

**MICHAEL A. O'CONNOR
MAYOR**

**THOMAS J. PAVLIK
CITY CLERK**

**MINUTES
BERWYN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 24, 2005**

- 1) The regular meeting of the Berwyn City Council was called to order at 8:10 p.m., with Mayor O'Connor presiding. Upon the call of the roll, the following members responded present: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Absent: none. Thereafter, the Mayor declared a quorum present and the meeting duly convened for further business.
 - 1a) The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Mayor called for a moment of silence for the betterment of the community.
 - 1b) The open forum portion of the meeting was announced. There being no speakers, the open forum was closed.
- 2) The minutes of the 1st Berwyn City Council meeting held on May 10, 2005, were submitted. Brocato made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 3) The minutes of the 2nd Berwyn City Council meeting held on May 10, 2005, were submitted. Brocato made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to amend item #8 on its face by deleting Skryd for the second and inserting Chapman. The motion to approve the minutes as amended carried by voice vote.
- 4) The Mayor submitted a communication recommending that the position of City Sealer be eliminated and allow the State of Illinois to begin the process of certification, at no cost to the City of Berwyn. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur in the recommendation as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 5) The Mayor submitted a comparison chart of local municipalities and their hours of operation. Brocato made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to refer the matter to the Administration Committee for study and report. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 6) The Mayor submitted an ordinance drawn by the Law Department entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 210.14 ON STANDING COMMITTEES AND ADDING THE POSITION OF LIBRARY LIAISON IN THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to concur, adopt the ordinance as presented and authorize the appropriate corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.

- 7) The Mayor submitted a communication requesting concurrence in his appointments to the Aldermanic Committees as follows:

FIRE & POLICE

Mark Weiner, Chair
Joel Erickson
Nona Chapman

ADMINISTRATION

Joel Erickson, Chair
Santiago Ramos
Robert Lovero

BUDGET

Nona Chapman, Chair
Michael Phelan
Mark Weiner

B/Z/PLANNING

Michele Skryd, Chair
Michael Phelan
Mark Weiner

EDUCATION

S. Ramos, Chair
Robert Lovero
Michele Skryd

LIBRARY LIAISON

Nona Chapman

ORD. RESOL.

R. Lovero, Chair
Joel Erickson
Benedict Brocato

PUBLIC WORKS

B. Brocato, Chair
Nona Chapman
Michele Skryd

RECREATION

Michael Phelan, Chair
Benedict Brocato
Santiago Ramos

Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to concur in the recommendation of the Mayor's appointments as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

- 8) The Mayor submitted a communication requesting the Fire and Police Committee implement a cost/benefit study of Medical Reimbursement Services Inc. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to refer the matter to the Fire and Police Committee. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 9) The Mayor submitted a request from District 100 Superintendent Dr. Wernet to allow teacher parking along 31st Street, west of Ridgeland Avenue to the driveway for Police station lot. Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and grant permission. After discussion, the motion carried by voice vote.
- 10) The Mayor submitted a communication informing Council of the reinstatement of Gerald F. O'Connor to the position of City Inspector with the Building Department. After discussion, Chapman made a

motion, seconded by Skryd, to accept the matter as informational. The motion carried by voice vote.

- 11) The Mayor submitted recommendations from Daniel LeBeau, Building Director, pertaining to dormers and second story additions. Brocato made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to waive the reading and refer the matter to the Building/Zoning/Planning Committee and Ordinance/Resolution Committee. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 12) The Mayor submitted a recommendations from Daniel LeBeau, Building Director, regarding Compliance Inspections. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to waive the reading and refer the matter to the Building/Zoning/Planning Committee. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 13) The Mayor submitted a communication recommending that the membership of the Community Relations Board be increased in size from five (5) members to eleven (11) with the new members terms expiring on June 14, 2007. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to concur in the recommendation as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 14) The Mayor submitted a communication recommending to eliminate the Berwyn resident's requirement for auto insurance while acquiring City Stickers. Lovero made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur in the recommendation. Discussion ensued. Lovero amended his motion, seconded by Chapman, to read as follows: Eliminate a Berwyn residents requirement from showing proof of auto insurance for the purchase of a City sticker. After further discussion, Brocato made a motion to require first time applicants to show proof of insurance. The motion failed for lack of a second. Thereafter, the motion by Lovero carried by voice vote with Brocato voting nay.
- 15) The Mayor submitted a communication requesting that building permit fees be waived for Chris Lechoski, an Iraqi war veteran. After discussion, the Mayor amended his communication (not to exceed \$100.00) for waiver of fees. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Weiner to concur in the Mayor's recommendation. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erikson. Nays: none.
- 16) The City Clerk submitted a communication requesting permission to go forward with the 2005 Dollars for Scholars Scholarship program with the following recommendations for the Scholarship Committee.

Thomas J. Pavlik, Chair
Jean Marie Hajer-Secretary

Gary Pater, Treasurer
Jim Swicionis, Member

Aimee Sordelli, Member

After discussion, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to concur in the recommendation and approve the Scholarship Committee as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

- 17) A deferred Resolution was submitted by the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding a variance for Fredy Sanchez, 1421 Clarence Avenue, to construct a single family residence on a 25' lot. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur in the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals and deny said Resolution as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 18) A deferred Resolution and Ordinance was submitted by the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding a variance for Zofia Janiga, 2826 Harvey Avenue, to construct a single family ranch home. Skryd made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur and adopt the Resolution and Ordinance as presented and authorize the appropriate corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 19) Alderman Weiner submitted a communication regarding free gasoline for Alderman and City employees. After discussion, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Phelan to refer the matter to the Budget Committee. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 20) The Public Works Committee submitted a communication recommending the City award the 2005 C.D.B.G. Alley Improvement contract to G. & M. Cement Construction Company, the lowest most responsible bidder in the amount of \$427,567.50. Brocato made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur in the recommendation as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 21) Alderman Chapman submitted the Payroll Report for May 18, 2005, in the total amount of \$751,860.45. Skryd made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to concur in the recommendation and approve for payment. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 22) Alderman Chapman submitted the Payables for May 24, 2005, in the total amount of \$1,236,203.77. Skryd made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur in the recommendation and approve for payment.

The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.

- 23) Alderman Chapman submitted a communication requesting that item #5, dated September 28, 2004, (establish 501c Foundation) be removed from the Library referral list. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to defer generally. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 24) Alderman Chapman submitted a communication requesting that item #12, dated February 10, 2004, (no bid contract millennium contract) be removed from the Library referral list. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Lovero, to defer generally. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 25) Alderman Chapman submitted a communication requesting that item #7, dated April 26, 2005, (appointment A. Castrogiovanni to Library Board) be removed from the Library referral list. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to defer generally. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 26) Alderman Ramos submitted a communication requesting a tree removal from the parkway at 3219 Clarence Avenue. Ramos made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to concur in the recommendation and refer the matter to the Public Works Department for removal of same. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 27) City Collector Alba Lovero submitted a communication regarding solicitation by U.S. Energy Savings Corporation. After discussion, Brocato made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to deny the request as presented. The motion to deny carried by voice vote.
- 28) Tom Martirano submitted a communication regarding the Maintenance Agreement with the Cook County Hiway Department for reimbursement to the Public Works Department in the amount of \$13,796.38 for maintenance of county roads. Brocato made a motion to defer and refer the matter to the Public Works Department. After discussion, Brocato withdrew his motion and made another motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur, adopt the Maintenance Agreement as present and authorize the appropriate corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 29) Tom Martirano submitted a communication regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement with IDOT and the City for maintenance

- of State roads in the amount of \$82,632.00. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, which was unanimously seconded to concur, adopt the Intergovernmental Agreement as presented and authorize the appropriate corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 30) The Berwyn Police Department submitted a request for a handicapped sign for William Healy, 1824 Kenilworth Avenue. After discussion, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to concur in the recommendation of the investigating officer and refer the matter to the Public Works Department for installation of said sign. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 31) Tom Martirano submitted a communication from Waste Management indicating a price increase of 2% for their services, effective August 1, 2005. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to refer the matter to the Mayor's office for further review. The motion carried by voice vote.
- 32) Kevin Kelly, Executive Director of the Berwyn Development Corporation submitted a request for S. Berwyn Depot District TIF facade rehabilitation at 6926-6936 Windsor Avenue. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Brocato, to waive the reading. The motion carried by voice vote. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur in the recommendation and approve funding not to exceed \$103,168.50. The motion was carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none.
- 33) Kevin Kelly, Executive Director of the BDC submitted a Letter of Intent from Appleland II LLC to purchase Superblock for the establishment of a restaurant. After discussion, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Phelan to accept the Letter of Intent and place it on file. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: none. Weiner: Recused.
- 34) Kevin Kelly, Executive Director of the BDC submitted a request for S. Berwyn/Depot District TIF funding in the amount of \$10,000 for an outdoor patio project at Olive Or Twist, 6906 Windsor Avenue. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Lovero, to concur in the recommendation and approve funding in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Brocato, Phelan, Lovero. Nays: Erickson.

35) At this time, the Consent Agenda, items K-1 through K-3 were submitted:

- K-1 Ace Hardware, 6316 Ogden Avenue-Sidewalk Sale-Sept. 3, 2005
- K-2 Block Party-1900 block Harvey, July 3, 2005-Rain day, July 4, 2005
- K-3 City Collector-business licenses issued during April, 2005

Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd to concur, grant permission and accept the matters as informational. The motion carried by voice vote.

- 36) The Mayor called a Committee of the Whole meeting for Tuesday, June 7, 2005, at 6:00 p.m. on referrals.
- 37) Alderman Chapman called a Budget Committee meeting for Tuesday, June 7, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. on referrals.
- 38) Alderman Ramos called an Education Committee meeting for Tuesday, June 7, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. on referrals.
- 39) Alderman Weiner called a Fire and Police Committee meeting for Wednesday, June 8, 2005, at 6:30 p.m., on referrals.
- 40) Alderman Skryd called a Building, Zoning and Planning Committee meeting for Wednesday, June 1, 2005, at 8:00 p.m., on referrals.
- 41) There being no further business to come before the meeting, same was, after a motion by Brocato, seconded by Phelan, adjourned at the hour of 8:55 p.m., by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas J. Pavlik
City Clerk