

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 7, 2008
MINUTES**

President Woshner called the Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Bellevue to order 8:30 p.m. Council Members L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter, Mayor Doscher and the Solicitor were present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and silent Invocation.

VISITORS:

Mr. Jim Scisciani from 660 Shade Avenue notated to Council that he was a Council Member for 8 years which he truly enjoyed. He further noted that he also enjoyed the time that he was Council President and thanked Council for the time that he spent on Council.

Mr. Matt Drozd a County Council Member congratulated the Council Members that are on Council at this point. He expressed to Council his concerns about the many roads and bridges that still need to be repaired. He further explained how the County anticipates rectifying some of these issues as well as the County Budget increases. He stated that he is going to fight for the expenditures for the bridges and roads. L. Woshner questioned if there is money for merge/shared services and requested for Mr. Drozd to get the Borough any information on this. Mr. Drozd stated that he will be able to do this. He stated that the Boroughs should be very careful about merging and not reducing services. L. Woshner also requested for Mr. Drozd to pass along any information that he has on grants that the Borough could request. Mr. Drozd stated that he would do so.

MINUTES:

Minutes from the previous meetings of Council were presented. L. Blaney-Stewart seconded by M. Kutschbach made a motion to adopt the meeting minutes. L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor.

MAYOR:

The December report of the Mayor was read, received and filed. A total collection for the month was \$ 12,939 47 He announced that he had received notification that the Police Chief Michael Bookser will be retiring. He stated that he doesn't have an exact target date but it will be in the near future.

SOLICITOR:

The Solicitor had no report at this time.

ACTING DAS REPORT:

The December report of the Acting DAS was read, received and filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer read the December report and a copy is attached for review. He thanked the Department Heads and employees for their frugality. He stated because of this the Borough ended the year with a \$19,043 surplus.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The December report for the Elected Tax Collector was received and filed. A copy is attached for review.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Nothing at this time due to no Committee meetings in December .

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Nothing at this time due to no Committee meetings in December .

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Nothing at this time due to no Committee meetings in December .

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Nothing at this time due to no Committee meetings in December .

PENSION MEETING:

Nothing at this time.

TRI-BOROUGH:

Nothing at this time.

COG:

Nothing at this time.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

Nothing at this time.

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Nothing at this time

FIRE SERVICES:

Nothing at this time.

THREE RIVERS WET WEATHER:

Nothing at this time.

BIDS:

Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Nothing at this time.

RESOLUTIONS:

Nothing at this time.

ORDINANCES:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELLEVUE, A HOME RULE CHARTER MUNICIPALITY, PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT IN INSTALLMENTS OF BOROUGH TAXES ON REAL ESTATE FOR THE YEAR 2008; FIXING THE DATES FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID INSTALLMENTS AND THE DATES ON WHICH SAID TAXES SHALL BE DEEMED DELINQUENT; PROVIDING FOR A TEN PERCENT (10%) PENALTY FOR DELINQUENT PAYMENT OF SAID TAXES; AND REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES was read

L. Blaney-Stewart seconded by S. Mosolanksy made a motion to bring the Ordinance up for the third and final reading, captions only. A voice vote was taken with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. Motion carries.

M. Kutschbach seconded by L. Blaney-Stewart made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on the third and final reading, captions only. A roll call commenced with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. Motion carries. Ordinance is adopted as 08-01.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELLEVUE, A HOME RULE CHARTER MUNICIPALITY, FIXING THE MONTHLY COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR; FIXING THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE AND CUSTODIAL APPOINTEES AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF BELLEVUE, THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF THE POLICE FORCE, THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE ANNUAL SALARIES OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, AND THE HOURLY WAGE OF CERTAIN BOROUGH EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR VACATION PERIODS; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SAID SALARIES FOR THE FISCAL AND CALENDAR YEAR OF 2008, AND REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES was read.

L. Blaney-Stewart seconded by S. Mosolanksy made a motion to bring the Ordinance up for the third and final reading, captions only. A voice vote was taken with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. Motion carries.

M Kutschbach seconded by L. Blaney-Stewart made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on the third and final reading, captions only. A roll call commenced with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. Motion carries. Ordinance is adopted as 08-02.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mrs. Fleming explained that the Borough had dissolved the Borough's Planning Commission and the Code Enforcement Officer needs to have approval for a new construction by a Planning Commission. She stated that he might be bringing this to Council for Council's approval since the Planning Commission was dissolved. The Code Enforcement Officer, Michael Lutz questioned Council as to who are the Borough's representatives for the Joint Planning Commission. L. Woshner stated that it is going to be Rich Furis, Tom Hyrenda, David Price and the Alternate Delegate is going to be David Gillingham. There was discussion about whether this specific situation can be brought up to the Joint Planning Commission rather than Council. J. Braunlich stated that the Joint Planning Commission will be holding a meeting on January 14, 2008 at which time things will be finalized. There was discussion as to why the Planning Commission was dissolved.

The Treasurer presented to Council the results from the bids that were given to him from various banks for the Tax Anticipation Note. He stated that he recommends using PNC Bank for the Tax Anticipation Note. L. Blaney-Stewart seconded by J. Walter made a motion to accept the proposal from PNC Bank for the 2008 Tax Anticipation Note for \$500,000.00 at an interest rate of 3.25%. A roll call commenced with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. M. Kutschbach voted against. Motion carries. The Treasurer stated that PNC Bank will be sending a resolution to be passed at the next meeting to formally adopt the Tax Anticipation Note. He stated that this resolution should be passed as soon as possible.

L. Woshner stated that the elected auditors are interested in attending a conference on January 16, 2008. She explained that it will cost \$50.00 per person. Mrs. Fleming stated that nothing should be purchased until after the budget is passed.

LETTERS:

Nothing at this time.

LIST OF BILLS:

L. Blaney-Stewart seconded by J. Walter made a motion to pay the bills as approved by the various Committees. A roll call commenced with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. Motion carries.

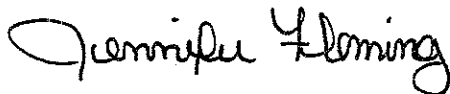
VISITORS:

Mr. Scisciani thanked everyone once again for all of their work.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with L. Blaney-Stewart, J. Braunlich, D. Gillingham, M. Helbling, M. Kutschbach, S. Mosolanksy, J. Scioscia, J. Walter and L. Woshner all voted in favor. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Jennifer Fleming

Secretary