

**BEECH GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018**

Mayor Dennis Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: City Council Members, Bud Templin Jim Brooks, Dave Harrison, Elizabeth Lamping, Chris Duffer and Kevin Day. Present also were, Mayor Dennis Buckley, Clerk Treasurer Dan McMillan and City Attorney Craig Wiley. Absent, Councilor Jim Brooks

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Walk to Remember

Mayor Buckley read a proclamation declaring the month of October Pregnancy & Infant Loss Month in the City of Beech Grove. Joannie Cutshaw thanked Mayor Buckley and the Council, this is 33 years they have been doing this walk.

Public Hearing – OCRA Grant

The City of Beech Grove is applying for an OCRA Grant. The city will be applying for \$600,000.00 in grant money. \$5,000.00 will be spent from the General Fund and \$145,000.00 will come from the business owners. The City of Beech Grove has provided \$9,450 so far.

This grant will include updating the facades, improving the windows, signage and lighting and tuckpointing.

Jim Coffman- spoke in favor of the OCRA Grant and gave a grief explanation of the Next Stop Beech Grove involvement with it.

Mayor Buckley closed the OCRA Public Hearing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 4, 2018

Councilor Lamping ask that full names to be included, Brenda Kyle, Cliff Babbey Jeff Mader, Antoinette Pizzi.

Councilor Duffer moved to include the names. Councilor Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

September 10, 2018

Councilor Duffer moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilor Templin seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tom Sparks- complained about harassment over his sump pump and stated that the Mayor has weaponized the police department against him because he was taking pictures of other homes that have the same issue. He stated that his sump pump has been the same for years. He said he has always given to Beech Grove and has never attended a City Council meeting until now. He has not been fined, and he has 10 days to come into compliance. City Attorney Wiley stated that he has spoke for longer than his 3 minutes.

Councilor Duffer moved to allow him to continue to speak. Councilor Day seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Richard Buzzbee - spoke against the permit penalizing renters and landlords and he also spoke to the issue with sidewalks on 18th Avenue and every time it rains it floods.

Dave Grenoble -he said he has gotten many responses from the Council on emails he has written them. He also had 2 responses from Mayor Buckley. He voiced his concerns on General Ordinance 13, 2018 and General Ordinance 14, 2018.

Chris Pryor- presented concerns with General Ordinance 13, 2018

Hank Harris – Union Representative, Local #416 -spoke in support of the salary ordinance and the budget.

Jim Coffman – thanked everyone for coming to the Beautify Beech Grove Family Walk.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor's Youth Council

Liz Walters, Principal, Beech Grove High School gave an update on the high school activities.

ABC

Two renewals this morning. A 1 Liquor Store was an automatic renewal for two years. The Silver Bullet had three violations but were approved for one year. Ashley Piland is working with the owner to establish policy which hopefully will alleviate issues. She has been working with the business owners to assist with staying compliant.

Greenscape Commission

None

Compliance Division

In the Packet

Public Safety

In the Council Packet

Financial Report -Presented by Clerk-Treasurer Dan McMillan

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In September we made the following payments:

2015 Police Vehicles - \$12,729.18

2016 DPW & Parks Vehicles Lease- \$26,304.96

Stormwater Fund Balance - \$154, 712.15

On September 18, 2018, I transferred \$706, 892.00 ROI payment from the utility to the corporate account per budget and \$142,196.00 PILOT payment from the utility to corporate per budget.

Thanks to the website volunteers who continue to keep it updated at no cost to the taxpayers. Financial Reports, Debt Service, Bank Balances and more can be found on the City Website at www.beechgrove.com.

The bank balances are listed below

City Corporation	\$4,014,672.26
Utilities	\$432,536.01
Criminal Investigation Fund (CIF)	\$146,928.95
RDC General	\$417,057.00
RDC Debt Service (DSR)	\$240,000.00
2004 SRF Debt Service (DSR)	\$138, 557.73
2015A Refunding Bond Debt Service Reserve (DSR)	\$64,077.30

As always, if you have any questions my door is always open. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan McMillan, Clerk Treasurer
City of Beech Grove

OLD BUSINESS

General Ordinance No.12, 2018

...Amends Chapter 36 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Beech Grove City Policies

Councilor Templin moved to withdraw the ordinance. Councilor Lamping seconded the Motion; which was approved by a 5-1 voice vote. Councilor Harrison voted no.

General Ordinance No.13, 2018

...Is an ordinance that replaces Chapter 155 of the Code of Ordinances concerning Residential Housing Properties in the City of Beech Grove

Councilor Templin moved to table the Ordinance. Councilor Day seconded the motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

General Ordinance No.16, 2018

...2018 Civil City Budget Appropriations and Tax Rate

Clerk Treasurer McMillan read the ordinance into the record

Second Reading - Councilor Templin moved to approve the budget ordinance. Councilor Lamping seconded the Motion: which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Clerk Treasurer McMillan read the ordinance into the record.

Third Reading - Councilor Lamping moved to approve the budget ordinance. Councilor Templin seconded the Motion: which was approved by unanimous voice vote. General Ordinance No.16,2018 was approved on Third and Final reading.

General Ordinance No.15, 2018

...2019 Salary Ordinance

Councilor Lamping moved to read by title only. Councilor Duffer seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Clerk Treasurer McMillan read the ordinance into the record

Second Reading – Councilor Lamping moved to approve the salary ordinance. Councilor Mascari seconded the Motion; which was approved by a 4-2 voice vote. Councilors Duffer and Templin voted no.

Third Reading - Councilor Mascari moved to read by title only. Councilor Duffer seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Clerk Treasurer McMillan read the ordinance into the record.

Councilor Duffer moved to amend on page 6, the third paragraph, to read “the base salary includes \$3,500.00 pay for Indiana Law Enforcement Graduates”. Councilor Templin seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Councilor Harrison moved to amend the police receptionist pay to \$36,419.00 Councilor Lamping seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Councilor Mascari moved to approve with the above amendments. Councilor Lamping seconded the Motion which was approved by a 4-2 voice vote. Councilors Duffer and Templin voted no.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 6, 2018

...Statement of Objection Appealing Tax Rate

Councilor Harrison moved to approve the resolution. Councilor Templin seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Templin- Thanks to the Mayor and City Attorney for tabling General Ordinance No.13. I would like to recognize Mayor Wiley for being at the Meeting. I would thank everyone that spoke, I am also glad the budget is over.

Councilor Brooks - Absent

Councilor Harrison -Thank you to all that attended the meeting, also congratulations to Chief Swartz for being recognized at the ballgame for his 32 years of service to working the school ballgames.

Councilor Mascari - Congratulations Chief, thanks to everyone that came out tonight. I will not be at the next meeting due to work circumstances beyond my control.

Councilor Lamping - Thank You to all that came to the meeting. Kudos to the Benedictine Nuns for their Angels of Grace party. I also passed out brochures on the Hoops program to help the homeless.

Councilor Duffer - Thank to the citizens that spoke tonight. Thanks to Mayor Wiley for being here tonight it was good seeing you.

Councilor Day - Thanks everyone for coming to the meeting especially Mayor Wiley, thanks to police and fire I would also like to recognize my son who is here tonight Kevin Jr.

Mayor Buckley - Upcoming business is the Rental Ordinance, Budget Ordinance, Salary Ordinance, and the Sewer Rate Increase on October 15th which that is all we will discuss that night is the increase in rates.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Templin moved to adjourn. Councilor Lamping seconded the Motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm. The next meeting will be Monday, November 5, 2018 at 7:00pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Dennis Buckley, Mayor

Dan McMillan, Clerk–Treasurer