

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
BETHEL HEIGHTS CITY HALL
June 21, 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 7:07 p.m.

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

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

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

APPROVE AGENDA: Alderman Seiter moved to approve the agenda for June 21, 2016. Alderman Black seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

APPROVE MINUTES: May 17, 2016. Alderman Black moved to approve the minutes of May 17, 2016. Alderman Seiter seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.

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

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

PUBLIC FORUM:

COMMENTS ON WRITTEN REPORTS: Police Department, Fire Department, Wastewater Department, Street Department, & Building Permits. Chief Moore stated that the charger came in today and that the windows would need to be tinted, the vehicle will have to be striped, and equipment installed. Chief Moore stated that the car should be ready within 3-4 weeks. Chief Moore stated that he had \$7500 of trade-in. Chief Moore informed that a pick-up truck that was seized has been awarded to the police department.

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**

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Ordinance No. 348: Amending No. 169 Driveways & Access:**
Mayor Black reminded members that this ordinance comes from the Planning Commission. Alderman Black moved to suspend the rules and place and read Ordinance No. 348 on its third and final reading by title only. Alderman Swanson seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Taylor–yes, Black–yes, Gerlt–yes, Swanson–yes, and Seiter–yes. Attorney Summerford read Ordinance No. 348 by title only. Motion Passed. Alderman Black moved to approve Ordinance No. 348 on its third and final reading. Alderman Gerlt seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Seiter–yes, Swanson–yes, Gerlt–yes, Black–yes, and Taylor–yes. Motion passed without dissent.
2. **Ordinance No. 351: Streets, Sidewalks, & Driveways:** Mayor Black reminded members that this ordinance comes from the Planning Commission. Alderman Black moved to suspend the rules and place and read Ordinance No. 351 on its third and final reading by title only. Alderwoman Taylor seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Taylor–yes, Black–yes, Gerlt–yes, Swanson–yes, and Seiter–yes. Attorney Summerford read Ordinance No. 351 by title only. Motion Passed. Alderman Black moved to approve Ordinance No. 351 on its third and final reading. Alderman Gerlt seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Seiter–yes, Swanson–yes, Gerlt–yes, Black–yes, and Taylor–yes. Motion passed without dissent.
3. **Ordinance No. 352: Sewer Bond & Licensing Requirements:**
Mayor Black stated that this ordinance does have an emergency clause and has been recommended by the city’s engineer for future projects dealing with the sewer system. Alderman Black made a motion to place Ordinance No. 352 on its one and only reading by title only with the emergency clause. Alderman Gerlt seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Seiter–yes, Swanson–yes, Gerlt–yes, Black–yes, and Taylor–yes. Attorney Summerford read Ordinance No. 352 by title only. Motion Passed. Alderman Black moved to approve Ordinance No. 352 with the emergency clause. Alderwoman Taylor seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Taylor–yes, Black–yes, Seiter–yes, Swanson–yes, and Gerlt–yes. Motion passed without dissent.

Presentation of Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance No. 348
Amending No. 169
Driveways & Access
Motion to Read

Motion Passed
Motion to Approve

Motion Passed
Ordinance No. 351: Streets,
Sidewalks, & Driveways

Motion to Read

Motion Passed
Motion to Approve

Motion Passed
Ordinance No. 352 Sewer
Bond & Licensing
Requirements

Motion to Read

Motion Passed
Motion to Approve

Motion Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Sanitation Bids:** Mayor Black stated that three bid packets were picked up with only two bids being submitted. Alderwoman Taylor asked if Mayor Black knew why the bid from Waste Management came back so high. Mayor Black stated that she didn't know. Alderwoman Taylor asked when the current contract is up. Mayor Black stated October 31st and that the current company must be notified between 90-130 days. Mayor Black stated that Inland does have a local office here in town. Mayor Black stated that she contacted Mayor Hines from Rogers but didn't receive a call back and that she had contacted the mayor from Harrison. Mayor Black informed the members that the mayor from Harrison stated that they switched from Waste Management to Inland and that the city does the billing. The mayor from Harrison stated that the transition was a bit rough and had a few issues, but are now running smooth. Alderman Seiter stated that the turn over from Deffenbaugh to Waste Management wasn't handled well and that he had to go to Tonitown to make his yearly payment. Mayor Black stated that if Inland wins the bid, the pick-up day would change to Tuesday. Mayor Black stated that the current rate is \$37.06 every three months. Members discussed the pricing difference. Alderwoman Taylor asked if the service would be the same and if there would be a bulky pick-up. Mayor Black stated yes. Alderman Swanson asked how long the contract was for. Mayor Black stated that the contract is for five years. Alderwoman Taylor asked if the containers would have to be switched out. Mayor Black stated yes. Alderman Seiter stated that he would prefer to stay. Mayor Black stated a decision would be needed by July. Alderman Black stated that he doesn't believe the council members would be good stewards of the community if the vote was for Waste Management due to the doubling of the rates. Alderwoman Taylor moved to accept the bid from Inland and to allow Mayor Black and City Clerk Janet Nelson to enter into contract with Inland. Alderman Black seconded the motion. Mayor Black called the roll and the following votes were recorded: Taylor-yes, Black-yes, Gerlt-yes, Swanson-yes, and Seiter-no. Motion passed.
2. **Mosquito Spraying:** Alderman Seiter asked why the mosquito spraying is taking place in the mornings versus the evening. Mayor Black stated that it works better for the employees and the city isn't having to pay overtime. Alderman Seiter stated that he prefers the spraying to be done in the evenings.

Old Business

New Business

Sanitation Bids

Motion to Accept & Enter into Contract

Motion Passed

Mosquito Spraying

ADJOURN MEETING: Alderman Black moved to adjourn the meeting.
Alderman Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.
Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Adjourn Meeting
Motion to Adjourn
Motion Passed

APPROVED: Cynthia Black
Mayor

ATTEST: Janet Nelson
Recorder/Treasurer