

CITY OF BATAVIA
MINUTES OF THE BATAVIA CITY COUNCIL
April 2, 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 7:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION followed by PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schielke offered a brief invocation. Ald. Uher 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), Dan Chanzit (3), Elliot Meitzler (3), 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. Susan Stark (4) 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	Edward Boula
Director of Human Resources	Wendy Bednarek
Director of Public Works	Gary Holm
Administrative Assistant	Anthony Isom

4. ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED

Mayor Schielke noted that Holly Deitchman would not be present to deliver the Chamber report and requested the item be removed from the agenda.

Motion by Ald. Salvati, seconded by Ald. Atac, to remove Agenda Item #9. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Ald. Atac read the consent agenda as follows:

Accept and Place on File:

- A. Committee of the Whole Minutes from March 6, and March 13, 2018
- B. Plan Commission Minutes for March 7, 2018

Approvals:

- C. March 23, 2018 Payroll \$808,708.46
- D. Accounts Payable Check Register \$822,264.23

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

6. RECOGNITION: Jeanette Armbrust 23 Years of Service

Jeanette Armbrust was honored for her 23 years of service to the City of Batavia, most which she spent as Mayor Schielke's assistant. The Mayor praised Ms. Armbrust and thanked her for her dedication to the city. Ms. Armbrust noted that she feels the city is in good hands, specifically mentioning how much she enjoyed working with Administrative Assistant Anthony Isom over the past year. The Mayor presented Ms. Armbrust with a plaque and a street sign that read "Jeanette's Way."

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

None.

8. APPOINTMENT: Reappointment of Nancy Vance to Fire and Police Commission (JM 3/7/18)

Mayor Schielke nominated Ms. Vance for reappointment.

Motion by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald. Atac, to approve the appointment. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

9. CHAMBER

Item was removed from the agenda.

10. PRESENTATION: Mobile Stroke Unit (Chief Deicke 3/27/18)

Chief Deicke introduced Stephanie Hanson from Tri-City Ambulance and Mehr Mohajer-Esfahani from Northwestern Medicine, who is director of the Mobile Stroke Unit out of Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital. Mr. Mohajer-Esfahani explained to the Council that the Mobile Stroke Unit brings emergency medical care for stroke victims into the field, enabling the team to run diagnostics, teleconference with specialists and administer critical medication if a stroke is detected. The MSU has served more than 400 patients since January 2017 and shaved 30 minutes off of the average time to treatment, which is key for stroke patients.

The MSU will now be available for dispatch to the tri-cities. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., which is when 78 percent of stroke calls are received. The MSU was parked outside of City Hall for those interested to see it firsthand.

Mayor Schielke thanked Ms. Hanson and Tri-City Ambulance for bringing this service to the tri-cities. He noted that Batavia gets as many as 10 ambulance calls a day, and that the MSU will be particularly beneficial for residents of Holmstad and other senior living facilities within the city.

11. RESOLUTION 18-36-R: Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Batavia and the County of Kane for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Services and Rider to the Offer to Contract (RFP 20-017) With US Ecology (Scott Haines 03/14/18 COW 3/20/18 10/1) CS

Ald. Wolff introduced the item regarding a local recycling program through the county for Batavia citizens to recycle hazardous household waste. Staff has looked for an efficient way to offer this service and determined that this partnership was a good solution.

Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. O'Brien, to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried 12 yea/ 1 nay/ 1 absent.

12. RESOLUTION 18-35-R: Authorizing the Purchase of Three (3) Police Department Patrol Vehicles for \$84,612.00 (Chief Eul 3/14/18 COW 3/20/18 11/0) CS

Ald. Wolff introduced the item related to the purchase of three additional police vehicles for the patrol division. The vehicles are all-wheel-drive, which allows them to sit higher for a better view and handle better in winter conditions.

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

13. RESOLUTION 18-40-R: Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement Between the City and IAFF 2018-2020 (Wendy Bednarek 4/2/2018)

Director of Human Resources Wendy Bednarek explained that this is a three-year agreement with the IAFF. It includes a wage adjustment in year 1, with years 2 and 3 left open. Fitness requirements were modified, and the drug and alcohol policy was updated. Mayor Schielke noted that Ms. Bednarek and staff worked very hard to put this contract together.

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

14. APPROVAL: To Institute a 7:00 PM Start Time for the Committee of the Whole Meetings (COW 3/27/18 11/0)

Ald. Brown stated that moving the meeting start time 30 minutes earlier will allow full agendas to be better completed by a reasonable time, and it would eliminate the need to change the time of the meeting based on the number of items on the agenda.

Motion by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald. Callahan, to approve the new start time. Motion carried 12 yea/ 1 nay/ 1 absent.

15. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Newman said the city has done seven annual community surveys previously with robust data available. A new survey has been created based on the previous surveys, which will allow direct data comparison. The survey will be in Survey Monkey so all residents can participate online. She hopes to reach more homes than previous surveys, which were administered to a subset of residents. Communications Coordinator Chris Cudworth is designing a postcard to promote the survey. Residents can respond online or in person at the city. The survey will run through April and will be promoted via several avenues for maximum participation.

Ald. Chanzit asked how we will keep non-residents from responding. Administrator Newman noted there is no way to stop non-residents from completing the survey, but they can add a question at the end asking if the respondent is a resident.

Ald. O'Brien asked what the expense of the survey will be. Administrator Newman noted that the only expense would be for the postcard, and total cost would be less than \$2,000.

Ald. Callahan thanked Administrator Newman for getting the survey ready so quickly. He asked if information about the survey could be distributed via utility billing. Administrator Newman indicated that that should be an option.

Regarding One Washington Place, Administrator Newman noted that the Plan Commission would have a public hearing on April 18. There has been a lot of exchange of information regarding the geometry of the parking structure and State Street.

16. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ald. Brown said the next Committee of the Whole will be tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m. Plan Commission meets April 4 at 7:00 p.m. and will consider a variance at 1141 Morton Street and for tower signs at Windmill Creek Shopping Center. Historic Preservation Commission meets April 9 at 5:30 p.m. The Bike Commission meets on April 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Ald. Atac said the Environmental Commission meets on April 11.

Ald. Wolff noted that at City Services would have no items on the COW agenda, but the sidewalk and curb replacement program would be discussed on April 10.

Ald. O'Brien said an agreement with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority would be on the COW agenda for Public Works.

17. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

18. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schielke said he would be at a ribbon-cutting tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. at Settler's Hill for the opening of a new running path there featuring a challenging terrain for runners. Later in the

day, he would attend a ribbon-cutting in Geneva for Chamber member Vein Clinics of America on Randall Road. The company has joined the Chamber in all three tri-cities and asked all three mayors to attend at 3 p.m.

Last Saturday was a ribbon-cutting at the new bookstore in town, and Mayor Schielke noted Ald. Uher's attendance at the event. Ald. Russotto attended the ribbon-cutting at the Dollar Tree store last Thursday, which drew a large, enthusiastic crowd.

Companies continue to express interest in moving into Batavia. The old Walgreens building is currently under consideration by one of these businesses. The facility has been vacant for two years.

The Mayor noted that citizens are becoming more vocal about needed sidewalk repairs, and said school PTOs in particular are requesting this work. Director Holm asked that citizens call the city with sidewalk repair requests, as his department keeps a list of these requests to attend to them when the weather cooperates.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Ald. Brown, seconded by Ald. Salvati. Motion carried by voice vote.
The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Ellen Posledni, City Clerk, April 13, 2018.