

**MICHAEL A. O'CONNOR**  
**MAYOR**

**THOMAS J. PAVLIK**  
**CITY CLERK**

**MINUTES**  
**BERWYN CITY COUNCIL**  
**NOVEMBER 25, 2008**

1. The regular meeting of the Berwyn City Council was called to order by Mayor O'Connor at 8:00 p.m. Upon the call of the roll, the following responded present: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Phelan, Lovero, Erickson.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed for the deceased mother of city engineer, John Fitzgerald, the husband of former library board member, Margaret Otto, and for the father-in-law of the mayor, Martin J. Hasler, Sr.
3. The Open Forum portion of the meeting was announced. Mike Volpe spoke on behalf of Assessor Houlihan regarding the appeals of property taxes, Aimee Sordelli, 1516 Wesley spoke regarding the word "handicap" being used on the agenda, Alderman Ramos spoke regarding the holiday food drive and the donations that were distributed by Emmanuel Bible and St Leonard's parish, Alderman Day reminded all of the food pantry and Helping Hand.
4. The minutes of the regular City Council meeting and the Committee of the Whole held on November 11, 2008 were submitted. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and approve as submitted. After discussion, Alderman Chapman noted that item #19 should read "Alderman Chapman submitted a communication". Thereafter, Erickson amended his motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and approve as amended. The motion carried by a voice vote.
5. The Berwyn Development Corporation submitted a communication regarding Commuter Facility Improvement Grant Agreement between Metra and the City of Berwyn. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to concur and approve the agreement and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote. Thereafter, Mayor O'Connor thanked Dave Miklous for all his work on the Metra Board.
6. Lovero made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to suspend the rules and bring forth item H-1 and I-4 and mark I-4 as germane. The motion carried

by a voice vote. H-1 is a Resolution/Ordinance from the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding James & Williams Jewelers, 7020 W. Cermak Road. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and adopt the Resolution/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 Mayor submitted a proclamation regarding National Drunk and Drugged (3D) Prevention Month, December, 2008. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur and adopt the Proclamation as presented and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a voice vote.
8. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding Executive Partners Study. After discussion, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Lovero, to refer the matter to the Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by a voice vote.
9. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the appointment of the Director of Neighborhood Affairs, Louis Mercado effective November 14, 2008. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve the appointment as submitted. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: Ramos, Phelan.
10. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding Non-Union pay raises. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve the 3 ½% increase for all non-union employees retroactive to January 1, 2008. The motion carried by the following roll call: Chapman, pass, Yeas: Weiner, Skryd, Day, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: Ramos, Phelan. Thereafter, Chapman entered a vote of Aye.
11. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the increase in Liquor License D-3.2., for Wings Fire House, 6535 W. Cermak Road. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Phelan, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
12. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding Land Acquisition. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to refer the matter to the Law department as discussed in closed Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Lovero, Erickson. Nays: Phelan.
13. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the removal of referral items from the Committee of the Whole. Thereafter, Erickson made a

motion, seconded by Day, to concur. After discussion, the motion was amended to concur all items with the exception of item #19 dated 4/24/07, "MacNeal Euclid Avenue Drop off Zone". The motion carried by a voice vote. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to refer item #19 to the Traffic Engineer. The motion carried by a voice vote.

14. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding Snow Plowing. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Lovero, to defer the matter for 2 weeks. The motion carried by a voice vote.
15. The Clerk submitted a communication regarding the 2009 City Council meetings and Holiday schedule. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
16. The Clerk submitted a communication regarding the release of Closed Committee of the Whole minutes. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur and the Resolution as presented and to authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
17. Alderman Chapman submitted a communication regarding La Notte remodel project. After discussion, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to defer the matter for 2 weeks. The motion carried by a voice vote.
18. Alderman Skryd submitted a communication regarding Sister Cities International. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur and approve the application fee of \$680. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Lovero. Nays: Phelan, Erickson.
19. A request from Berwyn Main Street regarding a Joint Holiday Event sponsored by Berwyn Main Street and the North Berwyn Park entitled "Miracle on 22<sup>nd</sup>" to be held on December 20, 2008 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Thereafter, Skryd made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by the following roll call: Yeas: Chapman, Ramos, Weiner, Skryd, Day, Phelan, Lovero. Nays: Erickson.
20. Alderman Lovero submitted a communication regarding Local, Minority-Owned, and Women-Owned economic Development program. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to refer the matter to the

Committee of the Whole, Law department, and the Berwyn Development Corporation. The motion carried by a voice vote.

21. The Berwyn Historic Preservation Commission submitted a communication regarding the demolition of 1535 Clarence Avenue. After discussion, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to refer the matter to the Committee of the Whole, and the Neighborhood Affairs department. The motion carried by a voice vote.
22. A deferred communication from the Finance director regarding an ordinance for the Issuance for a \$2 million Line of Credit. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to refer the matter to the Finance director. The motion carried by a voice vote.
23. A deferred communication from the Finance director with an attached ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING BASIC WATER USE CHARGES BY AMENDING SECTION 1048.02 OF THE BERWYN CODIFIED ORDINANCES IN THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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

24. The Finance director submitted a communication regarding the 2008 Audit contract. After discussion, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur and approve as submitted and to authorize the corporate authority to affix his signature thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
25. The Law department submitted a Resolution regarding Locational Restrictions of Medical Clinics and an attached Resolution entitled:

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO CONSIDER LOCATIONAL RESTRICTIONS FOR MEDICAL CLINICS IN THE CITY OF BERWYN, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Weiner, to concur and adopt the Resolution as submitted and to authorize the City Clerk to certify a Referendum question with the County Clerk to be placed on the April 7, 2009 General Election ballot to read as follows:

**“Shall the Mayor and the Berwyn City Council Pass an Ordinance establishing Locational Restrictions for Medical Clinics located adjacent to Residential Neighborhoods in the City of Berwyn”?**

The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

26. The Police Chief submitted a communication requesting to hire 3 new police officers. After discussion, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur, waive the hiring freeze, and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
27. The Public Works director submitted a communication requesting a 1 Year extension for the MFT Electrical Maintenance contract with Lyons/Pinner Electric Company. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
28. The Public Works director submitted a communication regarding the waiver of bidding and approval of Emergency Sewer repairs. Thereafter, Erickson made a motion, seconded by Day, to concur and approve for payment. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
29. The Human Resource director submitted a communication regarding Insurance Broker RFP evaluation/Health Insurance committee update. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to refer the matter to the Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by a voice vote.
30. The Fire Chief submitted a communication regarding the retirement of Engineer, Benno Ceyer and the request for promotion of Firefighter, John Janata to the rank of Engineer and to hire a probationary firefighter off the current eligibility list. After discussion, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Skryd, to accept the retirement of Benno Ceyer with regrets, and to concur in the promotion of firefighter, John Janata to the rank of Engineer. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote. Thereafter, Lovero made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to defer and refer the matter to hire a probationary firefighter to the Committee of the Whole. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
31. The Consent agenda K-1 and K-2 were submitted:  
K-1-The budget chairman submitted the payroll for November 12, 2008 in the total amount of \$873,897.83  
K-2-The budget chairman submitted the payables for November 25, 2008 the total amount of \$1,330,518.50.  
Thereafter, Ramos made a motion, seconded by Erickson, to concur and approve by Omnibus Vote Designation. The motion carried by a voice vote.

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32. The Mayor called a Committee of the Whole meeting for Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. for referrals.
33. Alderman Erickson called a Fire and Police committee meeting, as previously called, for Monday, December 1, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. for referrals
34. Alderman Skryd called an Administration committee meeting for Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. for referrals.
35. There being no further business to come before the meeting, same was, after a motion by Phelan, seconded by Skryd, to adjourn at the hour of 8:54 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Pavlik  
City Clerk