# BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2025

# REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bell Acres was held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2025, preceded by a Public Hearing 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. Renfrew, President of Council, at 6:10 p.m.

# **COUNCIL**

- (X) David Renfrew President of Council
- ( ) Brock Meanor Vice President of Council excused
- (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**

Julie DiCenzo - 127 Skymark Lane

Mrs. DiCenzo wanted to thank Mayor Alvania and Mrs. Saracco for starting cleanup of the Old Boy Scout Camp area, and getting together a Litter Cleanup Day. Also, thanks to the Bell Acres Public Works as they will be pulling out large items with the use of the Borough equipment.

# **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor's report for the month of February 2025 has been submitted in writing and made part of the minutes. The Borough and Watershed will host a cleanup as Mrs. DiCenzo pointed out. Mayor Alvania suggested no young children recommended at this cleanup, there is a lot of glass in the area where the cleanup is going to focus. The Mayor also wants to thank RNS for donating the use of a dumpster to be used on this cleanup project.

# Old Boy Scout Camp Clean-up

On Sunday April 6<sup>th</sup> the Bell Acres Nature Park Litter Cleanup will be hosting a cleanup near Turkey Foot Road. 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Check the Borough website for more information <u>www.bellacres.org</u>.

#### APPROVAL OF PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing held on February 10, 2025, was made by Mr. Horton, seconded by Mr. Abell. All in favor. Motion carried.

# APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 10, 2025, was made by Mr. Molchen seconded by Mr. Kulbacki. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted for January 2025 as distributed and ratify payments totaling \$118,149.28 out of the General Fund and \$174.54 out of the State Fund was made by Mr. Kulbacki, seconded by Mrs. Veeck. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

# **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Budget & Finance - Michelle Veeck No report

Public Safety – Brock Meanor No report.

Public Works – Christopher Abell We are good on salt for borough roads.

Property & Supplies - Charles Kulbacki

Act 152 Blight Removal Grant Update - 109 North Avenue

The Demolition on 109 North Avenue will start on Monday March 17, 2025 and continue through the week.

# Municipal Complex Study - LSA Grant Meeting

Mr. Kulbacki reported there will be a Municipal Complex study at the Borough Building along with the Public Works Garage area. This study was awarded via a LSA grant application.

# Government & Legislation - Matthew Horton

Mr. Horton reported he attended the QVCOG meeting in February. Get a tree for a yard, for more information check the Borough website at <a href="www.bellacres.org">www.bellacres.org</a>. Also, there will be information coming forth with a date for a hard to recycle event for folks to help with large electronic items they may need have recycled. You must register for a small fee. More information will be announced in upcoming meetings. Waste Management may have a contact to become Bell Acres garbage collector in future, depending on pricing and availability.

#### Zoning - Gregory Molchen

Review Proposed Ordinance No. 327

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 165 IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELL ACRES, 'ZONING', AS AMENDED, TO REGULATE FENCING WITHIN THE BOROUGH.

A motion to advertise the public hearing for Proposed Ordinance No. 327 to be held during the regular meeting on May 12, 2025, was made by Mr. Molchen, seconded by Mr. Abell. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### 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. Abell, seconded by Mr. Kulbacki. Meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Palko Borough Secretary