



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

6:00 PM

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Feibel at 6:01 pm.

2) Roll Call of Members

City Council Members Present:

President Lori Ann Feibel, Matt Klingler, Monique Lampke, Troy Markham, Jessica Saad, Richard Sharp

City Council Members Excused:

Jen Robinson

3) Pledge of Allegiance

4) Presentations/Special Guests

A) Nick Denby and Lauren Graham, Pelotonia

Mr. Denby, Pelotonia CFO, introduced himself and Lauren Applebaum, and gave an overview of Pelotonia stated that the course will ride through Bexley for the first time this year.

B) Caitlin Miller, Nationwide Children's Hospital Rubber Duck Race

Caitlin Miller introduced herself and Casteel Borsay; Ms. Borsay gave an overview of the Nationwide Children's Hospital 10th annual Duck Race.

5) Public Comments

There were no public comments.

6) President's Report

President Feibel shared a quote and an overview of the work Council has accomplished in the past year, and spoke briefly about the Fourth of July and CSG's Head of School.

7) City Attorney Report

Mr. Fishel announced an appeal has been officially filed regarding the 2300 Livingston property and that he has been in touch with the Franklin County Board of Elections regarding the

proposed Charter amendments.

8) Consent Agenda:

A) Minutes from the 6-8-21 City Council Meeting

The Consent Agenda was voted on after Administrative Updates. **Motion for approval by Mr. Markham, seconded by Mr. Klingler, Vote 6-0 APPROVED.**

Council members, Mayor Kessler, and Mr. Fishel discussed the recent change in format of the minutes.

9) Administrative Update:

A) Service Department Update- Andy Bashore

Mr. Bashore did not have anything to add to his written report.

B) Police Department Update- Chief Rinehart

Chief Rinehart did not have anything to add to his written report.

C) Recreation and Parks Update- Mike Price

Mr. Price encouraged community members to volunteer for the Fourth of July events and gave information about the John Barr 5k Race.

D) Finance Department Update- Bill Harvey

Mr. Harvey provided highlights from his written report, answered questions from Council members, and shared information about the newly hired payroll administrator.

E) Mayor's Update

Mayor Kessler provided highlights from his report, introduced Natalie Vawter, the City's new Chief Executive Assistance, shared the most recent COVID statistics, introduced Plastic-Free July, and answered questions from Council members and Mr. Harvey.

10) Ordinances/Resolutions with visiting presenters

There were no ordinances or resolutions with visiting presenters.

11) Third Readings:

A) Ordinance 24-21, to award the Bexley Electricity Aggregation Program contract to AEP Energy, based upon the terms and conditions provided for in their RFP, as modified by the Board of Control, introduced by Mr. Sharp. (Introduced on May 25, 2021)

Mayor Kessler explained Council will hear from AEP Energy in August.

Motion for tabling by Mr. Sharp seconded by Ms. Lampke, Vote 6-0 TABLED.

B) Ordinance 25-21, to amend Sections 1220.03, 1220.05, 1223.06, and 1223.08 to specify the membership, quorum, and majority vote of the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning and the Architectural Review Board, Introduced by Ms. Saad (introduced on

May 25, 2021)

Ms. Saad reminded Council that this ordinance is to provide continuity and efficiency in the BZAP and ARB meetings.

Council members, Mayor Kessler, Mr. Fishel, and Mr. Harvey discussed the language, the amendment, and its implication.

Motion to take action on the amendment by Ms. Saad, seconded by Mr. Markham, Vote 6-0 APPROVED. 7:11

Motion for approval by Ms. Saad, seconded by Mr. Sharp, Vote 6-0 APPROVED. 7:11

- C) Resolution 07-21, confirming the Mayor's appointments of members to the Architectural Review Board; the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning; the Recreation and Parks Board; the Tree and Public Gardens Commission; the Board of Health; the Civil Service Commission; the Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council; the Tax Incentive Review Council, the Board of Tax Review; the Records Commission; and the Bexley Community Improvement Corporation, Introduced by Ms. Lampke (introduced May 25, 2021)

Mayor Kessler discussed the proposed amendment pertaining to the Community Reinvestment Area Committee, to change the years in the Civil Service appointment term expiration, and a potential vacancy.

Motion for amendment by Ms. Lampke, seconded by Mr. Sharp, Vote 6-0 AMENDED.

Motion for approval by Ms. Lampke, seconded by Mr. Klingler, Vote 6-0 APPROVED.

12) Second Readings:

- A) Ordinance 26-21 to amend section 262.02(e) to allow for the payout of sick leave to part-time employees upon termination from service with the City (introduced by Mr. Markham on June 8, 2021)

Mr. Markham gave a brief synopsis of this ordinance. Mr. Harvey and Mr. Fishel discussed that this pertains to only part-time employees.

- B) Ordinance 27-21 to appropriate \$281,500 from the Capital Fund and \$240,000 from the Refuse Fund for the purpose of funding mid-2021 Capital Projects (introduced by Mr. Markham on June 8, 2021)

Mayor Kessler explained details of the costs associated with this ordinance; Mayor Kessler and Mr. Fishel answered Council members' questions.

13) First Readings:

- A) Ordinance 28- 21 to amend section 262.02 (c)(3) to provide for Juneteenth as a holiday for employees (introduced by Jen Robinson on June 22, 2021)

This will constitute a first reading, and Ms. Robinson will introduce it at the next meeting. Mayor Kessler and Mr. Fishel answered Mr. Sharp's questions regarding days off.

- B) Ordinance 29– 21 to amend 618.15 (Dogs on City Park and Recreational Property), to regulate the admittance of service animals in city parks (introduced by Mr. Markham on June 22, 2021)

Mr. Markham discussed the cleaned-up version of this ordinance and answered Mr. Sharp's question regarding the inclusion of definitions.

- C) Ordinance 30 – 21 to create the position of “Chief Executive Assistant” (introduced by Troy Markham on June 22, 2021)

Mr. Markham explained this ordinance will create a new position and an executive session will be held later in the meeting. Mayor Kessler indicated this is an expanded job description due to a more robust roll and a pay scale that tracks with the Water Department.

- D) Ordinance 31 – 21 to create section 262.02 (c)(14)(A)(4), Vacation Accrual for New Employees, and to amend Section 262.02(c)(14)(D), Credit for Prior Service, to provide for credit for prior service to employees (introduced by Troy Markham on June 22, 2021)

Mr. Markham and Mayor Kessler explained this ordinance. Mr. Fishel answered Council member's questions.

14) Tabled Ordinances:

- A) Resolution 05-21: A Resolution approving the 2021 Bicycle Friendly Bexley Plan (introduced by Richard Sharp on May 11, 2021)

Ms. Girvis may give edits regarding Drexel Ave. This is kept tabled.

- i) [Link to proposed Bike Boulevard map](#)

- B) Ordinance 12-21, to adopt and approve the City of Bexley Electric Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance, and to declare an emergency, introduced by Mr. Sharp (introduced on March 9, 2021).

This ordinance is kept tabled.

- C) Ordinance 23-21: **An Ordinance accepting the donation of an Access Easement, Conservation Easement and 1.175 acres of real property adjacent to and east of Alum Creek to the City of Bexley (introduced by Mr. Klingler on 5/11/2021)**

Motion for removal from table by Mr. Klingler, seconded by Mr. Markham, Vote 6-0 REMOVED FROM TABLE.

Mr. Klingler indicated the easement is no longer being donated.

Motion for withdrawal by Mr. Klingler, seconded by Ms. Saad, Vote 6-0 WITHDRAWN.

15) Service and Environmental Committee - Richard Sharp, Chair

Mr. Sharp made a statement that he will not run for re-election in the next City Council election.

16) Finance Committee - Troy Markham, Chair

Mr. Markham shared the mural committee met and expect the mural to be completed in early-mid August.

17) Safety and Health Committee - Jen Robinson, Chair

There was no report.

18) Zoning and Development Committee - Jessica Saad, Chair

Ms. Saad shared the dates and times for the next BZAP and CIC meetings.

19) Recreation and Parks Committee - Matt Klingler, Chair

Mr. Klingler gave an overview on the DORA, food trucks, and pool memberships.

20) Judiciary and Strategic Committee - Monique Lampke, Chair

Ms. Lampke shared information about the PRIDE crosswalk event and donation to the Animal Control office from the Bexley Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association.

21) Public Comments (No Speaker Slip Required)

There were no public comments.

22) Executive Session

A) Executive Session pursuant to 223.03: to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session by President Feibel, seconded by Ms. Saad, Vote 6-0 APPROVED.

Motion to adjourn out of Executive Session by President Feibel, seconded by Mr. Klingler, Vote 6-0 APPROVED.

23) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by President Feibel, seconded by Mr. Klingler, Vote 6-0 APPROVED.

MINUTES APPROVAL DATE:

August 10, 2021

ATTEST:



William Harvey, Clerk of Council



Lori Ann Feibel, President of Council

