

**CITY OF BATAVIA**  
**MINUTES OF THE BATAVIA CITY COUNCIL**

Monday, March 21st, 2022  
7:30 p.m. – Council Chambers 1st Floor  
100 N. Island Avenue, Batavia, IL 60510  
Hybrid Meeting

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**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**2. INVOCATION followed by PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Alderman Connelly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Aldermen in attendance at roll: Baerren (1), Solfa (1), Leman (2), Wolff (2), Ajazi (3), Malay (4), Connelly (4), Uher (5), Beck (5), Cerone (6), Russoto (6), Miller (7), Vogelsinger (7).

*Attending remotely: Baerren, Leman, Ajazi, Malay, Vogelsinger*

**4. REMINDER: Please speak into the microphone for BATV recording**

**5. ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED**

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

Accept and Place on File:

A. Building Reports February 2022

Approvals:

B. April 1, 2022 Payroll \$935,811.61

C. Accounts Payable Check Register \$4,029,567.07

D. City Council Minutes for March 7, 2022

E. 2021 Budget Transfer and Reconciliation List

F. RESOLUTION 22-034-R: Approval of the 2022 Zoning Map (SCB 2/23/22 COW 3/15/22 11/0) CD

- G. ORDINANCE 22-14: Terminating Special Service Area Number 61 for the One Washington Place Development (SCB 2/28/22 COW 3/15/22 11/0) CD
- H. AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 21-086-R: Downtown Improvement Grant-Ware Equity Partners, 15 E. Wilson St. (SMJ 03/10/22 COW 3/15/22 11/0) CD
- I. RESOLUTION 22-036-R: Approval for Design Engineering Services with RJN Group for Improvements to Randall Road Lift Station (ZB 2/25/22 COW 3/15/22 11/0) PU

Ald. Beck read aloud the Consent agenda.

*Motion by Ald. Beck, seconded by Ald. Wolff, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/1 absent.*

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

none seen

**8. APPROVAL: Class D-1 (Restaurant-All Liquor) Liquor License Application For Veja Inc. D/B/A El Taco Grande Restaurant At 6 N. River St., Batavia (DME 3/9/22 COW 3/15/22 11/0)**

*Ald. Beck stepped away from the meeting at 7:36 PM.*

*Motion by Ald. Russotto, seconded by Ald. Cerone, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 12 yea/ 0 nay/2 absent.*

**9. PRESENTATION: Preservation Partners Of The Fox Valley (Hal Watts)**

*Ald. Beck returned to the meeting at 7:37 PM.*

Guest Al Watts, Community Engagement Director for the Preservation Partners of the Fox Valley, presented on the services and mission of the organization and offered to be a resource to the City Council when matters of historic preservation arise. Review recording for comments in full.

**10. PRESENTATION: Eagle Scout Project To Benefit Suicide Prevention Services (Ethan Tarver)**

Ethan Tarver, Life Scout presented his Eagle Scout project: a screening of “The S-Word,” which will be shown this Thursday, March 24th at the Batavia Civic Center. He invited the Aldermen to attend. Review recording for comments in full.

Ald. Wolff thanked Mr. Tarver for his work in raising awareness of suicide in the youth population.

**11. MAINSTREET MINUTE**

Director Beth Walker presented on the recent and upcoming activities of Batavia MainStreet, including Restaurant Madness, the kiosk project, and the Boardwalk Shop tenants and graduates. Review recording for comments in full.

**12. RESOLUTION 22-043-R: IBEW Streets Agreement 2022-2024 (WB 3/16/22) GS**

*Motion by Ald. Beck, seconded by Ald. Miller, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/1 absent.*

**13. RESOLUTION 22-044-R: FOP Sergeants Agreement 2022-2024 (WB 3/16/22) GS**

*Motion by Ald. Beck, seconded by Ald. Miller, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 13 yea/ 1 nay/1 absent.*

**14. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

City Administrator Laura Newman. delivered her report. Review recording for comments in full.

She introduced her guest, newly hired Communications Manager Lori Botterman.

**15. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

City Services:	RES 22-037-R RES 22-042-R RES 22-046-R to be discussed at 3/22/22 COW
Community Development:	Some topics to discuss at 3/22/22 COW
Public Utilities:	none
Government Services:	IGA for fire services ata 3/22/22 COW

**16. OTHER BUSINESS**

Ald. Miller encouraged residents to participate in the 4th and final session of the Batavia School District engagement project. It will be held Thursday, March 24, 2022 from 6:30-8:30 PM at Rotolo Middle School.

Ald. Leman contacted Deputy Chief Blowers regarding excessive speeding surrounding the High School as school lets out. There are sections of the road which do not have sidewalks and excessive speeding is a significant safety hazard. Blowers

**17. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Schielke delivered his report. He addressed the new maps for state and federal governmental units. Review recording for comments in full.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Russotto, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.*

Minutes prepared and submitted by Kate Garrett, City Clerk, March 21st, 2022