



The Berwyn City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 13, 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, Arenella, and Carmichael. Ald. Pabon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael to excuse Ald. Ruiz. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Anthony Massuci and in support of our First Responders.

Mayor Lovero announced that he was pulling Items E3 and E4 from the agenda and would be requiring that the Berwyn Development Corporation ("BDC") seek public bids for the proposed Senior Center project. Clerk's Note: Ald. Ruiz arrived at the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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

- North Berwyn Park District ("NBPD") Executive Director Joseph Vallez invited everyone to attend the upcoming 5-K run event and festival scheduled for August 17, 2024. He thanked all businesses and organizations sponsoring the event. He extended thanks to the City of Berwyn administration and police for their assistance. Mr. Vallez thanked especially the residents of Berwyn, particularly those along the race route and near the festival for their enthusiastic cooperation and patience with attendees. He remarked that 1,400 runners were expected in addition to many more people who would attend. He introduced a Mariachi Band which will be performing at the festival. The band played a rousing song then posed for pictures with the Mayor.
- Anna Wagner spoke regarding the proposed multi-purpose athletic field to be installed at Baseball Alley. She warned against PFAS (Per – and Polyflouroalkyl) contaminates that could be contained in the "crumb" rubber artificial turf.
- Sean Paul Reyes (a/k/a Long Island Auditor) spoke restating his version of facts pertaining to his prior arrest by the Berwyn Police Department and made comments alluding to broad claims of corruption and nepotism directed against City Administrator Green, Division Commander Green, Mayor Lovero, Police Chief Cimaglia, and Clerk Paul.
- A resident who did not identify himself spoke in support of Mr. Reyes, the U.S. Constitution, and Mr. Reyes' right to free speech. He advocated for the election of Republican officials to state and local government.
- Clerk Paul was recognized. She informed the audience about voter registration and how to obtain Mail-in Ballots for the upcoming November election.
- Clerk Paul distributed copies of emails prior to the start of the meeting that she received to the elected officials. All emails advocated against waiving the bidding process for the Senior Center project. Emails were received from: Tammy Lumpkins, Alison Caldwell, Christina Cordova-Herrera, Ari Favela, and Ted Korbos.

ITEM NO. C-1
 DATE 8/27/2024
 DISPOSITION Approved as Submitted

Approval of Minutes:

C-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to approve the July 23, 2024 City Council Committee of the Whole and Regular Meeting Minutes of the same date 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:

E-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to **adopt** the **Resolution** entitled: **A Resolution Authorizing and Approving A Certain Agreement Terminating the Host Agreement with Green & Bradley, LLC 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 by a unanimous roll call vote in favor.

E-2: Ald. Woywod made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to **adopt** the **Resolution** entitled: **A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Certain Host Agreement Between 6300 W., INC and the City of Berwyn, Illinois**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports from the Mayor: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

Reports from the Clerk:

G-1: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Leja, to **adopt** the **Ordinance** entitled: **An Ordinance Approving the Editing and Inclusion of Certain Ordinances as Parts of the Various Component Codes of the Codified Ordinances; and Repealing Ordinances and Resolutions in Conflict Therewith**, direct the Corporate Authorities to affix the necessary signatures and send it on its way to passage. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Reports from the Aldermen, Committees, and Boards: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

Reports from Staff:

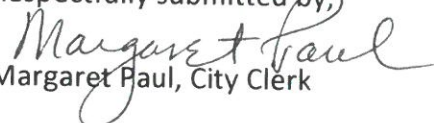
J-1: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to approve payment for Pay Estimate #15 for an amount not to exceed \$941,374.08 and Pay Estimate #16 for an amount not to exceed \$462,118.72 to R.W. Dunteman Company for work on the Depot District Streetscape project. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote in favor of the motion.

Consent Agenda Items K-1 through K12: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Woywod, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee Meetings: No meetings announced.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the 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 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,


Margaret Paul, City Clerk