

Bellevue Common Council  
Monday October 12, 2020  
Bellevue City Hall, 115 E Pine St, Bellevue  
Regular Meeting Minutes

6:00 p.m. Call to Order:

Mayor Burns called the Regular Meeting to order. A roll call attendance was conducted, and Council members present were Tammy Davis, Greg Cappel, Kathryn Goldman, Doug Brown, Chris Johnson, and Shaun Mahoney (arrived 6:07pm) all appearing by teleconference. For the record, Mayor Burns and Clerk/Treasurer Edwards were physically present in the official meeting location of the Council Chambers of City Hall. A quorum was present for the entire meeting. Staff present were Rick Allington, City Attorney; Greg Beaver, Fire Chief; Frank Suwanrit, Public Works Director; Mynde Heil, Assistant Marshal; and Marian Edwards, City Clerk/Treasurer.

Notice and Hearing Compliance:

The posting of this regular meeting agenda complied with Idaho Code 74-204. The regular meeting agenda was posted five (5) days prior to the meeting at the Bellevue Post Office, the bulletin board outside of City Hall and on the website on October 7, 2020. Davis motioned that the notice was in compliance with Idaho Code 74-204. Brown seconded. All in favor. The motion passed.

1. Call for Conflict as outlined in Idaho Code §59-703 (f) – 704 With Any Agenda Item.  
Burns called for conflict from any Alderman with any agenda items. No conflicts were noted.
2. Public Comment for Items of Concern not on the Agenda.  
Burns thanked Suwanrit and the Public Works staff for work at City Hall to seal up an opening that needed to be addressed.

Goldman stated that she had conducted a comparison of the City's cash position and savings from this period to last year and thanked Edwards, Marcy Hunt and Maria Palomera for their work in improving and documenting the increased cash reserves. Goldman noted that the City's improved cash position allowed for the Mayor and Council to provide tax relief for the citizens. Burns thanked the department heads for their efforts at curtailing spending and ensuring that funds were spent wisely. Goldman stated that the Mayor's leadership has been important in the improved cash performance and thanked him for providing guidance and direction to the department heads.

#### SPECIAL NEW BUSINESS SESSION

3. Wood River Valley (WRV) Wildlife Smart Communities Coalition, presented by Terry Thompson, Idaho Fish and Game. Thompson gave a presentation on the history of the organization and noted that Clear Creek Disposal has also been an active participant. Thompson stated that the intent is to engage community members to reduce wildlife conflicts in the Wood River Valley. The Council asked questions about the groups outreach and education plans. Thompson noted that the group had received grant funding for outreach.

Goldman asked what resources would be need from Bellevue because of the requested resolution and Thompson noted that the group is looking for community buy in at this point. Davis requested that outreach efforts be bilingual to reach all members of the local community. Johnson noted that humans have moved into wildlife areas and that we need to be better home and pet owners to minimize conflicts.

4. Consideration of Resolution #2190: Forming and Joining the WRV Wildlife Smart Communities Coalition. Brown motioned to approve resolution #2190 as presented. Cappel seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- yes, Goldman- yes, Cappel-yes, Brown- yes, Johnson-yes. Motion passed.

The Council thanked Thompson for the presentation.

#### OLD BUSINESS

5. Consent Agenda:
  - a. Minutes of September 25, 2020 and September 28, 2020
  - b. Claims for September 30, 2020 - FY2020
  - c. Claims from October 1, 2020 to October 12, 2020 - FY2021
  - d. Department Head Reports

Goldman motioned to accept the consent agenda as presented. Cappel seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- yes, Goldman- yes, but abstained on the minutes of September 28, 2020 as not present for that meeting, Cappel-yes, Brown- yes, Johnson-yes. Motion passed.

#### NEW BUSINESS

6. COVID19- Council Discussion and Action: 1) Consideration of Adoption of Blaine County's Risk Level Plan dated September 1, 2020; 2) Current Risk Levels; and 3) Potential Added Actions Needed with Current Risk Levels and Trends.

Burns called on Blaine County Commissioner Angenie McCleary to give the Council a presentation on the County's Risk Level Plan under review. McCleary noted that the plan adopted by the County is more robust than the risk rating plan used by the South Central Public Health District (SCPHD) and is modeled on the Harvard Global Health Institute's framework for COVID19 metrics. McCleary noted that Blaine County is taking a different approach than the surrounding counties due to our high transient/tourist population, which is not a factor for the other members of the SCPHD. Burns noted that cases are increasing in Blaine County and that we would not have the access to hospital capacity like we did back in the spring as the cases are also trending up at the regional hospital locations. Johnson noted that he has constitutional and freedom of association issues with the guidance limits proposed in the risk plan. The Aldermen had a very animated discussion and asked questions. The Council agreed that education, enforcement and protecting the community with all of us

taking care of and respecting each other was important. The Council thanked McCleary for her presentation and for all of work she and her team have done at the County level regarding the COVID19 crisis.

Brown motioned to support the Blaine County Risk Level Plan dated September 1, 2020. Goldman seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- yes, Goldman- yes, Cappel- yes, Brown- yes, Johnson-no. Motion passed.

Davis and Brown left the meeting at approximately 7:25pm.

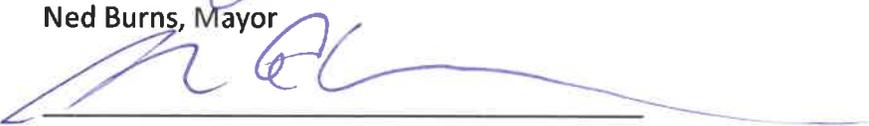
7. Resolution #2191, Confirming the Appointment of Tom Blanchard to the Mountain Rides Transportation Authority Board for a three (3) year period. Burns stated that he re-appointed Blanchard to represent Bellevue on the Mountain Rides Board and was very appreciative of his service to the City. Johnson motioned to approve resolution #2191 as presented. Goldman seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- not present, Goldman- yes, Cappel-yes, Brown- not present, Johnson-yes. Motion passed.
8. Resolution #2192, Adoption of Blaine County Mutual Assistance Agreement for a five (5) year period. Burns noted that the volunteer fire staff did a good job of suppressing the wildfire last week. Beaver gave a brief history of the Mutual Assistance Agreement process in the valley. Beaver noted that Allington had reviewed the agreement prior to it coming before the Council for approval. Goldman motioned to approve resolution #2192 as presented. Johnson seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- not present, Goldman- yes, Cappel-yes, Brown- not present, Johnson-yes. Motion passed.
9. Resolution #2193, Authorizing Mayor to execute a contract with Mountain Humane for services for FY2021. Burns noted that the Mountain Humane contract for FY2021 had the same standards as the agreement he reached with them during the summer that lowered the overall cost to the City while still providing necessary services. Johnson motioned to approve resolution #2193 as presented. Goldman seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- not present, Goldman- yes, Cappel-yes, Brown- not present, Johnson-yes. Motion passed.
10. Request for Funds: ITD Surplus 1999 Mack CL 713: \$9,000.00: 58160, Capital Equipment Purchase -Streets, Fiscal Year TBD. Suwanrit gave an overview of the condition of the used vehicle and included equipment. Cappel questioned the repair costs and whether it was a responsible purchase. Suwanrit responded yes- that the vehicle and equipment would be more versatile. Johnson stated that the vehicle would be enough to get by and that the City needed to start looking at improving equipment. Mahoney requested that lease options be reviewed for future equipment needs. Johnson motioned to approve the request for funds as presented. Cappel seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- not present, Goldman- yes, Cappel-yes, Brown- not present, Johnson-yes. Motion passed.

- 11.** Request for Funds: Roller Compactor Repair: \$2,228.93: 51090, Equipment Maintenance and Repairs -Streets, Fiscal Year TBD. Suwanrit gave a history of how the equipment is used. Johnson stated that the City needed to look at better equipment. Johnson motioned to approve the request for funds as presented. Goldman seconded. Roll call vote results: Mahoney- yes, Davis- not present, Goldman- yes, Cappel-yes, Brown- not present, Johnson- yes. Motion passed.
- 12.** Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Pending Litigation and/or Land Acquisition Pursuant to Idaho Code §74-206. There was no executive session.
- 13.** Adjournment. Goldman motioned to adjourn. Johnson seconded. All in favor. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.



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Marian Edwards, City Clerk/Treasurer