

Beaver Falls City Council met in regular session at 7:00PM on February 14, 2023 in Council Chambers of the City Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenya Johns. The prayer was offered by Councilwoman Vanessa Ford Taylor that was followed by the pledge to the flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Kenya Johns	City Clerk Paula Durish
Councilwoman Vanessa Taylor	Police Chief David Johnson
Councilman Leonard Chiappetta	Fire Chief Mark Stowe
Councilwoman Peggy Evans	DPW Superintendent Patrick Burdine
Councilman John "Chuckie" Kirkland	WWTP Manager Joe Durish Jr.
City Solicitor Shannon Steele	Chief Financial Officer Sandy Wilkins
City Engineer (Widmer's) Tony Sadaka	Director of Community Development Rochelle Burks
City Manager Charles Jones Jr.	

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2023 council meeting. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA - NONE

A motion was made by Ms. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Chiappetta to adopt Ordinance 4082 approving the City's Administrative Code. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4083 approving the sale of property located at 14th Avenue, BF (parcel 06-007-0603.000) to Darrin Cole, BF for \$1,000.00. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4084 approving the sale of property located at 19th Street, BF (parcel 06-008-0701.000) to Darrin Cole, BF for \$1,000.00. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4085 approving the agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 13 Bridge Street, BF. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4086 approving the agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 15 Bridge Street, BF. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4087 approving the agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 817 3rd Avenue, BF. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4088 approving the agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 1514 3rd Avenue, BF. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4089 approving the agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 1824 6th Avenue, BF. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4090 approving the agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 1931 6th Avenue, BF. The vote was:

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Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Ordinance 4091 approving an agreement with the Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County to demolish 1312-1314 10th Avenue, BF. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Ms. Taylor to adopt Resolution 1674 approving a list of General Fund and Payroll expenditures in the amount of \$563,604.67. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to table the request submitted by Trey Bolan to purchase 815 9th Avenue, BF from the county repository to renovate and use as his residence. Council requires the intended purchaser to be present and Mr. Bolan was not. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Mr. Kirkland and seconded by Ms. Taylor to table the recommendation of the Beaver Falls Municipal Authority Board and appoint Anthony Comer to the BFMA Board for a term of five years expiring December 31, 2027. Council requires those recommended for appointments or re-appointments be present and Mr. Comer was not. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

A motion was made by Ms. Evans and seconded by Ms. Taylor to refund \$490.25 to Tabernacle Baptist Church as they paid their 2023 City Real Estate Tax but are tax exempt. The vote was:

Taylor	Chiappetta	Evans	Kirkland	Johns
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion Passed

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Steele reported she has been working with the Code Office on legal issues, has a hearing on Thursday, has reviewed the Administrative Code and has no information to provide to Attorney Torrence.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Burdine reported that his department had 61 calls, read tasks from his January report and said street sweeping will begin April 3rd.

Mr. Sadaka said the contractor plans to be on site at 37th Street Ballfield beginning February 15th estimating the fence will be completed in about two weeks.

Mr. Durish stated that the permit renewal testing is done, the results will be given to Widmer's and once issued, the permit is good for five (5) years.

Ms. Burks said a Cinco de Mayo celebration is being planned from noon to 10PM at March Park (beside the library) on May 5th and the Beaver Falls Core event is planned for April 29th from 5PM to 9PM also at March Park.

Chief Stowe reported a total of 119 calls for service for the fire department during January, an estimated fire loss of \$10,000.00 and a total of 189 training hours.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

CITIZENS COMMENTS

A motion was made by Mr. Chiappetta and seconded by Mr. Kirkland to adjourn the meeting at 7:45PM. The vote was:

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

