

The Berwyn City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 23, 2024

Mayor Robert J. Lovero called the Regular City Council Meeting to Order at 8:00 p.m. Deputy Clerk Anderson called the roll. The following Alderpeople were present in chambers: Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Pabon, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael. Attendees rose to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor took a moment to remember County Clerk Karen Yarborough, followed by a moment of silence in support of the City's First Responders.

Open Forum: Mayor Lovero opened the floor for Open Forum.

1. JSA Governor Yadilla Padilla updated the audience on the JSA events.
2. Natalia Perez provided an update on the Christian Life Center Food Pantry at 34th & Grove Avenue.
3. PW Director Schiller reminded the audience that in honor of Arbor Day, the City of Berwyn will be planting a tree at the Library on Friday April 26, 2024.
4. Pink Divas and Gents member Janelle Morlin spoke about their organization's 5K Walk/Run event being held at Morton West High School on June 29, 2024.
5. Deputy City Clerk Anderson confirmed an email distributed to Council Members regarding a Berwyn resident's concerns regarding the Ethics Commission.
6. Ald. Arenella reminded Council of Berwyn School District 98's upcoming Children's Day Parade scheduled for May 3, 2024.

Approval of Minutes:

C-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to approve the April 09, 2024 Committee of the Whole and Regular Minutes as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Bid Openings:

D-1: Ald. Ruiz made a motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to award the CDBG Project Year 2023 Roadway and Sewer Replacement Project to M&J Asphalt for the total cost of \$1,165,121.00, funded through program year 2023 CDBG. The motion passed with all eight Alderpeople present voting AYE.

Berwyn Township, Berwyn Health District, Berwyn Development Corporation:

E-1 BDC: Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve the BDC's Commercial Corridor Renovation Grant Authorizing Program presented during April 9, 2024's COW. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

E-2 BDC: Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to accept the BDC's Quarterly Report, 1st Quarter (January-March) of 2024 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from the Mayor:

F1 Monarch Butterfly Month: Deputy Clerk Anderson read the Berwyn Library's Monarch Butterfly Proclamation into the record. Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Proclamation as presented. The motion passed with all eight Alderpeople present voting AYE.

Reports from the Clerk:

G-1: RESOLUTION Ald. Fejt made a motion, seconded by Ald. Leja, to approve the release of Closed Committee of the Whole Minutes No Longer Deemed Confidential for the dates of 10/10/17, 10/24/17, 08/28/18, 09/25/18, 05/14/19, 05/28/19, 06/25/19, 07/09/19, 08/13/19, 09/10/19, 09/24/19, 11/26/19, 12/10/19 and 12/23/19, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. On the call of the roll, the motion passed with all eight Alderpeople present voting AYE.

G-2: Ald. Ruiz made a motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve staff recommendations regarding Handicap Parking applications for 1818 S. Gunderson Avenue (Approve), 1501 S. Maple Avenue (Deny), and 6505 W. 34th Street (Deny). The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from the Aldermen, Committees, and Boards: Nothing presented.

Reports from Staff:

J-1: Ordinance: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to **adopt** the **Ordinance** entitled: **An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving An Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Berwyn and the Town of Cicero Regarding Parking Matters 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. On the call of the roll, the motion passed with all eight Alderpeople present voting AYE.

J-2: Resolution: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to adopt the Resolution entitled: **Resolution Authorizing and Approving Intervention in Property Tax Assessment Proceedings**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. On the call of the roll, the motion passed with all eight Alderpeople present voting AYE.

J-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to approve Police Chief Cimaglia's request to purchase (2) 2024 Ford Escapes to be used by the Community Service Division at a cost of \$58,056.00 (a price being honored by the price rollover and contract extension under the Ford SPC Contract #206). On the call of the roll, the motion passed with all eight Alderpeople present voting AYE.

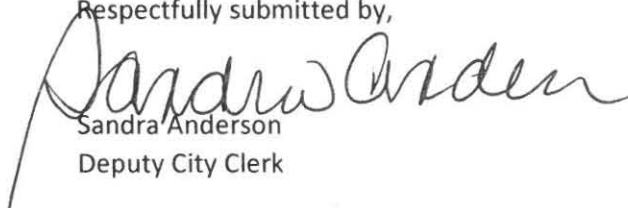
J-4: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to approve the City Communication's Division request to approve/proceed with the Independence Day Celebration Fireworks on July 3, 2024. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-5: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Leja, to approve the Berwyn Library's request to host their annual Summer Reading Challenge kick-off event on Saturday, June 8, 2024 between 10AM and 12Noon in the Library Auxiliary Parking Lot. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Consent Agenda: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to approve the Consent Agenda (Items K-1 through K-4) as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Ald. Carmichael made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adjourn the meeting at the conclusion of regular business. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Sandra Anderson
Deputy City Clerk