

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 25, 2021**

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, October 25, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Brian Neabank of Zion United Church of Christ. Council persons present: MR. BAKER, MR. BRUGNONE, MS. DOWNING, MR. HILL, MRS. OMMERT, MR. SHEPHERD, and MR. WALDRUP.

Minutes of the October 12, 2021 City Council meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Mr. Waldrup to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Mrs. Ommert. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Strecker welcomed Acting Clerk of Council, Vickie Dauch back.

Safety-Service Director Mr. Lantz reported that the paving projects for 2021 have been completed. Fall flushing of hydrants are in progress and the leaf operations will be starting soon.

Auditor, Mr. Smith reported that the temporary budget ordinance will be on the next agenda.

Law Director David Wallingford said the streets repaving looks good.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Ms. Downing has also heard many good comments about the street repaving.

Mr. Shepherd reported that there are trucks going down Flat Rock Road. He would like to see some signs. He has heard some complaints about 427 Buckeye Street that has many violations. Perhaps the unsafe building ordinance could be used. Safety Service Directors Mike Lantz replied that the owner is in his 90's and his son is not in the U.S., so it is a difficult situation. Mr. Shepherd would also like to see money set aside for sidewalks next year.

Mr. Baker commented that the paving looks good. He inquired about the stabilization of the Ben Franklin area. Safety-Service Director Mike Lantz said it was part of the deal to take care of the stabilization. President Smith added that it is Council's responsibility for the cosmetic part of that area. Mr. Baker said that new lighting should be considered for that area. Auditor Smith said he needs to know what is going to be needed so it can be put into the budget.

Mr. Brugnone reported that the streets look good. He noticed there are kids dodging traffic on Route 20 and that perhaps a traffic signal with timers and all 4-way stops should be considered.

Mr. Hill added to Mr. Brugnone that perhaps a Yield to Pedestrians sign could be posted.

Mrs. Ommert stated she is pleased with street paving and Memorial Way.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance – A committee meeting was held prior to the regular meeting at 7 p.m. to discuss budget and other issues, including laptops or devices for council people. Ordinance No. 28-21 needs to be added to the agenda.

Mrs. Ommert moved to add Ordinance No. 28-21 to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Waldrup. The vote was aye.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

RESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith excused Dave Freitag from the meeting.

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE NO. 28-21 WAS GIVEN ITS FIRST READING. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 4-21, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Baker moved to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No. 28-21 its second and third reading by title only, seconded by Mr. Brugnone. The vote was aye.

ORDINANCE NO. 28-21 WAS GIVEN ITS SECOND AND THIRD READING BY TITLE ONLY. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 4-21, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Ommert moved to adopt Ordinance No. 28-21, seconded by Mr. Hill. The vote was aye.

CLOSING REMARKS:

Law Director David Wallingford stated that the 2022 budget ordinance will be on the 11/8 agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Brugnone and seconded by Mr. Shepherd. The vote was aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Vickie Dauch
Acting Clerk of Council