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The Berwyn City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 25, 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. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Thomas Corpus, Jr, George Ghitea, and in support of the City's First Responders.

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

- Steve Taylor: Advised that City Attorney Bertuca for scheduling an upcoming Ethics Commission meeting to address his several complaints filed over past months.
- Junior States of America President Jasmine Gonzaga thanked all who volunteered and sponsored the JSA Juneteenth Commemoration. Volunteers present in chambers were given certificates of appreciation.
- Natalia Perez invited residents experiencing food insecurity to Christian Life Center's food pantry located at 34th and Grove. She thanked all volunteers at the pantry.
- Ald. Lennon announced the Berwyn Pride Walk on Saturday, June 29, 2024 starting at Windsor Avenue at Harlem stepping off at Noon.
- Ald. Pabon announced a Youth Opportunity Fair on June 26, 2024 at Ebenezer Church.
- Mayor Lovero announced the upcoming cancer walk taking place at Morton High on Saturday, June 29, 2024.

Approval of Minutes:

C-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to approve the June 11, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Bid Openings: Nothing submitted for the agenda

Berwyn Township, Berwyn Health District, Berwyn Development Corporation: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

Reports from the Mayor:

F-1: Clerk Paul read the Proclamation celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Concordia Lutheran Church. 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 and Ald. Leja distributed copies of the Proclamation and Certificates of Recognition of the Little Lambs Pre-school to members of Concordia Church in attendance.

Reports from the Clerk:

G-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to **adopt the Resolution** entitled: **A Resolution to Release Closed Session Minutes**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

G-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to concur with city staff and deny Handicap Parking applications for 2314 S. Wesley and 1832 S. Cuyler and approve the

application for a Handicap Parking Space to be located at 3212 S. Clinton. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

G-3: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to concur with the denial of Handicap Parking for 2106 S. East Avenue due to the existence of a traffic control yellow curb at the location. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from the Aldermen, Committees, and Boards:

I-1: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to approve the School District 98 event request scheduled for August 3, 2024 and authorize the requested street and alley closures along with city services as requested. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

I-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Fire and Police Commission's communication identifying Matthew Decowski as the next eligible candidate on the Berwyn Police Department Lateral Eligibility List as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

I-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Fire and Police Commission's communication identifying Benito Reyes as the next eligible candidate on the Berwyn Police Department Lateral Eligibility List as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

I-4: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Fire and Police Commission's communication identifying Armando Vega as the next eligible candidate on the Berwyn Police Department Lateral Eligibility List as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

I-5: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Fire and Police Commission's communication identifying Thomas Martirano as the next eligible candidate on the Berwyn Fire Department Firefighter / Paramedic Entry Level Eligibility List as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from Staff:

J-1: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Police Chief Cimaglia's introduction of Matthew Decowski as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office to Officer Decowski.

J-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Police Chief Cimaglia's introduction of Benito Reyes as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office to Officer Reyes.

J-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept the Police Chief Cimaglia's introduction of Armando Vega as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office to Officer Vega.

J-4: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve Chief Cimaglia's request to promote two Patrol Officers to the rank of Sergeant due to the retirement of Sgt. Richard Volanti. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

J-5: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to approve a three-year Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of McCook to house McCook prisoners according to the terms expressed. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote in favor.

J-6: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to accept Fire Chief Hayes' introduction of Thomas Martirano as informational. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Clerk Paul administered the Oath of Office to Firefighter / Paramedic Martirano.

J-7: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to waive the sealed bid process due to lack of other appropriate vendors and approve Fire Chief Hayes' request to purchase four Power Pro 2 stretchers from Stryker for a total cost of \$151,399.40 with cost reduced by a \$150,000.00 grant. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-8: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to waive the sealed bid process and approve the recommended 60 month lease renewal of the Pitney Bowes mail machine for \$755.31 per month. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote in favor.

Consent Agenda:

Consent Item K-4: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to pull item K-4 from the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael to approve the event request by Re/Max Partners and authorize the asked for city services with the stipulation that the event will end by 9:00 p.m. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Remaining Consent Agenda Items: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee Meetings: There were no meetings announced.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Council, Ald. Carmichael made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,


Margaret Paul, City Clerk

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DATE 7/9/24
DISPOSITION Approved as Submitted