



The Berwyn City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2022

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Mayor Lovero called the Regular Meeting to Order at 8:00 p.m. Clerk Paul called the roll. The following Alderpeople responded present in chambers: Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Ruiz, Pabon, Arenella, and Carmichael. Mayor Lovero asked all attendees to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Robert F. Lux and in support of our First Responders.

Open Forum: Mayor Lovero opened the floor for Open Forum. No one in the audience asked to be recognized. Ald. Lennon announced that he would be hosting a Tax Appeal event with Berwyn Township Assessor Pareda on December 14th. There were no other announcements. Mayor Lovero concluded Open Forum.

Approval of Minutes:

C-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the November 22, 2022 Committee of the Whole and Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Bid Openings: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

BDC, BPHD, and Berwyn Township Submission: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

Reports from the Mayor:

F-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to accept the resignation of Library Board member Emily Diebold with gratitude for her service and concur in appointing Bridget Buckley to fill the remaining term ending November 10, 2023. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Buckley.

Reports from the Clerk: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

Reports from Zoning Board of Appeals: Nothing submitted for the agenda Reports from Alderpeople, Committees, Boards:

I-1: Ald. Pabon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to refer a request for consideration of a city-wide Alley Clean-Up program to the Public Works, Parking, Trees, Traffic, and Streets Aldermanic Committee for discussion at their next called meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

I-2: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to accept the Administration Aldermanic Committee Minutes of 11/29/2022 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from Staff:

J-1: Clerk Paul announced Police Chief Cimaglia's Outstanding Citizen Award to be bestowed on Bianca Mendez-Torres. Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Leja, to accept the communication as informational and thank Ms. Bianca Mendez-Torres for her efforts leading to the arrest of a repeat criminal offender. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Thereafter, Deputy Chief Papa presented the commendation to Ms. Mendez-Torres.

J-2: Clerk Paul announced Police Chief Cimaglia's Police Officer Achievement Awards to Officers Ronald T. Pedecone and Ross Failla for achieving certification and recognition as Master Tactical Officers through the National Tactical Officers Association. Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon to accept the communication as informational and congratulate the officers on their achievements. The motion carried-by a unanimous voice vote. Thereafter, Deputy Chief Papa presented Certificates of Achievement to the officers.

J-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve Chief Cimaglia's request to hire one Probationary Police Officer from the Lateral Eligibility Pool. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-4: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve the contract with Zeigler Ford of North Riverside to replace the engine for the Animal Control vehicle for an amount not to exceed \$5,565.76. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-5: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 426 of the Codified Ordinances of Berwyn Regarding Vehicle Seizure and Impoundment for the City of Berwyn, County of Cook, State of Illinois and direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried with Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Ruiz, and Arenella voting AYE. Pabon and Carmichael voted NAY.

J-6: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to grant permission to Fire Chief Hayes to contact the Fire and Police Commission to recommend the hiring of the next five qualified candidates on the Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility List due to the retirement of Carl Reina and Joseph Lotito and the promotion of Robert Pilch along with two unfilled vacancies. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-7: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to grant permission to Fire Chief Hayes to contact the Fire and Police Commission to promote the next two qualified candidates on the Lieutenants Promotional Exam List. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-8: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve the promotion of Kevin Cooper and Marc Agnello to the rank of Engineer as the next two qualified candidates on the Seniority List. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-9: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to concur in Chief Hayes' appointment of Michael Lyons to the position of Battalion Chief. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-10: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to concur in Chief Hayes' appointment of Robert Pilch to the position of Division Chief. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-11: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to adopt the Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1048 of the Codified Ordinances of Berwyn Regarding the Imposition of Water and Sewer Rates 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 with all Alderpeople voting AYE.

J-12: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to adopt the Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Levying Taxes for General Corporate and Special Purposes for the Tax Year 2022, Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2023 and Ending December 31, 2023 for the City

of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion carried with the following Alderpeople voting AYE: Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Pabon, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael. There were no Nays and no Abstentions.

J-13: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve the renewal of the Excess Workers Compensation police with Safety National for a premium amount of \$170,638 with a SIR of \$1,000,000. The motion carried with all Alderpeople voting AYE.

J-14: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve the renewal of the City's General Liability insurance policy with Princeton Excess and Surplus Lines Insurance Company at the \$10,000,000limit, a SIR of \$1,000,000 and for a premium amount of \$300,258. The motion carried with all Alderpeople voting AYE.

Consent Agenda (Items K1 – K4): Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Leja, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Aldermanic Committee / Ward Meetings: There were no meetings announced.

There being no further business before the City Council, Ald. Carmichael made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by.

Margaret Paul, City Clerk