

CITY OF BATAVIA – CONFERENCE MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2022

Present were Council President Jankowski and Councilmembers Viele, Pacino, Canale, McGinnis, Briggs, Schmidt, Richmond and Bialkowski.

In attendance from the City of Batavia was Angela Dickson, Lisa Neary, Chief Herberger, Chief Heubusch, and Brett Frank.

Call to Order

Council President Jankowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilmember Bialkowski read a prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

None.

Council Response to Public Comments

None.

Communications

Genesee County Youth Bureau submitted an application for a summer carnival to be held on Thursday, July 28th from 10am – 2pm at the David McCarthy Memorial Ice Arena. Council approved.

Kelly's Holland Inn submitted a liquor license application. There was no objection from the police department. Council approved.

Council President Report

Council President Jankowski announced the next regular City Council Business and Conference meeting to be held on Monday, August 8, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the City Hall Council Board Room, 2nd Floor, City Centre.

A proclamation was made to honor Jim Owen as Honorary Mayor of Redfield Parkway. Mr. Owen grew up on Redfield and made it a part of his life. He graduated from Batavia High School in 1961, was a teacher and still substitute teaches in the Batavia school district. Mr. Owen was named mayor because he participates in all events related to Redfield as well as in the community and wanted to recognize him for his dedicated service to the City and Redfield Parkway. Mr. Owen noted that is he was the mayor, his sister, who passed away a few years ago, was the queen of Redfield. He offered a history of his home on Redfield and previous mayors of Batavia.

SRO Contract

Mrs. Tabelski noted that the contract for a school resource officer was reviewed with the school district in April 2022 but the school wanted to add another. She explained that this contract provides that the City would arrange for two officers to be SROs and the school will reimburse 100% of the salary and benefits. She noted that the City would provide the uniforms, vehicle, training and equipment. She asked Council for approval of an additional officer. Council agreed to move the item to the business meeting immediately following.

Ice Rink Operator Agreement

Mrs. Tabelski noted that she was extremely pleased to present a rink operator agreement to Council for their approval. She noted that there were three responses received that were reviewed and scored by City staff along with non-City staff and one stood out which was Matt Gray / Batavia Sports Facility Management. She stated that the contract would be for five years with three five-year renewal options. Councilmember Viele noted that he looked over the proposal, it was fantastic, and will be a win-win for the City. Mr. Van Nest noted that the contract was consistent with what the City had with Firland with some changes. Councilmember Bialkowski noted that there was very little stated about the parking lot and who would be responsible. Mr. Van Nest noted that it is a City lot and they are a tenant of that property. Councilmember Bialkowski noted that he was happy to see someone local take on this agreement. Council agreed to move the item to the business meeting immediately following.

Resolution for Residency – Erik Fix

Mrs. Tabelski announced that Erik Fix was the new Assistant City Manager and asked for a waiver allowing him to continue to live in LeRoy with his family and kids who were still in school. Councilmember Bialkowski noted that he would like to see someone who is getting a paycheck from the City to live in the City. Councilmember Briggs noted that Mr. Fix is a Batavia native and thinks this is great. Council agreed to move the item to the business meeting immediately following.

NYS Main Street Anchor Grant – Batavia Business Improvement District (BID)

Mrs. Tabelski noted that this was a resolution to support the submission of a grant for the building owned by Kenny Mislner for theatre improvements. She noted that he has already started renovation, the grant would pass through the BID but it needed municipal support. Councilmember Bialkowski noted that Mr. Mislner had a great idea for the building, was on the right track, and wanted to see it move forward. Council agreed to move the item to the business meeting immediately following.

Firewall Technology Purchase and Use of Administrative Reserves

Mrs. Tabelski noted that she wanted to use \$12,000 of reserves to upgrade the City firewalls and this would cover one for the fire department and one for the City Centre. Council agreed to move the item to the business meeting immediately following.

Mall Roof II Close Out and Use of Facility Reserve for Overage

Brett Frank, Director of Public Works, noted that during the mall roof II project some deterioration was discovered so asking for \$54,000 to cover the overage from the original price. He also noted that there was a 20-year warranty on the roof. Council agreed to move the item to the business meeting immediately following.

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Conference Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Heidi J Parker
Clerk-Treasurer**