacki. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### Fire Hydrant Protection

Due to the wildfire situation in California, Mr. Meanor asked Fire Chief Wayne Fortuna about our fire hydrant protection in Bell Acres. Chief Fortuna stated that Edgeworth Water Authority conducts preventative maintenance by testing and flushing the fire hydrants twice a year. Currently there is 45 pounds of pressure in the line. There are no issues with water pressure. We have five (5) tankers in the area. Our firefighters have trained with Penn Energy on Amsler Ridge Road. Penn Energy recently gave the fire department a \$1,000 grant. They also granted us access to their water supply of millions of gallons of stored water.

#### Public Works – Christopher Abell

No report.

#### Property & Supplies – Charles Kulbacki

Mr. Kulbacki reported that Scott Shoup, Borough Engineer, received all the documentation from the Contractor for the demolition project located at 109 North Avenue.

#### Government & Legislation – Matthew Horton

No report.

#### Zoning – Gregory Molchen

Mr. Molchen reported that the Planning Commission will be reviewing a Conditional Use Application for an accessory building at 267 Skrabut Lane at its January 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. A public hearing will be necessary at the February regular meeting with Borough Council before action can be considered.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Reappointment of Sharon Papke to the Planning Commission

A motion to reappoint Sharon Papke to a 4-year term as a member of the Planning Commission beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2028, was made by Mr. Molchen, seconded by Mr. Abell. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

There are other items that should be noted but do not need action at this time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to transact, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Kulbacki, seconded by Mr. Abell. Meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa J. Fleming  
Borough Manager