

Town of Beverly Shores
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – October 20, 2020
Administration Building – 500 S. Broadway

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.
(This meeting was broadcast live via Microsoft Teams and was recorded due to recommended coronavirus “social distancing” guidelines.)

Roll Call - Council Members: Councilors Geof Benson, John Blackburn, Susan Loeb, Matrona Malik, and Thomas Weber were present. Also, present: Clerk-Treasurer Ellen Hundt, Marshal Ed Clapp, and Town Attorney Connor Nolan.

Title VI Survey Availability

President Benson announced the availability of the Title VI public involvement survey. This survey is available online via the Town’s website.

Second Reading and Final Adoption of the 2021 Budget and Salary Ordinance

Councilor Malik motioned to approve on second reading 2020-16 2021 Budget Ordinance as presented. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik – yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Councilor Malik motioned to accept the 2021 Salary Ordinance 2020-15. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Councilor Weber made a friendly amendment that the motion should be that Ordinance 2020-15 should be adopted on second reading. Councilor Malik accepted the amendment. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was discussion. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik – yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved. Councilor Malik motioned to adopt 2020-15 2021 Salary Ordinance. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik – yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Public Presentations

Palmer Walkway Donation- Evelyn Jackson presented, on behalf of the Palmer Avenue residents, the gift of the newly constructed Palmer Ave walkway to the Town. Councilor Malik motioned to accept the gift on behalf of the Town of the Palmer Ave walkway, connecting Palmer Ave to Lake Front Dr, financed by donations from various members of the community at a total cost of \$29,700. Councilor Weber seconded. There was discussion about maintenance. Evelyn Jackson agreed that minor repairs would be made by the residents of Palmer Ave. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik – yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Kasiunas Parking - 115 S. Janeth: Councilor Blackburn motioned to approve the plan as presented. Councilor Malik seconded. There was discussion. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik – yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved. Resident must now go to the Building & Building Site Committee with application.

Reyes Parking - 105 E. Neptune: Councilor Blackburn motioned to approve the plan as presented. There was no second. Vice President Loeb reported a neighbor sent an email with

concerns. Councilor requested resident talk to neighbor and come back next month for further review.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of September 15, 2020 Council Meeting minutes

Councilor Malik motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Vice President Loeb seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Approval of October 05, 2020 Council Meeting minutes

Councilor Malik motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Approval of October 08, 2020 Council Meeting minutes

Councilor Malik motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Vice President Loeb seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Approval of October 12, 2020 Council Meeting minutes

Councilor Malik motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Vice President Loeb seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Report of Police & Street Departments

Violation Report – CT Hundt presented appeals:

PV#11471/Olin: There was discussion. Councilor Malik motioned to deny appeal. Vice President Loeb seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = nay. Weber = yea. The motioned passed 4-1.

Police Report – Marshal Clapp gave report.

Street Report – Superintendent Clapp gave report. President Benson opened the one bid received for crack sealing. Rieth-Riley's bid totaled \$44,900. Councilor Weber motioned to take quote under advisement. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Ordinances & Resolutions

2020-17 Additional Appropriations for Police Donation (205)

Councilor Malik motioned to approve on first reading. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved. Councilor Weber motioned to consider on second reading during the same meeting as it was introduced. Councilor Malik seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved. Councilor Weber motioned to adopt ordinance. Councilor Malik seconded. There was a roll call

vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Resolution 2020-09 Resolution of the Beverly Shores Town Council Establishing a Permit-Only Parking Area – Councilor Malik motioned to adopt resolution. Councilor Weber seconded. There was discussion. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Resolution of Appreciation - Vytas Kasniunas - Councilor Malik motioned to accept resolution. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Resolution of Appreciation - John Daraska - Councilor Malik motioned to accept resolution. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Consideration of Reith Riley bid for pedestrian crosswalk Broadway/12 – Reith-Riley’s bid was \$21,450. Councilor Weber motioned to accept the bid and pay for it out of the Roads & Capital Improvements Fund (448). Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Clerk-Treasurer’s Report

Consideration of Claims –CT Hundt presented APV registers, noting items that were not in monthly expenses.. Vice President Loeb motioned to approve. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved. CT Hundt also presented the Fund, Revenue, Appropriation reports, Garbage reports, and 4 bank reconciliations. Council Blackburn will sign off on reports.

Consideration of Claims for Bonds, 2020 Series – Vice President motioned to approve. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved. RDA to approve claims at next meeting.

Public Comment

Becky Mateja Lombardini introduced herself. She is running for Porter County Commissioner.

Reports from Committees/Liaisons:

ADA progress: No meeting was held.

Greenspace Committee: No meeting was held.

Park Board: Councilor Malik gave report.

Building & Building Site Committee: Vice President Loeb gave report.

Board of Zoning Appeals: Vice President Loeb gave report.

Capital Planning Committee: Councilor Blackburn gave report.

Fire & Emergency Management: Councilor Weber gave report. He brought up concerns from the Fire Department regarding garbage blocking the side door to the fire house. Councilors Blackburn and Weber to look into alternatives for garbage and recycling.

Indiana Dunes National Park: Councilor Blackburn gave report.

Plan Commission: Councilor Weber gave report.

NIRPC: President Benson gave report.

Depot Museum and Gallery: Councilor Blackburn gave report.

Unfinished Business:

Coastal (Historic Landmark) Grant: Final payment has been made and this project is finished.

AV equipment purchase and installation: No update.

Update on Emergency Work on Lake Front Drive: President Benson gave update. The east end is finished, and work is being done at Derby. Questions regarding Greatwater to Rebora have come up. There is old revetment there and no work is currently being planned for that area. CARDNO is to start work on the revegetation project Monday, October 26, 2020.

Request for Proposal (RFP) for engineering study: Vice President Loeb motioned to approve the RFP, subject to Attorney Nolan finalizing the changes and to send out to three firms previously approved. Councilor Blackburn seconded. Proposals should be received by November 17, 2020. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

NIPSCO utility resilience progress update: No updates.

New Business

None.

Written Communications:

None.

Town Council Comment:

Councilor Malik cautioned people to be diligent in their COVID-19 precautions as numbers are rising in Indiana.

President Benson thanks the traffic control volunteers for their hard work.

Councilor Malik stated new volunteers are still needed.

Councilor Blackburn stated that NIPSCO has still not determined their coal ash transport plan. He thanked Susan Thomas for her continued monitoring of this issue.

Adjourn:

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Malik

Seconded by Councilor Weber.

There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Time: 8:51 p.m.