



MINUTES

Regular Berwyn City Council Meeting

August 27, 2019

1. Mayor Lovero called the City Council meeting to Order at 8:00 p.m. The following Aldermen responded present: Lennon, Ramirez, Reardon, Fejt, Santoy, Ruiz, Avila, and Nowak.
2. Mayor Lovero asked all present to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. He then called for a moment of silence for the safety of Berwyn's First Responders.
3. The Mayor called for the Open Forum portion of the meeting.
 - Ms. Luz Chavez and wife stepped forward. Ms. Chavez distributed a letter to the Council dated August 27, 2019 requesting that the City provide Spanish interpretation services during meetings and implement a comprehensive bilingual communications plan.
 - Mr. Jim Woywood, representing the Morton High School Booster Club, reminded the Council of the school's planned First Responders' Night at the Morton West campus.
 - Andy Sotiropoulos, BDC President, reported on the successful Route 66 Car Show. The BDC's Oktoberfest event is coming up; the BDC is looking for volunteers. He thanked Ald. Lennon for his work on that event.
 - Ald. Avila reminded the Council about Congressman Garcia's Town Hall event on August 28th.
4. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the minutes for the Committee of the Whole and the Regular Berwyn City Council meeting held on August 13, 2019 as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
5. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to concur and approve the appointment of Assistant City Administrator Ruth Volbre to the Auxiliary Review Board. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
6. Ald. Ramirez made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to **adopt the Resolution** condemning the recent violence in El Paso, Texas and Dayton, Ohio. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
7. Ald. Nowak made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to **adopt the Proclamation** recognizing the month of September 2019 as "**National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in the City of Berwyn.**" The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Ald. Nowak asked that Mr. Jonny Boucher, the founder and CEO of "Hope for the Day," be recognized. Mr. Boucher remarked on suicide awareness and prevention.
8. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to concur and approve the appointment of Probationary Police Officer Giuseppe Canciari. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul then administered the Oath of Office.
9. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to concur and approve the appointment of Probationary Police Officer Daniel J. Rodriguez. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul then administered the Oath of Office.

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10. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to override a city ordinance and allow a "Front Yard Sale" for the 1600 block of Clinton on Saturday, September 7, 2019. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
11. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve Police Chief Cimaglia's request to hire one new (1) Probationary Police Officer due to the termination of Patrol Officer Juan Macias. The motion carried by a voice vote. Ald. Reardon cast a "Nay" vote.
12. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve Deputy Police Chief O'Halloran's request to waive the sealed bid process to enter into an agreement with Patrick Engineering for engineering services to prepare bid specification documents for a new Fire Pump Controller System for an amount not to exceed \$15,700. Deputy Chief O'Halloran was recognized. Discussion ensued. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
13. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve Deputy Police Chief O'Halloran's request to waive the sealed bid process to enter into an agreement with Patrick Engineering for engineering services to perform a Mechanical and Electrical Systems Assessment for an amount not to exceed \$27,500. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
14. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Nowak, to approve Fire Chief Hayes' personnel moves as requested in his communication. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
15. Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to accept Treasurer Gutierrez's report on the Refunding Escrow Agreement Series 2019 as informational. Treasurer Gutierrez was recognized. She gave an update on the establishment of the non-profit entity and commented on future work to complete. She distributed a report showing the investment value of \$21,714,992.10 through July 2019. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
16. Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Santoy, to accept as informational the 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Audit from Finance Director Benjamin Daish. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
17. Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Avila, to concur with Public Works Director Robert Schiller and reject the 2019 Street Resurfacing Project bids received, and authorize Mr. Schiller to re-bid this project in December 2019. Discussion ensued. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
18. Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to concur with Library Director Sheedy and award a contract to G. Fisher Construction for the Library 2nd Floor Renovations for an amount not to exceed \$39,400. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
19. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to concur with the recommendation of Assistant City Administrator Ruth Volbre to authorize the execution of a contract with At-Bay Insurance Company for cyber liability coverage for a premium amount of \$12,451. Mayor Lovero recognized Ms. Volbre. She explained the coverage and need. Discussion ensued. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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20. Ald. Avila made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve the Consent Agenda (Items K-1 through K-12) by omnibus designation. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
1. Payroll: 8/21/19 in the amount of \$1,234,367.79 – Informational
 2. Payables: 8/15/19 to 8/28/19 in the amount of \$323,647.73 – Informational
 3. Event Request: **Block Party: 2600 Wesley** – 9/28/19 approved.
 4. Event Request: **Block Party: 2500 Cuyler** – 10/19/19 approved
 5. Event Request: **MacNeal Hospital – Centennial Celebration** – 10/3/19 approved.
 6. Event Request: **Flapjack Brewery – IL Running Series 5K Run** – 10/6/19 approved
 7. Event Request: **Berwyn Public Art Initiative - "Day of the Dead" Parade & Celebration** – 11/01/19 approved.
 8. Handicapped Parking Application #1270 – 2442 S. Kenilworth – **Denial** of Space - approved
 9. Handicapped Parking Application #1273 – 6242 W. 26th St. – **Approval** of Space - approved
 10. Handicapped Parking Application #1275 – 2447 S. Clarence – **Approval** of Space – Override of Staff Recommendation - approved
 11. Handicapped Parking Application #1276 – 6724 W. 34th St. – **Approval** of Zone - approved
 12. Handicapped Parking Application #1277 – 3131 S. Wisconsin – **Approval** of Space – Override of Staff Recommendation – approved
21. Mayor Lovero inquired about Aldermanic Committee meetings. Each Alderman asked persons interested to call the Chair. Ald. Nowak announced an 8th Ward meeting to be held at Commodore Berry Post on Thursday, August 29, 2019 at 6:00 PM.
22. Ald. Nowak made the motion, seconded by Ald. Reardon, to adjourn at the hour of 8:47 PM. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Paul, City Clerk