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Minutes of the Regular Berwyn City Council Meeting of November 23, 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. Alderman Woywod participated remotely and answered present on the call of the roll.

- **A.** Attendees rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lovero asked for a moment of silence 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: Susie Donnelly, BPD Commanders Fellows and Zarbock introducing the department's therapy dog Romeo, Deborah Vane, Jonathan Palles (submitted written comments following his statement), Luz Chavez (submitted written comments following her statement), Korynna Lopez, Ald. Carmichael, Ald. Ruiz
- C. Approval of Minutes: Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the Committee of the Whole Minutes and the Minutes for the Regular Meeting both of November 9, 2021 as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- D. Bid Openings: Ald. Carmichael made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to defer granting authority for the purchase of any Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) system until the Berwyn Police Department has a policy in place for its use. Alderpeople Pabon, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael voted in favor of the motion. Alderpeople Lennon, Woywod, Leja, and Fejt voted against the motion. Mayor Lovero broke the tie voting against the motion. Ald. Leja then made a motion, seconded by Lennon, to authorize the Berwyn Police Department to enter into a 2-year contract with Flock Safety for the purchase of twenty-four (24) ALPR cameras with a ninety (90) day retention at a total cost of \$67,300.00 for the first year and \$63,700.00 for the second year, and to approve the cost sharing agreement between the City of Berwyn and the Berwyn Development Corporation for those ALPR cameras stationed in TIF Districts in the amount of \$33,050.0 for the first year and \$31,250.00 for the remaining years. The motion carried with Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Ruiz, and Arenella voting AYE. Pabon and Carmichael voted NAY.
- E. BDC, BPHD, or Berwyn Township: Nothing submitted for agenda.
- F. Reports from the Mayor:
 - **F-1**: Clerk Paul announced the proposed Proclamation. Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Proclamation designating November 2021 as National Native American Heritage Month in the City of Berwyn. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- G. Reports from the Clerk: Nothing submitted for agenda.
- H. Zoning Commission: Nothing submitted for agenda.
- I. Reports from Aldermen, Committees and Boards:
 - **I-1:** Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve the request for reserved handicap parking at 2121 S. Elmwood -1^{st} FL. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. **I-2:** Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Fejt, to accept the Budget and Finance Aldermanic Committee Minutes of 11-8-2021 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
 - I-3: Ald. Pabon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to accept the Ad Hoc Rat Abatement Committee's Minutes of 11/2/2021 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

I-4: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Lennon, to mark the Police and Fire Commission's communication regarding Officer Diaz as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J. Reports from Staff

J-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Fejt, to approve the renewal of the Excess Workers Compensation Insurance police with Safety National for the annual premium amount of \$176,581 and a SIR of ONE MILLION DOLLARS and 00/100. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-2: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to authorize the IT Department to request proposals for a Dark Fiber Metro Ethernet Network, approve the RFP document, and allow an Open Bid format as proposed by IT Director Frank. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-3: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to authorize the IT Department to request proposals from vendors selling Cisco Catalyst 9400/9300 switching equipment, approve the RFP document, and allow an Open Bid format as proposed by IT Director Frank. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-4: Ald. Carmichael made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to authorize the demolition of buildings at 1220 S Gunderson as requested by Building Director Lazzara. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-5: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve payment of Pay Request #3 submitted by Pan Oceanic Engineering in the amount of \$502,858.07. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-6: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to concur and approve the three change orders submitted by Postl-Yore for the Depot District Utilities construction amounting to \$301,571.31. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-7: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Fejt, to adopt the Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving the Third Amendment of a Certain Revolving Credit Agreement Between the City of Berwyn and BMO Harris Bank N.A. for the City of Berwyn, County of Cook, State of Illinois, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

K. Consent Agenda (Items K1 through K-6): Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve the Consent Agenda Items K-1 through K-6 by omnibus designation as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee / Ward Meetings: Ald. Pabon announced a Ward meetings for November 30, 2021. Ald. Ruiz announced a Committee meeting for December 14, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Ald. Arenella announced a donation event for Break the Silence organization.

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 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Margaret Paul, Berwyn City Clerk

DISPOSITION

Submitted