

CITY OF BATAVIA
MINUTES OF THE BATAVIA CITY COUNCIL
March 19, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. - City Council Chambers
100 N. Island Ave. Batavia, Illinois

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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schielke at 7:31 p.m.

2. INVOCATION followed by PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schielke offered a brief invocation. Ald. Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

13 of 14 aldermen were present.

Aldermen (by ward): Scott Salvati (1), Michael O'Brien (1), Alan Wolff (2), Martin Callahan (2), Elliot Meitzler (3), Susan Stark (4), Anthony Malay (4), Lucy Thelin Atac (5), Mark Uher (5), Michael Russotto (6), Nicholas Cerone (6), David Brown (7) and Drew McFadden (7) were present. Dan Chanzit (3) was absent.

Also present were BATV and members of the press, public and the following:

City Administrator	Laura Newman
City Clerk	Ellen Posledni
Fire Chief	Randy Deicke
Police Chief	Daniel Eul
City Attorney	Roman Seckel
Finance Director	Peggy Colby
Community Development Director	Scott Buening

4. ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED

None.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Ald. Atac read the consent agenda as follows:

Accept and Place on File:

- A. Historic Preservation Commission Minutes for February 12, and February 26, 2018
- B. Plan Commission Minutes for February 7, and February 21, 2018
- C. Committee of the Whole Minutes for February 13, and February 27, 2018

- D. Building Report for February 2018
- E. 2017 Budget Transfer and Reconciliation (Peggy Colby)

Approvals:

- F. March 9, 2018 Payroll \$824,716.73
- G. Accounts Payable Check Register \$3,969,839.54
- H. City Council Minutes March 5, 2018
- I. **RESOLUTION 18-28-R:** Approval of 2018 Zoning Map (SCB 2/20/18) CD
- J. **ORDINANCE 18-16:** Amending the Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Batavia, 1025-1119 N Washington (Rackow 2/27/18 COW 3/6/18 12/0) CD
- K. **RESOLUTION 18-30-R:** Authorizing execution of a Construction Engineering Agreement with WBK for Task Order 17 in the amount not-to-exceed \$69,722.51 (AMP 3/6/18 COW 3/13/18 13/0) CS
- L. **RESOLUTION 18-33-R :** Intergovernmental Agreement with College of DuPage to Conduct Firefighter Applicant Testing (RD 3-7-18 COW 3/13/18 13/0) CS
- M. **RESOLUTION 18-31-R:** Authorize Approval of the City of Batavia Federal QBS Policy (Chris Bong 3/6/18 COW 3/13/18 13/0) CS
- N. **RESOLUTION 18-32-R:** Authorize Approval of the Phase III Construction Engineering Services Shortlist for FY 18 to FY 22 (Chris Bong 3/6/18 COW 3/13/18 13/0) CS

Motion by Ald. Atac, seconded by Ald. Stark, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

6. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC: (For Items NOT on the Agenda)

Joe Esslein shared that the Batavia VFW Ladies' Auxiliary would be holding an Easter egg hunt on March 24 at 1 p.m. at the VFW hall. The hunt is for children 10 and younger and will include 3,000 eggs. The event is free. Phone number is 630.879.9630.

7. PROCLAMATION: Batavia Rotary Club 70th Anniversary

Ald. Atac read the Proclamation declaring March 25, 2018, as Batavia Rotary Club 70th Anniversary Day. Mayor Schielke shared his knowledge of the Batavia Rotary Club, noting that in 1948, the City of Batavia decided to hold July 4 fireworks to keep drivers off the roads and celebrate the veterans. One of the first organizations to donate money for the fireworks show was the Batavia Rotary Club. Later that year, when the Batavia Fire Department began repairing donated toys for Christmas, Rotarians would secretly leave the repaired toys on front porches during the night so they would be discovered on Christmas Eve. One gentleman donated money this year to the ACCESS Toy Drive and noted that if it wasn't for this toy drive when he was a child, he would not have had a toy on Christmas.

Motion by Ald. Atac, seconded by Ald. O'Brien, to approve the proclamation as presented. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

The Rotary Club is now in its third generation of members, and several members were in attendance to receive the Proclamation. One member shared that clubs have an important history in Batavia, and noted that the Rotary Club Corvette raffle has raised more than \$250,000 in its 30-year history. The club is a strong supporter of polio eradication, and only two nations now

have polio cases. The Rotary Club is bringing an iron lung to the Depot Museum for a temporary display to raise awareness of polio. The club will be hosting a 70th anniversary celebration dinner on June 14 at the Lincoln Inn.

8. MAINSTREET MINUTE

Assistant Director Cathy McNally shared details about several upcoming events. June 2 is the WellBatavia Festival downtown focusing on health and wellness. Batavia Restaurant Madness is next week, with 34 restaurants participating and offering 20 percent off on many menu items; the coupon is available at downtownbatavia.com and in *Neighbors* magazine. The 5th annual Easter Egg Hop is happening March 31 downtown. Participating businesses will have eggs to give out from 10 to noon, and activities will be happening at the Peg Bond Center. Friday and Saturday, March 30-31, Albright Theater will host Docs on the Fox, a showcase of documentaries; find out more at docsonthefox.com. The Book Shop at 15 N. River Street will host a ribbon-cutting at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

Mainstreet is always in need of volunteers. Learn more at downtownbatavia.com or find them on Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat and Twitter.

9. ORDINANCE 18-13: Vacation Of A Public Alley Behind 321-337 E. Wilson Street (Scott Buening 12/29/17 COW 3/6/18 12/0) CD

Ald. Stark introduced the ordinance relating to the vacation of the alley adjacent to the Eastside Community Center to the Batavia Park District and a bordering landowner. The park district paid for the vacation of the alley, and the landowner paid for the plat revision. Ald. Wolff noted that the arrangement will help flow of traffic in the parking lot.

**Motion by Ald. Stark, seconded by Ald. Brown, to approve the ordinance as presented.
Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.**

10. ORDINANCE 18-17: Amending The Official Zoning Map Of The City, 106 And 126 South Mallory Avenue (Strassman 2/27/18 COW 3/6/18 12/0) CD

Ald. Stark noted that the ordinance will rezone the property from light industrial to neighborhood commercial. This rezoning is in line with the focus area for West Town. A few people spoke at the public hearing, and the Plan Commission took those comments under consideration and recommended passage. The rezoning makes the properties more in line with the zoning district and TIF development plan.

**Motion by Ald. Stark, seconded by Ald. Brown, to approve the ordinance as presented.
Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.**

11. ORDINANCE 18-18: Amending The Land Use Map Of The Comprehensive Plan Of The City Of Batavia, Daniel Kramer On Behalf Of Daniel Nagel, Applicant. Southeast Corner Of Fabyan Parkway And Nagel Boulevard (Rackow 2/27/18 COW 3/6/18 12/0) CD

Ald. Stark introduced the item relating to the amendment of the Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan to light industrial from general commercial for the property adjacent to the

7-Eleven on Fabyan Parkway. The property is being purchased by VWR and would be able to be used for warehousing.

**Motion by Ald. Stark, seconded by Ald. Brown, to approve the ordinance as presented.
Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.**

12. ORDINANCE 18-19: Amending The Official Zoning Map Of The City Of Batavia Southeast Corner Of Fabyan Parkway And Nagel Boulevard. Daniel Kramer, Attorney On Behalf Of Daniel Nagel, Property Owner, Applicant (Rackow 2/27/188 COW 3/6/18 12/0) CD

Ald. Stark explained that this item would amend the official Zoning Map to reflect the new zoning for the property.

**Motion by Ald. Stark, seconded by Ald. Brown, to approve the ordinance as presented.
Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.**

13. RESOLUTION 18-29-R: Authorizing Execution Of The Contract With Copenhaver Construction, Inc. For The Area 3 Storm Sewer Separation – Phase 1 (AMP 3/9/18 COW 3/13/18 13/0) CS

Ald. Wolff introduced the item relating to the storm sewer separation project and flooding improvement for Area 3. Ald. O'Brien added that aging water mains will be replaced while the road is opened during this project. Mayor Schielke noted that the work is a major improvement for the city. He explained that the original system was installed in 1913, and the combined storm sewer plan was not a good one. He said these improvements are the right thing to do and citizens are pleased to see the work finally being done.

**Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Callahan, to approve the resolution as presented.
Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.**

14. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Newman said a new sign at the Larson-Becker parking lot notes that the area is the future home of a memorial park to commemorate the Larson and Becker families. Human Resources is hosting an employee recognition pancake breakfast tomorrow at Riverview Banquets from 8 to 10 a.m. The One Washington Place project will be considered by the Plan Commission on April 18. The remodeled Taco Bell is opening this week. Sierra Trading Company opened in the former Circuit City space on Fabyan Parkway on Saturday. The Dollar Tree has completed its final inspection and will open on March 29.

The city has received an application for the expansion of Funway. The expansion would require at least an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan. No date has been set for that application to go to the Plan Commission.

In Public Works, the first installation under the electric vehicle home charging station rebate program has been completed. The resident will receive a \$500 rebate and the \$85 permit fee will be reimbursed. Communications Coordinator Chris Cudworth is putting together communications to alert residents about the program.

The city has received an Army Corps of Engineers permit for the dam signage and lighting project. The project will go to bid in April and should be ready for construction in early summer.

Ald. Callahan shared his appreciation for the signage honoring the Larson and Becker families.

15. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ald. Brown said the next Committee of the Whole will be tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. Plan Commission meets March 21 at 7:00 and will include a public hearing on Prairie Commons. Historic Preservation Commission meets March 26 at 5:30 p.m.

Ald. Atac said the Strategic Plan and Empower Batavia will be discussed at the next COW meeting.

Ald. Wolff noted that at the COW, City Services would discuss liquidated damages for late delivery of a leaf collection trailer, an intergovernmental agreement with Kane County for the collection of household hazard waste, the purchase of three police vehicles, and the Batavia Dam.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

Ald. Stark noted that Chief Deicke has brought PulsePoint to Tri-Com for consideration.

Ald. Brown asked if the Batavia Park District would be part of the discussion of the dam at the COW meeting. Administrator Newman indicated that representatives from the park district were not scheduled to be at the COW, but another joint meeting could be scheduled.

17. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schielke said he may not be at the full COW tomorrow. He is impressed with the Strategic Plan thus far, but reluctant to encourage the belief that opportunities for grants exist. He is not optimistic that either the state or federal government is in a position to offer grant money. He also noted that the Fox River has become an attraction in Batavia and wants to encourage efforts to capitalize on the benefits the river can bring to the city.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald. Salvati. Motion carried by voice vote.
The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Ellen Posledni, City Clerk, April 3, 2018.