

Beaver Falls City Council met in regular session on June 28, 2022 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers of the City Building. The meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Peggy Evans. The prayer was offered by City Manager Charles Jones Jr. that was followed by the pledge to the flag.

Deputy Mayor Evans welcomed everyone to the meeting tonight.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor Peggy Evans	City Clerk Paula Durish
Councilman Leonard Chiappetta	Police Sergeant Justin Schlie
Councilman John Kirkland	DPW Superintendent Patrick Burdine
City Solicitor Shannon Steele	Chief Financial Officer Sandy Wilkins
City Manager Charles Jones Jr.	Director of Community Development Rochelle Burks

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2022 council meeting. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent
Motion Passed				

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA

Mrs. Durish said no residents of the 3200 block/4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue are here tonight to speak about item #9, Safety Committee recommendation for speeding in the alley. It should be taken off the agenda.

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to adopt Ordinance 4076 approving the agreement with the Big Beaver Falls Area School District to collect the district's Mercantile Tax. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent
Motion Passed				

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to adopt Resolution 1639 approving a list of General Fund expenditures/Payroll expenditures in the amount of \$463,164.98. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent
Motion Passed				

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to adopt Resolution 1640 approving the sale of a 2015 Ford Explorer to the Big Beaver Falls Area School District in the amount of \$9,800.00. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent
Motion Passed				

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to adopt Resolution 1641 approving the disposal of a 2010 Ford Expedition pursuant to the city's corporate powers under the Third Class City Code. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to adopt Resolution 1642 approving the sale of a 2013 Chevy Caprice thru Municibid (the municipal bidding process). The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

Mrs. Durish said firefighters Curtis Pagley and Seth Stowe, who were previously hired contingent upon their passing the physical and psychological tests, began full time duty at 8:00AM on June 27, 2022.

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to appoint Darian Grant to the Zoning Hearing Board as an alternate member at the recommendation of Fire Chief Stowe. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to approve the recommendation of the Safety Committee and grant Hope Community Reformed Presbyterian Church to host their block party on August 20<sup>th</sup> and close 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 34<sup>th</sup> Street to 35<sup>th</sup> Street and 34<sup>th</sup> Street from 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Pear Alley from 3PM to 8PM. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to grant the request made by Troy Jeter and Aaron Garcia to purchase 921 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, BF from the county repository to renovate and use as an investment property. The request for tax exoneration was approved and a lien, after Council's 50% exoneration, in the amount of \$459.50 must be paid prior to receiving paperwork from the Code Office. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to grant the request made by Troy Jeter and Aaron Garcia to purchase 823 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, BF from the county repository to renovate and use as an investment property. The request for tax exoneration was approved and a lien, after Council's 50% exoneration, in the amount of \$48.90 must be paid prior to receiving paperwork from the Code Office. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to table the request made by ELMM Enterprises, LLC to purchase 1315 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, BF from the county repository to use as a primary residence. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to grant the request made by Brandon Moorefield to purchase 1301 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, BF from the county repository to use as his primary residence. The request for tax exoneration was approved and a lien, after Council's 50% exoneration, in the amount of \$1,735.50 must be paid prior to receiving paperwork from the Code Office. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion Passed

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Burdine said they are sweeping the streets, cutting repository properties grass and maintaining the city playgrounds.

Ms. Burks reported the Juneteenth celebration was a success and thanked everyone involved. She also said she was pleased with all the support she received. The new website is up and needs tweaking. Please let her know if there are any changes that are needed.

Police Sergeant Schlie said there were DUI checks made at the Beaver Falls-New Brighton Bridge on June 24<sup>th</sup> with 4 DUI arrests and 29 traffic citations.

#### CITIZENS COMMENTS

Cindy Cook – 4720 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, BF – was present to voice her concerns on the safety of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Playground. She believes cameras there would avoid mischief.

Deputy Mayor Evans said there are cameras, they were moved. The gates are now being locked.

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A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to adjourn the meeting at 7:28PM.  
The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent
Motion Passed				

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