

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 28, 2022**

Bellevue City Council met on Monday, November 28, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer was offered by Council President, Mr. Smith. Council members present: MR. BAKER, MR. BRUGNONE, MS. DOWNING, MR. HILL, and MR. SHEPHERD.

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of November 14, 2022 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Mr. Brugnone to approve the minutes as written. It was seconded by Mr. Shepherd. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Strecker reminded everyone that the Christmas parade will be this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. It will start and end at Central Park.

He thanked the Ministerial Association of Bellevue, and President Smith in particular, for the Thanksgiving community worship event. It was great for the community and he recommends that it be an annual event.

Safety-Service Director, Mr. Lantz, stated that leaf collection is coming to a close. If anyone has more leaves, bag them up and they will be picked up. They will soon be getting into snow removal operations so the sooner the better for finishing leaf collecting.

He distributed an email form from Mr. Scagnetti concerning ODOT's request for preliminary legislation for work to be done starting August 2025. The State doesn't give us much time and they are asking for it to be concluded and sent to them by the 23rd of January. The Mayor requests that we get it started in December at our next meeting and then finish it up the first meeting in January. President Smith stated we are working on it and will have it ready for the next meeting.

Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, followed up with Mr. Lantz stating that the ordinance for ODOT will be prepared and we will have it ready for the next meeting on December 12.

Mr. Lantz is working on a fire contract with Thompson, York and Lyme Townships. Thompson Twp. has signed the contract and we have an ordinance prepared. We will hold on to the ordinance until the next meeting in case we hear back from York and/or Lyme Townships. We can add them to the ordinance. Mr. Lantz stated that they have a meeting on Monday and he should know more after that. If we haven't heard from York or Lyme, we can still have the ordinance ready for Thompson Township.

REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mr. Shepherd inquired if there is anything in our ordinances regarding stray cats in the neighborhoods and how many people can have. Mr. Wallingford stated that there is a place in the Code where it discusses the amount of cats that can be owned but if it is regarding stray cats, it may be different. There is a kennel ordinance where you can have only a certain number of dogs or cats and if you have more, you need to have a kennel license.

Mr. Hill gave kudos to the employees of Barnes Nursery who were at the compost site early Saturday morning. When he was there, three vehicles came loaded with trash.

Someone forgot to order the dumpsters. The employees from Barnes took care of it immediately and had a system to recall people to bring their trash back. They made a great effort to take care of it quickly. Barnes has done a great job and they are well worth the price we pay to have them take care of the compost site.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President Smith scheduled a **Committee of the Whole** work session for Monday, December 12, 2022 at 7:15 p.m. to discuss fire contracts and the resurfacing on Route 4.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Smith excused Mrs. Ommert, Mr. Waldrup, and Mr. Freitag from tonight's meeting.

LEGISLATION: None.

CLOSING REMARKS:

Law Director, Mr. Wallingford, stated that it was great to see Peggy Missler in attendance and he thanked the students from Mr. Mercer's government class for attending.

President Smith thanked everyone for attending and requested a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Brugnone and seconded by Mr. Baker. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Smith
President of Council

Rhonda R. Soper
Clerk of Council