

MINUTES
BERWYN CITY COUNCIL
January 12, 2016

1. The regular meeting of the Berwyn City Council was called to order by Mayor Lovero at 8:00 p.m. Upon the call of the roll, the following responded present: Chapman, Boyajian, Paul, Fejt, Santoy, Polashek, Avila and Laureto.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was given for the family of Timoteo Hernandez, beloved father of Ana Espinoza and father-in-law of Berwyn Trustee Edward Espinoza; for the family Kenneth Harris, Firefighter for the Village of Oak Park; and for the men and women protecting our safety on the streets of Berwyn, in the Armed Forces and all Veterans.
3. The open forum portion of the meeting was announced. There being no speakers, the open forum portion of the meeting was declared closed.
4. Minutes of the regular Berwyn City Council and Committee of the Whole meetings held on December 22, 2015 were submitted. Thereafter, Avila made a motion, seconded by Laureto, to concur, approve as submitted and place same on file for audit. The motion carried by a voice vote.
5. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Boyajian, to suspend the rules and bring forward agenda items J-1 and J-3. The motion carried by a voice vote. J-1 is a communication from the Police Chief Requesting to Swear-in New Berwyn Police Officer, Joseph Meredith. Avila made a motion, seconded by Polashek, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a voice vote. Thereafter, Clerk Pavlik administered the Oath of Office.
6. Item J-3 is a communication from the Fire Chief regarding the Announcement of Retirement of Engineer Steve Petergal, a 27 year plus Veteran of the Berwyn Fire Department. Thereafter, Avila made a motion, seconded by Fejt, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a voice vote.
7. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the resignation of Mr. Richard Toman from the Berwyn Fire and Police Commission. Thereafter, Paul made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur, approve as submitted and thanked former Alderman Toman for all the years of service he provided Berwyn. The motion carried by a voice vote.
8. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the Appointment of Anthony Nowak to the Fire and Police Commission. Avila made a motion, seconded by Laureto, to concur and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a voice vote. Thereafter, Clerk Pavlik administered the Oath of Office.
9. The Mayor submitted a communication regarding the Illinois Municipal Police Association Berwyn Chapter Local #1 (IMPA) Contract Approval. Thereafter, Avila made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to concur, approve as submitted and authorize the corporate authorities to affix their signatures thereto. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

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10. Alderman Laureto submitted a communication from the Berwyn Historical Society Requesting Additional Funding. Thereafter, Laureto made a motion, seconded by Chapman, to refer the matter to the Budget committee. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
11. The Police Chief submitted a communication regarding a Police Department Staffing Plan. The Mayor recognized Police Chief Ritz to respond to Alderman Paul's questions and concerns regarding the staffing plan. Chief Ritz stated the staffing plan is requesting the promotion of one Lieutenant and two Sergeants to meet current command staffing needs and upon final plan execution and 2016 budget approval, the PD will hire four additional police officers at mid-term fiscal year, which will serve to fill the vacancies created by these promotions. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Avila, to concur, approve as submitted and granting permission to contact the Fire and Police Commission. The motion carried by the following call of the roll: Yeas: Chapman, Boyajian, Santoy, Avila and Laureto. Nays: Paul, Fejt and Polashek.
12. The Fire Chief submitted a communication requesting permission to contact the Fire and Police Commission to begin the process of replacement for a Firefighter/Paramedic due to the retirement of Eng. Petergal. Thereafter, Avila made a motion, seconded by Laureto, to concur, approve as submitted and grant permission. The motion carried by a voice vote.
13. The Fire Chief submitted a communication regarding the Resignation of Probationary Firefighter/Paramedic Richard Armentano and request for permission to contact the Fire and Police Commission to begin the process of a replacement. Thereafter, Avila made a motion, seconded by Laureto, to concur, approve as submitted and grant permission. The motion carried by a voice vote.
14. The City Attorney submitted a communication regarding a Pre-Litigation Settlement. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Laureto, to concur, approve as submitted and approve for payment in the amount not to exceed \$5,320.00. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
15. The City Attorney submitted a communication regarding a Pre-Litigation Settlement. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Boyajian, to concur, approve as submitted and approve for payment in the amount not to exceed \$6,500.00. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
16. The City Attorney submitted a communication regarding the Settlement of Case No. 2013 L 10436. Thereafter, Chapman made a motion, seconded by Boyajian, to concur, approve as submitted and approve for payment in the amount not to exceed \$425,000.00. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.
17. The Finance Director submitted a communication regarding Surplus Property Auction Sale of four Ford Taurus Vehicles from the Public Works Department. Thereafter, Boyajian made a motion, seconded by Avila, to concur, grant permission and approve as submitted. The motion carried by a voice vote.

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18. The consent agenda, items K-1 through K-8 were submitted:
1. Payroll – 12/30/2015 \$1,057,836.49 – Approved
 2. Payables – 1/12/2016 \$1,147,255.18– Approved
 3. Building and Local Improvement Permits Issued in the month of December, 2015
 4. Handicap Parking Space Application #991 – 3832 S. Kenilworth – Approved
 5. Handicap Parking Application #1071 – 1440 S. Kenilworth – Denied
 6. Handicap Parking Application #1075 – 1337 S. Clarence – Denied
 7. Handicap Parking Zone Application #1077 – 3816 S. Lombard – Approved
 8. Handicap Parking Space Application #1080 – 1513 S. East – Approved

Thereafter, Avila made a motion, seconded by Laureto, to concur and approve by omnibus vote designation. The motion carried by a voice vote.

19. Alderman Chapman called a Budget Committee meeting for Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 3:30 pm.
20. Alderman Fejt called a Building, Zoning and Planning Committee meeting for Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 5:30 pm.
21. There being no further business to come before the meeting, same was after a motion by Laureto, seconded by Avila, to adjourn at the hour of 8:29 p.m. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Pavlik, MMC
City Clerk