

ITEM NO. C-2
DATE 3/22/22
DISPOSITION Approved as submitted

The Berwyn City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2022

Clerk's Note: This meeting was live streamed and may be viewed at:
<https://www.youtube.com/user/CityOfBerwyn/videos?app=desktop>

Mayor Robert J. Lovero called the Berwyn City Council Regular Meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Clerk Paul called the roll. The following Alderpeople were in attendance and present in chambers: Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Pabon, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael.

Attendees rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lovero asked for a moment of silence to mark the passing of Donnie Rollins and Amadeo Castillo, and in support for the safety of our First Responders.

Open Forum: Mayor Lovero opened the floor for Open Forum. The following speakers addressed the City Council:

- Robert Morehead (Support for a Racial Reconciliation Proclamation)
- Beverly Stewart (Support for a Racial Reconciliation Proclamation)
- Korynna Lopez (Support for a Racial Reconciliation Proclamation)
- Luz Chavez (Support for a Racial Reconciliation Proclamation)
- Ald. Leja (Upcoming PAV YMCA Events)
- Ald. Ruiz (Upcoming 5th Ward Community Meeting)

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

Ald. Arenella made a motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to bring forward items F-1 and F-2 and to address F-2 first. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-2: Proclamation Recognizing March as Youth Art Month: Ald. Arenella made the motion, seconded by Ald. Ruiz, to adopt the Proclamation as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to mark Mayor Lovero's communication regarding Youth Art Month and D-98 Young Artists' Display as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Lovero then distributed Recognition Certificates to participating School District 98 students attending the meeting.

Bid Openings: D-1: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to award the bid for the PY 2020 CDBG Roadway & Sewer Replacement Project to Lindahl Brothers, Inc. as the lowest qualified bidder for an amount not to exceed \$560,377.50 plus a 5% contingency. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote

Reports from the BDC, BPHD, or Berwyn Township: E-1: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to concur with the Berwyn Development Corporation's request to continue the city's partnership and participation in the Visit Oak Park program. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from the Mayor: (Clerk's Note: See above for F-1 and F-2)

F-3: Proclamation recognizing March as Irish American Heritage Month: Ald. Fejt made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to adopt the Proclamation as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

F-4: Proclamation recognizing International Women's Day and Women's History Month: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to adopt the Proclamation as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Reports from the Clerk:

G-1: IDOT Required Resolutions for Event Road Closures: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to adopt the IDOT required Resolutions to request road closures for the annual Corrida Del Mariachi 5K Run and the annual Rt. 66 Car show. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

G-2: Ratification of Resolution for BFD Vehicle Purchase Financing: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to concur with and ratify the Resolution required to finalize the Berwyn Fire Department's financing of Pierce Fire Engine as approved on Feb. 22, 2022. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Zoning Commission: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

Reports from Aldermen, Committees and Boards:

I-1: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to mark the Police and Fire Aldermanic Committee Minutes of February 17, 2022 as informational. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

I-2: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to support the Berwyn Public Library's efforts to conduct research and exploration of transitioning into a Library District. A short question period ensued. There after Mayor Lovero called for a vote. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. (Clerk's Note: An email from Kristen Newcomb, on behalf of AFSCME Local 1041, was received on the topic. Copies of the email were provided to the Council members. A document entitled Public Library vs. Library District was distributed to Council members. Each has been made part of the record.)

J. Reports from Staff:

J-1: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to concur with Chief Cimaglia's grant of permission to Recreation Department for the annual Baseball Parade, adopt the Resolution permitting same as submitted and to authorize requested city services. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-2: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Pabon, to concur with Chief Cimaglia’s grant of permission to St. Mary of Celle for their Good Friday procession and authorize requested city services. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-3: Ald. Leja made the motion, seconded by Ald. Lennon, to concur with Chief Cimaglia’s grant of permission to the North Berwyn Park District for their 5K Run event and authorize requested city services. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

J-4: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Fejt, to approve the purchase of a new 2020 F 350 Ford Dump Truck with snow ploy and Vee Box Spreader Northwest Purchasing Cooperative for an amount not to exceed \$68,504.24 as submitted. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

J-5: Ald. Ruiz made the motion, seconded by Ald. Arenella, to **adopt** the 2022 Rebuild Illinois Bond Fund **Resolution** entitled: **Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code** for street resurfacing projects identified therein. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.


J-6: Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to **adopt** the Ordinance entitled: **The Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Berwyn, Cook County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year 2022**. The motion carried with Lennon, Woywod, Leja, Fejt, Ruiz, Arenella, and Carmichael voting AYE and Pabon voting NAY.

Consent Agenda (Items K1 through K-15): Ald. Lennon made the motion, seconded by Ald. Carmichael, to approve the Consent Agenda (Items K-1 through K-15) by omnibus designation as presented. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Aldermanic Committee / Ward Meetings: Ald. Ruiz called for a Public Works, Traffic and Trees Committee Meeting to be held on March 15, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

There being no further business before the City 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 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,


Margaret Paul, Berwyn City Clerk