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The Berwyn City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2024

Mayor Robert J. Lovero called the Regular City Council Meeting to Order at 8:00 p.m. Clerk Paul called the roll. Alderpeople present in chambers: Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Pabon, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael. Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor announced the Library dedication ceremony in memory of Ald. Nora Laureto scheduled for Monday, May 20, 2024. A moment of silence was observed in support of the City's First Responders.

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

- BUNGALO+ members Jose Ramirez and Jenny Mallette-Nichols announced upcoming Pride Month events sponsored by the organization.
- Yadira Padilla announced a Juneteenth event sponsored by the Junior States of America – Morton West H.S. Chapter.
- Ald. Ruiz announced she will be hosting a virtual 6th Ward Meeting on May 16th.

Approval of Minutes:

C-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to approve the April 23, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Clerk's Note: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to bring forward agenda item F1. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

F-1: Clerk Paul read the Proclamation honoring Mark Nowak. Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Proclamation as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Lovero presented Mr. Nowak with a copy of the Proclamation.

Clerk's Note: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to bring forward the following agenda items: I-1, I-2, J-1, J-2, and J-3. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

I-1: Ald. Leja read the Proclamation honoring Berwyn's Crossing Guards and declaring May 19, 2024 as Crossing Guard Appreciation Day. He made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to adopt the Proclamation as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Lovero presented copies of the Proclamation to the Crossing Guards in attendance.

I-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Fire and Police Commission's communication identifying Devan Callahan as the next qualified candidate on the Probationary Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility List as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-1: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept Fire Chief Hayes's communication presenting Devan Callahan to be sworn in as a Probationary Firefighter/Paramedic as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office.

J-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, , to accept Police Chief Cimaglia's communication conferring a **Life Saving Recognition Award** to Officer Nolan Fletcher as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Lovero recognized Deputy Police Chief Michael Ochsner who read the commendation recognizing Officer Fletcher's

actions saving a woman's life. He presented a copy to Officer Fletcher who received a standing ovation.

J-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to approve Chief Cimaglia's request for authorization to contact the Fire and Police Commission to hire the next three qualified Probationary Police Officers from the Lateral Eligibility Pool. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Berwyn Township, Berwyn Health District, Berwyn Development Corporation:

E-1 BDC: Ald. Woywod made a motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to **adopt** the **Ordinance** entitled: **An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving a Certain Agreement for Deeds in Lieu of Foreclosure Between the city of Berwyn and Chicago Title Land Trust Company as Trustee Under Trust Agreement Dated January 1, 2013, and Known as Trust No. 8002361156 for the City of Berwyn, State of Illinois**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion **passed** with all 8 Alderpeople voting AYE, 0 voting Nay, 0 absent.

Reports from the Mayor:

F-1: Item was brought forward. See above.

F-2: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to **adopt** the **Ordinance** entitled: **An Ordinance Amending chapter 616, Section 616.07 (F) Urination and Defecation on Public and Private Property, of the Codified Ordinances of Berwyn 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 passed with all 8 Alderpeople voting AYE, 0 voting Nay, and 0 absent.

Reports from the Clerk:

G-1: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to defer Item G-1 for two weeks and refer it to the Legal Department. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

G-2: Ald. Ruiz raised questions concerning Item G-2. Discussion ensued. Ald. Lennon made a motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to reverse the previous denial and grant Handicap Parking applicant 1491 a reserved Handicap Parking space to be installed in front of the neighboring adjacent home located at 3744 Oak Park Avenue. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

G-3: Ald. Pabon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to override the staff recommendation and approve a reserved Handicap Parking space to be installed in front of 2228 S. Lombard Ave. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from the Zoning, Planning, and Development Commission:

H-1: Ald. Woywod made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to concur with the findings of the Commission and **adopt** the **Ordinance** entitled: **An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for a Cannabis Dispensing Organization Use Within the C-4 Corridor Commercial Zoning District at the Address Commonly Known as 6300 W. Ogden Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois – 6300 W., Inc.**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion passed with all 8 Alderpeople voting AYE, 0 voting Nay, and 0 absent.

Reports from the Aldermen, Committees, and Boards: See Clerk’s Note above for items I-1 and I-2.

Reports from Staff:

J-1 through J-3: See Clerk’s Note above for J-1 through J-3.

J-4: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to mark Chief Cimaglia’s approval of the St. Mary of Celle church’s procession as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-5: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to mark Chief Cimaglia’s approval of the BUNGALO+ Car Parade as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-6: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to mark Chief Cimaglia’s approval of the Pride Walk as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

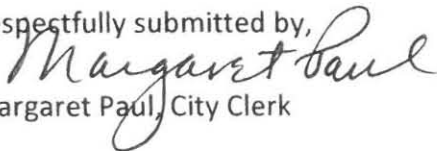
J-7: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to concur with the expansion of the PACE Mobility Transportation program for senior residents. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Consent Agenda: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve the Consent Agenda (Items K-1 through K-20) as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee Meetings:

- Ald. Pabon announced a 5th Ward meeting to be held at Hett Park. He encouraged 5th Ward residents ages 14 years and older to attend. The meeting will include voting for the 5th Ward Participatory Budget initiative. He also announced a Youth Opportunity Fair to be held at Ebenezer Church.
- Ald. Ruiz announced a Veteran’s Breakfast to be held at PAV YMCA on Memorial Day weekend May 25th.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the 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 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Margaret Paul, City Clerk