

Town of Beverly Shores
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – August 18, 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 (joined at 7:11 p.m.), 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.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of July 2, 2020 Council Meeting minutes

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

Approval of August 3, 2020 Council Meeting minutes

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

Report of Police & Street Departments

Violation Report – CT Hundt reported that 647 tickets have been written with a 53% collection rate. CT Hundt presented appeals:

PV#10722/Pascarella: Vice President Loeb motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11059/Sathe: Vice President Loeb motioned to deny appeal. Council Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11100/Baldwin: Councilor Weber motioned to deny appeal. Vice President Loeb seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11199/Shireen: Vice President Loeb motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11247/Wojciech: Councilor Weber motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was discussion. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11325/Elam: Councilor Blackburn motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11379/Riley: Councilor Weber motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was discussion. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = nay. Appeal was denied 4:1.

PV#11417/Katmakanov: Vice President Loeb motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11528/Robles: Councilor Blackburn motioned to deny appeal. Vice President Loeb seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11532/Harbula: Vice President Loeb motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

PV#11559/Stoyan: Councilor Blackburn motioned to deny appeal. Councilor Weber seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Police Report – Marshal Clapp gave report.

Street Report – Superintendent Clapp gave report. D & M to work on sink holes at Derby in next few weeks. NIPSCO has to give okay because of gas line. Reith-Riley to work on Lake Front (Broadway to Derby) and Four Corners in mid-September. Tree removal bids have been received by D & M and Owens & Sons. Bids will be taken under advisement and awarded at August 26, 2020 meeting.

Ordinances & Resolutions

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-14 ORDINANCE CREATING THE ROADS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND (448)

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

Void check #6371 dated 12/29/2017 to be receipted back into the General Fund – CT Hundt presented voided check.

Consideration of Claims for Bonds, 2020 Series – Councilor Weber motioned to approve. Councilor Malik 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

Susan Thomas (215 S. Broadway) spoke about the need to hold ArcellorMittal accountable for their 30+ environmental violations since last year's spill.

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. The Capital Planning recommend that the following projects go out for bid:

Firehouse furnace (Benson)

Community House septic (Weber)

Administration Building sump pump (Hundt)

All Town buildings electrical (Blackburn)

Firehouse bathrooms (Benson)

Administration Building generator (Hundt)

Councilor Weber motioned to get quotes for the projects. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was discussion regarding who would be responsible for getting quotes. Councilor Weber added to motion that quotes will be considered at September 15 Town Council Meeting. Councilor Blackburn seconded. There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea.

Fire & Emergency Management: Councilor Weber gave report.

Indiana Dunes National Park: Councilor Blackburn gave report.

Plan Commission: Councilor Weber gave report.

NIRPC: No meeting was held.

Depot Museum and Gallery: Councilor Blackburn gave report.

Unfinished Business:

Coastal (Historic Landmark) Grant: President Benson reported that final report has been filed.

AV equipment purchase and installation: No update.

Update on Emergency Work on Lake Front Drive: President Benson gave update. Work on the 600 block will wrap in next week or two. Will move back to Shore where more scours were discovered.

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services – Will be opened on August 26 Town Council Meeting.

Ed Bracken work arrangement Not completed yet.

NIPSCO utility resilience progress update President Benson reports NIPSCO is almost done with project.

Census 2020: Census takers are actively working throughout the Town.

New Business:

BZA temporary replacement - President Benson appointed Linda Kurtos to replace John Jannsen on the BZA as it pertains to the Goblin & The Grocer hearing.

Written Communications:

None.

Town Council Comment:

Vice President Loeb asked if the Council wanted to take action regarding ArcellorMittal considering they have done so in the past; what would they say differently. Councilor Weber will do research and make a recommendation.

Councilor Weber asked about resident Reyes' request to be heard from a few months ago.

Attorney Nolan stated the Governor's Emergency Order is in effect until September 2, 2020.

What is essential is up to the Council.

Councilor Malik thanked all the road/traffic control volunteers for their work.

Adjourn:

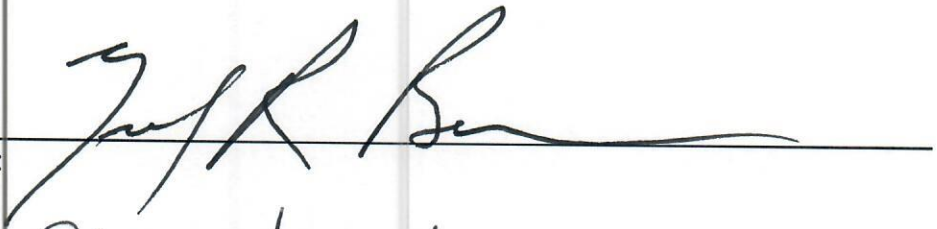
Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Malik

Seconded by Vice President Loeb.

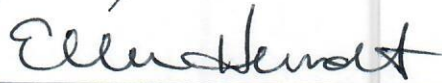
There was a roll call vote. Benson = yea. Loeb = yea. Blackburn = yea. Malik = yea. Weber = yea. Unanimously approved.

Time: 8:16 p.m.

Town Council President:

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Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ellen Hundt", written over a horizontal line.

Clerk-Treasurer
Ellen Hundt