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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

MINUTES
BERWYN CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 26, 2008

1. The regular meeting of the Berwyn City Council was called to order by Mayor O'Connor at 8:35 p.m. Upon the call of the roll, the following responded present: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Absent: none.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed for the safety of our armed forces, police, firefighters, and paramedics.
3. The Open Forum portion of the meeting was announced. Mary Karasek, 7015 W. 29th St. reminded the Mayor that the Clerk was the custodian of the records regarding the signature petitions, under question, that were handed out during the Public Hearing-Deb Lafferty, 3736 Clarence spoke on the behavior of the Council members and compared it to when the Bojovic bothers were council members and commented on the Clerk commenting at will and that she is embarrassed by his behavior-Joe Dembroski, 2126 Gunderson spoke regarding the Mayor's comment directed to the City's Forestry department, of being to slow and to old to handle the work, and asked the Mayor to reconsider outsourcing to non union contractors to do the work-Alderman Tom Day informed all of the 911 Memorial service to be held at Havlicek School at 10 am on September 11th -Alderman Lovero thanked Paul Zimmerman, the BDC, and all who helped to make the Roosevelt Road Street Fair a success-Alderman Skryd spoke on her back to school event in the 4th Ward and thanked Representative Lisa Hernandez, the Berwyn Park District, and Harmony Heath for their help and also asked for help in the search for Houby Day queen contestants-Skryd also requested zoning signage, similar to what was posted in the municipal lot for the Depot garage, for the proposed abuse clinic in the 4th ward located on 26th Street-Alderman Ramos invited all to his annual Larry Menchetti Memorial block party to be held on Sunday, August 31st - Rich Payne, 2616 Cuyler commented that he is not in favor of a non partisan election at this time.
4. The minutes of the regular City Council meeting and the Committee of the Whole for August 12, 2008 were submitted. Thereafter, Erickson made a

motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a voice vote.

5. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted a communication along with ordinances regarding the Depot District TIF Amendment. Thereafter, the Mayor referred to Anthony Griffin, Executive Director of the BDC, who surmised the ordinances and stated that each ordinance needed to be adopted individually. Thereafter, an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APPROVING AND AMENDED TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PROJECT FOR THE SOUTH BERWYN CORRIDOR TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and **adopt** the ordinance as presented and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

6. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESIGNATING THE AMENDED SOUTH BERWYN CORRIDOR TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA OF SAID CITY, A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA PURSUANT TO THE TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION REDEVELOPMENT ACT

Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and **adopt** the ordinance as presented and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

7. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ADOPTING TAX INCREMENT ALLOCATION FINANCING FOR THE AMENDED SOUTH BERWYN CORRIDOR TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and **adopt** the ordinance as presented and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

8. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted a communication regarding the Municipal Parking Deck, and requested the continued use of Walker Construction for the construction phase. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and approve in an amount not to exceed \$200,000. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
9. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted a communication regarding the Harlem Metra Station Lease with a request to draft an RFP for the vacant office space at the Harlem Avenue station. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
10. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted a communication regarding the TIF application for Nicholas and Angela DiBrizzi, 7005 Roosevelt Road. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Lovero, to concur and approve as submitted in an amount not to exceed \$21,000. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
11. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to suspend the rules and bring forth item F-2 and to mark F-1 as germane. The motion carried by a voice vote. F-2 is a communication from the Mayor regarding the proposed non partisan referendum question for the November 4, 2008 ballot. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur and adopt the Resolution as presented. During the call of the roll, Chapman requested copies of the petitions that were handed over to the Mayor at the Monday, August 25th Public Hearing. Discussion ensued. Thereafter, the motion was defeated by the following roll call: Yeas: Ramos, Weiner, Erickson. Nays: Chapman, Skryd, Day, Phelan, Lovero.
12. Skryd made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to suspend the rules and bring forth item H-1 and mark F-3 as germane. The motion carried. H-1 is Resolution and Ordinance from the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding a request for a variation from the City of Berwyn for a Municipal Garage at 3310 Grove Avenue. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and adopt the Resolution and Ordinance as presented and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
13. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the MRA contract amendment. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Day, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: Skryd.

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14. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the damage to the Public Work's Clam Truck. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion to refer the matter to the Finance director to scrap the vehicle. The motion failed due to the lack of a second. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to refer the matter to the Public Works committee. The motion carried by a voice vote.
15. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding a Business License inspector for the City Collector's office. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Phelan, to refer the matter to the Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by a voice vote.
16. The Mayor submitted a communication requesting the removal of referral items from the Committee of the Whole list. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to accept the matter as informational. The motion carried by a voice vote.
17. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to suspend the rules and bring forth item J-6 as germane to F-8. F-8 is a communication from the Mayor regarding Tree Trimming and to extend the contract with an outside contractor in an amount not to exceed \$145,000. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to concur and approve as submitted in an amount not to exceed \$145,000. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Ramos, Weiner, Day, Phelan, Erickson. Nays: Chapman, Skryd, Lovero.
18. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding a grievance filed by Public Works union. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to refer to the Mayor as discussed in closed Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by a voice vote.
19. The Mayor submitted a Resolution accepting the Cook County Interoperable Communication System. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to table the Resolution until the end of the meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.
20. The City Clerk submitted a communication regarding Early Voting for the November 4, 2008, Presidential election, to be held at the Berwyn City Hall, Clerk's office from October 13 through October 30, 2008. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to accept the matter as informational. The motion carried by a voice vote.
21. Alderman Chapman submitted a communication regarding Library Board appointments requesting the Mayor to fill the four (4) vacancies. After

discussion, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to accept the matter as informational. The motion carried by a voice vote.

22. Alderman Ramos submitted a communication regarding Pedestrian safety in crosswalks requesting "A" frame signs be installed around our schools, parks, and library. After discussion, Ramos made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to refer to the Traffic Engineer for a cost study. The motion carried by a voice vote.
23. Alderman Weiner submitted a communication regarding Street Sweeping, and a news article entitled "The City that Never Sweeps". Thereafter, Weiner made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to refer the matter to the Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by a voice vote.
24. Alderman Skryd submitted a communication regarding the installation of netting in the area of Baseball fields at Baseball Alley. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Phelan, to refer the matter to a Joint Budget and Recreation committee meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Ramos, Day, Phelan, Erickson, O'Connor. Nays: Chapman, Weiner, Skryd, Lovero.
25. A deferred communication from the Law department regarding job description Resolutions for Administrative Assistant to the Mayor, Assistant Fire Chief, Director of Community Development, Director of Community Outreach, Director of Neighborhood Affairs, Director of Finance, Grants Administrator/Community Development, Director of Human Resources. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur and adopt the resolutions as presented. The motion was defeated by the following roll call: Yeas: Weiner, Day, Erickson. Nays: Chapman, Ramos, Skryd, Phelan, Lovero.
26. The Law department submitted a communication regarding Case No: 08 C 897 (U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois) for a settlement amount of \$4,501. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve for payment. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
27. The Law department submitted an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ENACT A REGULATION PROHIBITING SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC ON SCOVILLE AVENUE FROM TURNING EASTBOUND ONTO 26TH ST.

Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Lovero, to concur and adopt as amended on face and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

28. The Law department submitted an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ENACT A TEMPORARY PROHIBITING TRAFFIC ON OGDEN AVENUE FROM TURNING NORTHBOUND ONTO KENILWORTH AVENUE AT CERTAIN SPECIFIED HOURS

Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and adopt the ordinance as amended on face and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

29. Phelan by Skryd to continue the meeting beyond 10:00 p.m. per ordinance. The motion carried by a voice vote.

30. The building director submitted a communication regarding Metra's request to waive permit fee. After discussion, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion was defeated by the following roll call: Yeas: Skryd, Day, Erickson. Nays: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Phelan, Lovero.

31. The library director submitted a communication requesting the replacement of 3 staff members. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Ramos, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

32. The tabled Resolution from the Mayor was presented entitled:
A Resolution accepting the Cook County Interoperable Communication System

Thereafter, Weiner made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and adopt the Resolution as presented. The motion carried by a voice vote.

33. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to suspend the rules and bring forth item K-4 from the Consent agenda. The motion failed on the following roll call: Yeas: Weiner, Erickson. Nays: Chapman, Ramos, Skryd, Day, Phelan, Lovero.

Consent Agenda K-1 through K-15 was submitted:

K-1 The Budget Chairman submitted the payroll for August 20, 2008 in the Amount of \$946,945.53

K-2 The Budget Chairman submitted the payables for August 26, 2008 in

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The amount of \$1,067,534.22.

- K-3 Alderman Chapman submitted a request for a handicap sign for S. Klemchuk, 7014 w. 34th St. with a recommendation to **approve**
- K-4 Alderman Ramos submitted a request for a handicap sign for Mrs. Chavez, 3736 Lombard with a recommendation to **deny**
- K-5 Alderman Weiner submitted a request for a handicap sign for T. Powell, 6830 W. 26th St. with a recommendation to **approve**
- K-6 Alderman Weiner submitted a request for a handicap sign for D. Mantis, 6943 W. 30th Place with a recommendation to **approve**
- K-7 Alderman Skryd submitted a request for a handicap sign for R. Gilbert, 2812 Highland with a recommendation to **approve**
- K-8 Alderman Phelan submitted a request for a handicap sign for M. Capiluppo, 1531 Scoville with the recommendation to **approve**
- K-9 The Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago & Northwest Indiana requested Solicitation from October 1, 2008 through March 1, 2009
- K-10 The Knights of Columbus requested a Tootsie Roll Drive for September 19, 20, and 21, 2008
- K-11 Fitzgerald's Night Club requested "Dog Days Jamboree" on August 22, 2008. Permission granted by Mayor prior to Council meeting
- K-12 Cicero Chamber of Commerce & Industry submitted a request for the Annual Houby Festival and Parade on October 3rd through October 5th
- K-13 A block party for the 3100 block of Maple on September 6, 2008
- K-14 A block party for the 2800 block of Wenonah on August 31, 2008
- K-15 Cigars and Strips requested an Open Mic Comedy Show on September 4, 2008

Thereafter, Ramos made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and approve by Omnibus Vote Designation. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Phelan, Lovero. Nays: Erickson.

- 34. The Mayor called for a Committee of the Whole meeting for Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 6:00 pm and a closed Committee of the Whole following the September 9, 2008 City Council meeting.
- 35. Alderman Phelan called a Public Works committee meeting for Monday, September 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. for referrals
- 36. Alderman Skryd called an Administration meeting for Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. for referrals
- 37. Alderman Weiner and Ramos called for a joint Budget and Recreation meeting for Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. for referrals

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38. There being no further business to come before the meeting, same was, After a motion by Erickson, seconded by Skryd, to adjourn at the hour of 10:16 p.m. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Pavlik
City Clerk