

CITY OF BATAVIA
MINUTES OF THE BATAVIA CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 20th, 2023
7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers 1st Floor
100 N. Island Avenue, Batavia, IL 60510
Hybrid Meeting

PLEASE NOTE: These minutes are not a word-for-word transcription of the statements made at the meeting, nor intended to be a comprehensive review of all discussions. Minutes are intended to make an official record of the actions taken by the Committee/City Council, and to include some description of discussion points as understood by the minute-taker. Any references to discussion and/or statements are only to provide greater clarity to the public and they may not reference all, some, or any of an individual speaker's comments.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. INVOCATION followed by PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ald. Baerren led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

Attending remotely: Russotto, Chanzit, Ajazi, Cerone, Vogelsinger

4. REMINDER: Please Speak Into The Microphone For BATV Recording

5. ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED

Mayor Schielke requested to strike item 8 from the agenda.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Accept and Place on File:

- A. Building Reports January 2023
- B. Plan Commission Minutes January 4, 2023, January 18, 2023 and February 1, 2023

Approvals:

- C. February 17, 2023 Payroll \$962,632.27
- D. Accounts Payable Check Register \$3,678,030.01
- E. APPROVAL: Class A Liquor License Application for Puzzled Minds Batavia, LLC dba JT's Tavern & Tap, 113 S. Batavia Ave. (SRM 2/3/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0)
- F. ORDINANCE 23-05: Amending the Zoning Code, Batavia City Code, Title 10 (ZE 2/09/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0) CD

- G. RESOLUTION 23-024-R: Authorizing the Purchase of a Spyder Crane for WWTP from Smiley Lifting Solutions for \$93,200.00 (ZB 1/25/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) PU
- H. RESOLUTION 23-025-R: Approving Task Order #30 with RJN Group for Construction Engineering Services for Randall Road Lift Station not to exceed \$78,300.00 (ZB 1/25/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) PU
- I. RESOLUTION 23-030-R: Authorizing execution of amended Task Order #23 with Engineering Enterprises for construction engineering services related to the Water Treatment Plant rehabilitation (JPB 2/7/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) PU
- J. ORDINANCE 23-03: Declaring Surplus Property – Electric Transformers (SA 2/8/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) PU
- K. ORDINANCE 23-06: Amending 2023 Wage & Salary Ordinance (WB 2/14/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS
- L. RESOLUTION 23-028-R: Authorizing execution of the contract with V3 Construction Group, Ltd. for the 2023-2025 Maintenance of Naturalized Areas (CB 2/2/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) CS
- M. RESOLUTION 23-023-R: Authorizing Execution of a One-Year Renewable Contract with W.A. Management for 2023 West Side Property Management not to exceed \$93,549.88.
- N. RESOLUTION 23-031-R Authorizing The Execution Of Task Order #3 With V3 Companies, Ltd. For Safe Routes To School Project Land Surveying And Concept Engineering (CB 2/3/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) CS
- O. RESOLUTION 23-032-R: Abating \$392,800 for the tax heretofore levied for the tax year 2022 to pay debt service on \$9,120,000 General Obligation Bonds (Refunding Series 2013) of The City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois (LP 2/07/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS
- P. RESOLUTION 23-033-R: Abating \$1,491,850 for the tax heretofore levied for the tax year 2022 to pay debt service on \$22,570,000 General Obligation Bonds (Refunding Series 2015) of The City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois (LP 2/07/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS
- Q. RESOLUTION 23-034-R: Abating \$411,206.26 for the tax heretofore levied for the tax year 2022 to pay debt service on \$6,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017 of The City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois (LP 2/07/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS
- R. RESOLUTION 23-035-R: Abating \$694,400 for the tax heretofore levied for the tax year 2022 to pay debt service on \$3,195,000 General Obligation Bonds (Refunding series 2019) of the City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois (LP 2/07/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS
- S. RESOLUTION 23-036-R: Abating \$258,400 for the tax heretofore levied for the tax year 2022 to pay debt service on \$4,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020 of The City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois (LP 2/07/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS
- T. RESOLUTION 23-038-R: Authorization to Execute a Settlement Agreement and Release of all claims between William Brothers Construction, Inc. and the City of Batavia (LN 2/8/23 COW 2/14/23 12/o) GS

- U. RESOLUTION 23-022-R: Approving Intergovernmental Agreement with Fermi Research Alliance, LLC and the Department of Energy Fermi Site Office for Supply of Public Water Service (GH 1/30/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0) PU
- V. RESOLUTION 23-037-R: Authorizing Execution of the Notice of Award to Brandt Excavating, Inc for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project (JPB 2/7/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0) PU

Ald. Chanzit read aloud the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Ald. Chanzit, 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. ~~PRESENTATION: Batavia Islamic Council Announcing Support For Syrian Earthquake Victims~~

This item was removed for discussion at a later date.

9. PRESENTATION: 2023 Post Prom Donation – Nicole Corken

Mayor Schielke explained the origin of the Post Prom Donation, which is one of the ways the city spends fines collected from violations of the liquor codes. Funds are used to offer a safe entertainment opportunity after the Batavia High School Prom to divert students from illegal and unsafe activity.

10. MAINSTREET MINUTE

Kristen Desler delivered her report on recent and upcoming activities of the Chamber of Batavia MainStreet. She promoted a number of local businesses, marketing campaigns, and the upcoming Egg Hop. View recording for comments in full.

11. RESOLUTION 23-026-R: Awarding A Downtown Improvement Grant To Geneva Winery, 5-9 N. River St. (AI 2/14/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0) CD

Anthony Issom presented information about Geneva Winery's plans for downtown improvement. The applicant plans to input about \$60,000 of improvements to their location at 5-9 N. River Street.

Motion by Ald. Chanzit, seconded by Ald. Malay, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

12. RESOLUTION 23-029-R: The Batavia Police Adoption Of 10 Shared Principles (SM 2/03/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0) CS

Chief Mazza rose to explain the 10 Shared Principles developed jointly by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) and the National Association for the

Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). He offered to answer questions from the council. He read the resolution aloud, including a statement identifying the 10 shared principles. He recommended adoption of the resolution.

Ald. Malay said he was pleased to see the resolution presented by Chief Mazza and said it spoke well of the leadership and staff of the Batavia Police Department.

Motion by Ald. Malay, seconded by Ald. Leman, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

13. APPROVAL: Waive Formal Bidding For In-Car Video Cameras

Chief Mazza explained why this request has come before the Council. The Police Department intends to install new in-car video cameras for squad and service vehicles. Since the Department is already using body cameras, the Department would like to adopt integrated technology and seeks to waive formal bidding in order to purchase the necessary technology.

Motion by Ald. Malay, seconded by Ald. Wolff, to approve waiving formal bidding. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

14. RESOLUTION 23-012-R: Authorizing The Purchase Of Eleven (11) GETAC VR-X20 In-Car Video Cameras For \$66,100.00 (MJ 1/10/23 COW 2/14/23 12/0) CS

Motion by Ald. Malay, seconded by Ald. Connelly, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 13 yea/ 0 nay/ 1 absent.

13. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Newman is absent and did not deliver an administrator's report.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

Ald. Miller noted that Culver's is now open and he anticipates the opportunity to patronize the store.

15. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schielke delivered his report. He spoke about the progress of the Batavia History Signage project and shared the story of Mary Lincoln's stay at the Bellevue Institute. He also shared the story of the US Army convoy that crossed the United States on the Lincoln Highway in 1919 which brought a young Dwight D. Eisenhower to Batavia. He also shared the story of Kennedy's campaign speech in Batavia which was, in part, motivated by the administrators of the nearby High School and elementary schools encouraging students to leave class and instead wait for Kennedy's caravan to pass on Batavia Avenue. He also shared the story of Sharon Meyers who lived in Batavia when she launched her professional music career as a singer and songwriter. After she left Batavia she changed her name to Jackie DeShannon. He also shared the story of the

Sykora Greenhouse which grew many of the roses used in the Rose Bowl Parade. Review recording for comments in full.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Malay, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Kate Garrett, City Clerk, February 20th, 2023.