

The regular meeting of the Beverly Town Council was held Monday, March 11, 2024 at 6:30 pm in council chambers of Beverly Town Hall. With the absence of Mayor Andy Burns, Council member Connie Pingley presided over the meeting in the presence of Council members Matt Lewis, Robbie Moyer, Katie Whittaker, Kenny Pritt, Recorder Sheila Scott Strahin and Clerk Robin Wilson. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and the prayer was given by Robbie Moyer.

### **MINUTES**

Motion made by Katie Whittaker to approve February 12, 2023 minutes without reading aloud. Seconded by Robbie Moyer. Motion carried.

### **VISITORS/PUBLIC HEARING**

Darel Hardy, Liam Moyer, Hunter Shaffer and parent Ashley Shaffer were present to observe for the Boy Scouts.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Celtic Festival & Highland Games will be on June 14<sup>th</sup> at the 4H Camp. They are seeking a donation from council again this year. Katie Whittaker moved and Kenny ~~Weese~~ <sup>Pritt</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> to give them \$1,000. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Beverly Elementary School playground donation is tabled until after the budget is set. Matt Lewis made a motion to have Ms. Ross come back and explain the funds needed again before deciding this year. Robbie Moyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. Opioid Fund- Clerk Wilson gave a report on opening a checking account. Robbie Moyer made a motion to creating a checking account for the opioid funds. Katie Whittaker 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
4. Water & Sewer Boards – Clerk Wilson showed a report on the past 2 years of bills paid by the town for the building, explaining that utilities have raised. Rent should be raised to \$300 each department per month, paying \$900 per quarter to cover the increase. Kenny Pritt made the motion to accept this raise on rent. Robbie Moyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Sewer Board met in February and agreed to a Line of Credit at Citizens Bank to assist in paying sewer project bills until the project grant funds come through. Mayor Burns needs to be executor over these documents. Robbie Moyer made the motion to proceed and allow Mayor Burns authority to sign documents procuring the Line of Credit. Kenny Pritt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. A cost estimate for 2 new computers, one for the utility clerk and one for the town clerk from MiTec was reviewed. The new computers are tabled until next meeting to get quotes/costs from other places.
3. A Budget workshop is set for March 18, 2024 at 6:30 to work on the Levy Estimate.
4. There are 5 CDs coming up for renewal and the interest rates are very low on them right now. Katie Whittaker motioned to send Mayor Burns to negotiate better interest rates. Robbie Moyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Good Friday- Matt Lewis made the motion to let the employees have Good Friday, March 29, 2024 off. Robbie Moyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

6. Sidewalk and Bridge- the bridge railing on the sidewalk by Becky Weese's house has fallen and needs repaired. Matt Lewis made the motion to get it fixed as soon as possible. Robbie Moyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in Favor. Motion carried.

#### CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

Chief Vanscoy reports that most of the opioid funds will be used for the purchase of drug testing kits since the current ones the offices have are close to expiration.

Officers Training – All Officers are required to have 16 hours each year of In-Service Training. Officer Wilson can receive 8 hours on May 8<sup>th</sup> on WV Case Law class in Buckhannon. Robbie Moyer made the motion to have Officer Wilson attend. Matt Lewis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

Clerk Wilson pointed out there were 3 pay periods during the month of February.

#### APPROVAL OF VENDOR INVOICES

Robbie Moyer made the motion to accept the vender invoices and pay them. Katie Whittaker 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### UPDATES & INFORMATION

Permit & Fees Committee – Still need forms & fees set.  
Water & Sewer Board Meeting Minutes & Plant Operator Reports were sent via email.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Matt Lewis made the motion to adjourn. Robbie Moyer 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Andy Burns, Mayor



Sheila Scott Strahin, Recorder