

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
BETHEL HEIGHTS CITY HALL
April 19, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

The Bethel Heights City Council met in a regular scheduled meeting in the Bethel Heights City Hall. Mayor Cynthia Black called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL: The following members answered the roll call: Debra Cheval, Karen Taylor, Sam Black, Matt Gerlt, Jim Swanson, and Herman Seiter.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE: City Attorney Joe Summerford, Recorder/Treasurer Janet Nelson, Deputy City Clerk Lisa Gibson, and Police Chief Rick Moore were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA: Alderwoman Cheval moved to approve the agenda for April 19, 2016. Alderman Black seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

APPROVE MINUTES: March 15, 2016. Alderman Black moved to approve the minutes of March 15, 2016. Alderman Seiter seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

APPROVE TREASURY REPORT: March 2016. Members reviewed the treasury report. Alderman Swanson moved to approve the treasury report for March 2016. Alderwoman Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

REVIEW OF WASTEWATER TREASURY REPORT: March 2016. Members reviewed the wastewater treasury report.

PUBLIC FORUM:

COMMENTS ON WRITTEN REPORTS: Police Department, Fire Department, Wastewater Department, Street Department, & Building Permits. Alderwoman Cheval asked what was going on with the Fire Department reports. Mayor Black stated that Chief Morris had an issue getting the report to print and that he also discovered that council wasn't getting the full report but that it would be corrected. Alderwoman Cheval asked how the sewer numbers were. Mayor Black stated that she has received a call from ADEQ and will be having a conference call with them and Rick Sayer. Mayor Black stated that the oxygen is still high and five pumps just went out and we weren't aware of them not working any longer which has caused issues.

Call to Order

Roll call

Officials

Pledge

Agenda

Motion to Approve
Motion Passed

Minutes

Motion to Approve
Motion Passed

Treasury Report

Motion to Approve

Motion Passed

**Review of Wastewater
Treasury Report**

Public Forum

**Comments on Written
Reports**

Mayor Black stated that Mr. Sayre continues to find problems but is remaining positive. Chief Moore stated that they have been awarded the Trailblazer from an asset forfeiture and that a search warrant was executed with results being 39 grams of cocaine along with \$4,000 in cash, miscellaneous drugs, and a 2006 Mercedes.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Ordinance No. 350: Rezoning R-2 to R-1:** Mayor Black stated that there are two properties at the corner of Apple Blossom and North Oak Street that years ago the owner had requested the R-2 zoning so that he could place duplexes at the location but then ended up building single family homes, which makes the zoning incorrect for the homes. Alderwoman Cheval moved to read Ordinance No. 350 for its first time by title only. Alderman Black seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Cheval–yes, Taylor–yes, Black–yes, Gerlt–yes, Swanson–yes, and Seiter–yes. City Attorney Summerford read Ordinance No. 350 by title only. Motion passed without dissent.
2. **Resolution 04-19-16: Future Land Use & Master Street Plan:** Mayor Black stated that the public hearing was held at last month’s planning meeting. Alderwoman Cheval motioned to read Resolution 04-19-16 by title only. Alderman Gerlt seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Cheval–yes, Taylor–yes, Black–yes, Gerlt–yes, Swanson–yes, and Seiter–yes. Motion passed. City Attorney Summerford read Resolution 04-19-16 by title only.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Widening of Hwy 265:** Mayor Black stated that she has been given the newest proposed route for Highway 265 that now runs beside Jefferson Street. Mayor Black stated that she is concerned about the proposed route with only having one entrance and exit for all three neighborhoods along Jefferson with no stop light. Mayor Black stated that she is also concerned about the proposed bike lines along the new proposed highway but has been told that those would not be going away. Members reviewed the new proposed map of Highway 265 and discussed the location of the highway and the stop light placements. Alderwoman Cheval asked what the speed limit would be. Mayor Black stated that it would be 50mph. Mayor Black stated that she was told by the Highway Department that it would be breaking ground by 2020. Alderwoman Taylor asked if the Kendrick property was still in litigation. Mayor Black stated yes. Mayor Black stated that verbal comments aren’t acceptable and that she has written a letter and has requested a traffic study for Jefferson Street. Mayor Black stated that she has requested plans for the relocation of the sewer lines that they weren’t aware of being there and that she

Presentation of Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance No. 350
Rezoning R-2 to R-1

Motion to Read

Motion Passed
Resolution 04-19-16:
Future Land Use &
Master Street Plan

Motion to Read

Motion Passed

Old Business

Widening of Hwy 265

has not been contacted at all. Mayor Black stated that she requested copies of the plans at the meeting due to residents asking about the highway and was told she couldn't get a copy unless it went through the chain of command, so after going through that she now has the copy of the plans. Alderwoman Cheval suggested that maybe Mrs. Della Rosa could help or ask Dick Trammell as to why the city isn't being notified and informed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Destruction of Property:** Mayor Black stated that the departments went through the inventory and that the list that was given are items that are broken, not being used, or not found that the departments would like to be able to get rid of. Members discussed the possibilities of selling or donating some of the items and then disposing of the things that are broken. Alderwoman Cheval moved to dispose of the items on the list at the department head's discretion. Alderwoman Taylor seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Seiter–yes, Swanson–yes, Gerlt–yes, Cheval–yes, Taylor–yes, and Black–yes. Motion passed.
2. **Appropriate Funds: Back Pay for Ryan Brock \$4,773.70:** Mayor Black stated that Ryan Brock FOIA his hours for his years of service and requested his back pay. Mayor Black stated that he had 477 hours. Alderman Black moved to appropriate \$4,773.70 for the back pay for Ryan Brock. Alderman Swanson seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Seiter–no, Swanson–yes, Gerlt–yes, Taylor–yes, Black–yes, and Cheval–yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURN MEETING: Alderwoman Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Black seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

APPROVED: Cynthia Black
Mayor

ATTEST: Janet Nelson
Recorder/Treasurer

New Business
Destruction of Property

Motion to Dispose of
Property

Motion Passed
**Appropriate Funds: Back
Pay for Ryan Brock
\$4,773.70**

Motion to Appropriate

Motion Passed

Adjourn Meeting
Motion to Adjourn
Motion Passed