

CITY OF BATAVIA
MINUTES OF THE BATAVIA CITY COUNCIL

Monday, September 19th, 2022
7:30 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 7:30 pm.

2. INVOCATION followed by PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Uher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

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

REMINDER: Please speak into the microphone for BATV recording

4. ITEMS REMOVED/ADDED/CHANGED

Ald. Chanzit made a motion to remove the Executive Session and to move the Committee of the Whole Minutes from August 16, 2022 off of the Consent Agenda to become item 7a for discussion.

Mayor Schielke recommended adding the Peace on Earth Bridge Proclamation as item 10a.

Second by Ald. Beck, to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carried 14 yea/ 0 nay/ 0 absent.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Accept and Place on File:

- A. Committee of the Whole Minutes July 26, 2022, ~~August 16, 2022~~ and August 23, 2022
- B. Historic Preservation Commission August 8, 2022
- C. Building Reports July 2022 and August 2022

Approvals:

- D. September 16, 2022 Payroll \$986,463.27
- E. Accounts Payable Check Register \$4,595,797.30
- F. City Council Minutes for September 6, 2022
- G. PROCLAMATION APPROVAL: Rename the Government Building - Jeffery D. Schielke Government Center
- H. RESOLUTION 22-092-R: Authorizing Execution of a Contract with Mauro Sewer Construction, Inc. for the City Hall Watermain Project (SH 9/07/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CS
- I. RESOLUTION 22-097-R: Approving Master Services Agreement with Carnow, Conibear & Assoc. Ltd. (SH 9/08/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CS
- J. RESOLUTION 22-098-R: Authorizing Execution of Task Order #1 with Carnow, Conibear & Assoc. Ltd. (SH 9/08/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CS
- K. RESOLUTION 22-095-R: Approving a resolution to apply for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding for Fox River Bike Path Construction (RB 9/8/2022 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CS
- L. RESOLUTION 22-096-R: Approving a resolution accepting public utilities easement at 470 N Randall Road (RB 9/8/2022 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CS
- M. RESOLUTION 22-099-R: Approving a contract with Ray's Electrical & Boring Services to install HDPE conduit at 1435-1451 Lathem Street/Waste Management Facility for an amount not to exceed \$31,856 which includes 10 percent contingency amount (RB 9/8/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) PU
- N. RESOLUTION 22-093-R: Approving a change order to the Electric Conduit Construction Contract to install underground conduit and cable at Windmill Cove Subdivision in the amount of not to exceed \$200,000 (RB 9/8/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) PU

Ald. Chanzit read aloud the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Ald. Chanzit, seconded by Ald. Wolff, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 14 yea/ o nay/ o absent.

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

None seen.

7a. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES: August 16th, 2022

Motion by Ald. Chanzit, seconded by Ald. Wolff, to approve the minutes, as amended. Motion carried 14 yea/ o nay/ o absent.

8. PRESENTATION: Retirement Of Police Chief Dan Eul

Administrator Newman spoke about the career and achievements of Police Chief Dan Eul. She expressed gratitude for his dedicated service.

Mayor Schielke spoke about his time serving the City of Batavia with Chief Eul.

Chief Eul addressed the council with his thanks and confidence in the new Police Chief.

9. PRESENTATION: League Of Women Voters - Redistricting

Patti Lackman from the League of Women Voters of Central Kane County presented an informational program on changes to the political districts representing the City of Batavia.

10. PROCLAMATION: Move With The Mayor

In consideration of the Move with the Mayor national program, Mayor Schielke will present a walking history tour of Batavia on Sunday, September 25th at 9:00 am.

10a. PROCLAMATION: International Day of Peace

Mayor Schielke read a proclamation naming the pedestrian bridge across the Fox River the “Peace on Earth Bridge.”

Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Chanzit, to approve the proclamation. Motion carried 14 yea/ 0 nay/ 0 absent.

11. PROCLAMATION: Suicide Prevention Month

Ald. Chanzit read a proclamation naming September Suicide Prevention Month.

Motion by Ald. Chanzit, seconded by Ald. Wolff, to approve the proclamation. Motion carried 14 yea/ 0 nay/ 0 absent.

12. MAINSTREET MINUTE

Director Beth Walker presented about the recent and upcoming events of Batavia MainStreet.

Walker invited Amy Larson and Bill McGrail from the Community Dinner Table committee and Jim Perreault, the President of the Batavia Food Pantry, to join her at the podium. Larson and McGrail presented a donation to the Batavia Food Pantry from the proceeds of the Community Dinner.

Ald. Beck left the meeting at 8:28 PM.

13. APPROVAL: Class B-5 (Package Sales – Gas Stations And Convenience Stores) Liquor License Application For Casey’s Retail Company, D/B/A

Casey's #6544 – 2074 Main Street, Batavia, IL (8/31/22 SRM COW 9/13/22 9/o) GS

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

14. ORDINANCE 22-42: Conditional Use Permit For A Video Gaming Establishment In The DMU Downtown Mixed Use District. Wilson Street Tavern, 105 East Wilson Street. Mark Hogan – 105 WST LLC, Applicant (DMR 8/23/22 COW 9/13/22 7/2) CD

Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Solfa, to approve the permit.

Mark Hogan addressed the council to request permission for the gaming permit.

Ald. Uher reinstated his opposition to video gaming in general, not opposition to this applicant in particular.

Ald. Malay agreed with Ald. Uher.

Ald. Chanzit stated that while initially he supported video gaming, he is also opposed to its increased spread.

Ald. Leman asked for a continued conversation regarding video gaming, but supports it in this case.

Ald. Vogelsinger agreed with Ald. Leman.

Ald. Russotto asked how many licenses are currently in operation. Administrator Newman stated that there are currently 8 licensees, which is the same number as originally licensed at the beginning of the program.

Motion carried 9 yea/ 4 nay/ 1 absent.

Ald. Beck returned to the meeting at 8:41 PM.

15. RESOLUTION 22-091-R: Awarding A Downtown Improvement Grant To New Moon Vegan At 119 S. Batavia Ave. In The Amount Not To Exceed \$20,650.00 (AI 9/13/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CD

Jo Colagiacomì, the owner of the business, addressed the council to ask for approval of the grant application.

Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Beck, to approve the resolution. Motion carried 14 yea/ 0 nay/ 0 absent.

16. MOTION: Approve Of A Bid To Purchase Land At 916 Park Street For \$72,900.00 (SCB 8/30/22 COW 9/13/22 10/o) CD

Motion by Ald. Chanzit, seconded by Ald. Malay, to approve the bid. Motion carried 14 yea/ 0 nay/ 0 absent.

17. RESOLUTION 22-094-R: Approving A Resolution To Apply For Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Funding And Commitment Of Matching Funds For Batavia Ave (IL Rt 31) Road Diet Conversion From Fabyan Parkway To Millview Drive (RB 9/8/2022 COW 9/13/22 10/0) CS

Motion by Ald. Russotto, seconded by Ald. Beck, to approve the resolution.

Ald. Chanzit offered his thanks to Ald. Beck for reviving the conversation around the road diet.

Motion carried 14 yea/ 0 nay/ 0 absent.

18. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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

19. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

20. OTHER BUSINESS

Ald. Baerren brought up the progress of the Climate Action Plan committee. There will be communication from the committee to gauge the perspective of the council to best tailor the committee's upcoming report.

21. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schielke delivered his report. Review recording for comments in full.

~~**22. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Setting The Price Of Property For Sale**~~

23. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Wolff, seconded by Ald. Solfa, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Kate Garrett, City Clerk, September 19th, 2022.