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ITEM NO. _____

DATE 11-23-21

DISPOSITION Approved as Submitted

The Berwyn City Council

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2021

Mayor Robert J. Lovero called the Berwyn City Council Regular Meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Clerk Paul called the roll. The following Aldermen were in attendance and present in chambers: Lennon, Leja, Fejt, Pabon, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael. Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to excuse Ald. Woywod. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

- A. Attendees rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lovero asked for a moment of silence in memory of former Deputy Fire Chief Erskine, in memory of Lilia Macias, in memory of Francis Grech, in memory of Lelani Capetta, and in support of our First Responders.
- B. **Open Forum:** Mayor Lovero opened the floor for Open Forum. The following people made statements to the City Council: Anthony Ward representing The Combined Veterans of Berwyn (Sailors for Christmas flier distributed), Susie Donnelly, and Luz Chavez. Written remarks submitted by Sabine Kraus were distributed to the council members.
- C. **Approval of Minutes:** Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the October 26, 2021 Committee of the Whole Minutes and the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 26, 2021 as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- D. **Bid Openings:** No items submitted for the agenda.
- E. **BDC, BPHD, or Berwyn Township:** Nothing submitted for the agenda.
- F. **Reports from the Mayor:**
F-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to accept Cynthia Hayes' resignation from the Library Board with thanks for her service and concur with Mayor Lovero's appointment of J. Patrick Cagney to fill the unexpired board term. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Cagney.
- G. **Reports from the Clerk:** Nothing submitted for the agenda.
- H. **Zoning Commission:** Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to concur with the Zoning Commission regarding the requested side yard variance, override the Zoning Commission's denial of the front setback variance and **adopt** the Ordinance (Item H-1b) entitled: **An Ordinance Approving Variations Relative to a Second Story Addition to an Existing Single Family Bungalow Within the R-2 Bungalow Zoning District at 2335 Riverside Drive, Berwyn, Illinois – Cesar Nunez**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and place it on its way to passage. The motion carried with all Alderpersons voting AYE and none voting NAY.
- I. **Reports from Aldermen, Committees and Boards:**
I-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to accept the Minutes of the Budget and Finance Aldermanic Committee for 6-22, 10-20, 10-21, 10-27, and 10-28-2021 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
I-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to mark the Police and Fire Commission communication re: Probationary Officer A. Vizek as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
I-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to mark the Police and Fire Commission communication re: Probationary Officer S. D'Agostino as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J. Reports from Staff

J-1: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, authorize the settlement of Ronald R Peterson as Trustee for Mack Industries Ltd. For \$11,000.00. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-2: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to determine an estimated Tax Levy amount at the total percentage increase of 2.76% increase over that of the prior year's levy and direct the Finance Department to prepare a Tentative Levy Ordinance to be submitted to the City Council. Clerk Paul recorded the following vote. Alderpeople Lennon, Leja, Fejt, and Arenella voted AYE. Alderpeople Pabon and Carmichael voted NAY. Ald. Ruiz abstained from voting.

J-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to permit Fire Chief Hayes to go out for bid for SCBA equipment. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-4: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to permit Fire Chief Hayes to go out for bid for cabinetry for Station 901. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-5: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to permit Fire Chief Hayes to go out for bid for a hood and fire suppression system for Station 901. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-6: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to grant the Building Director permission to partially demolish the building located at 6705 Cermak. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-7: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to renew the City's General Liability policy with Princeton and direct the Corporate Authorities to execute a contract with the company at the \$10,000,000 limit and a premium payment of \$255,906.00. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-8: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve and adopt the revised inclusive language used for the Amended City of Berwyn Employee Handbook. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote

K. Consent Agenda (Items K1 through K-13): Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to bring forward Item K-12. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to defer K-12 for two weeks. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the Consent Agenda Items K-1 through K-11 and K-13 by omnibus designation as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee / Ward Meetings: Ald. Pabon announced a Ward Meeting and ad hoc Rat Abatement Committee meeting. Ald. Ruiz announced a Public Works Committee Meeting. Ald. Carmichael announced a Ward Meeting.

There being no further business before the City Council, Ald. Carmichael made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Margaret Paul, Berwyn City Clerk