

**MINUTES**  
**October 1, 2019**  
**Committee of the Whole**  
**City of Batavia**

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. They 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. They may not reference some of the individual attendee's comments, nor the complete comments if referenced.

Chair Wolff called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**1. Roll Call**

**Members Present:** Chair Wolff; Ald. Miller, Russotto, Beck, Knopp, Chanzit, Salvati, O'Brien, Callahan, Meitzler, Malay, Uher, Cerone (entered at 7:06pm), and McFadden

**Members Absent:** Ald. Callahan

**Also Present:** Mayor Schielke; Laura Newman, City Administrator; Gary Holm, Director of Public Works; Wendy Bednarek, Director of Human Resources; Peggy Colby, Director of Finance; and Jennifer Austin-Smith, Recording Secretary

**2. Reminder: Please speak into the microphone for BATV recording**

**3. Approve Minutes for August 27, 2019**

**Motion:** To approve minutes for August 27, 2019

**Maker:** Uher

**Second:** Salvati

**Voice Vote:** 12 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent  
Motion carried.

**4. Items to be Removed/Added/Changed**

There were no items to be removed, added or changed.

**5. Matters From the Public (For Items NOT on the Agenda)**

There were no matters from the public at this time.

**6. Resolution 19-109-R: Authorizing Reimbursement to Marconi Properties for an amount not-to-exceed \$24,658.00 for Repairs and Resurfacing of a Municipal Parking Lot Located Behind the Building at 18 E. Wilson Street (GH 9/27/19) CS**

Holm reported that the property owner and the City formed a partnership to get this work complete. Page five of the proposal shows the portions of the privately owned and City owned parcels. Holm stated that staff is in support of Marconi properties having this work performed and the City would reimburse them for the City's proportional share.

Uher asked about the section that is underneath the former bank drive through. Holm stated that is still owned by the City. There is an easement agreement to allow the drive through to remain as long as the property is occupied by a bank. The building owner is seeking a bank to occupy that property. If there isn't a bank after a year, then the City could have the drive through removed and at that point we would be tearing up any improvements made to that area. Holm explained that is why nothing is being done because the fate of the drive through is unknown.

Michael Marconi, property owner, discussed resealing the area. To the point, if we repaired that area and later ripped the drive through out that would be bad money spent. At this time we are going to reseal that area to make it look nice. Marconi stated that he would be meeting with adjacent property owners who have strips of land behind the buildings to see if they will come along and fix the pavement in addition to what is seen in the proposal.

Beck asked if there would be any expectation of bicyclists traveling through the parking lot. Newman answered that is a discussion that needs to be had with the Park District. Holm stated his understanding is that it is not intended to be the route. The route is Webster Street. The signage will be directing people to the route.

**Motion:** To recommend to City Council approval of Resolution 19-109-R: Authorizing Reimbursement to Marconi Properties for an amount not-to-exceed \$24,658.00 for Repairs and Resurfacing of a Municipal Parking Lot Located Behind the Building at 18 E. Wilson Street

**Maker:** Wolff

**Second:** Russotto

**Voice Vote:** 13 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent  
Motion carried.

**7. Ordinance 19-64: An Ordinance Providing for the Issuance of not to exceed \$4,100,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2019, of the City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, Authorizing Designated Officers to Sell Said Bonds by the Execution of a Bond Order, and Providing for the Levy and Collection of a Direct Annual Tax for the Payment of the Principal of and Interest on Said Bonds (PLC 9/26/19) GS**

Colby overviewed the memo. Colby noted that this particular ordinance is different in that the bond sale will not occur when the ordinance is on the agenda next Monday. What you will be authorizing would be the sale and refunding of the bonds if it fits the parameters listed on the memo. Colby announced we anticipate between \$90,000 to \$100,000 in savings.

**Motion:** To recommend to City Council approval of Ordinance 19-64: An Ordinance Providing for the Issuance of not to exceed \$4,100,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2019, of the City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, Authorizing Designated Officers to Sell Said Bonds by the Execution of a Bond Order, and Providing for the Levy and Collection of a Direct Annual Tax for the Payment of the Principal of and Interest on Said Bonds

**Maker:** Chanzit

**Second:** Salvati

**Voice Vote:** 13 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent  
Motion carried.

**8. Ordinance 19-65: Amending 2020 Wages and Salaries of Non Collective Bargaining Employees (WB) GS**

Bednarek reported that we are recommending for 2020 an increase of 2.5%. She discussed the factors they review prior to recommending a wage increase including reviewing the CPIU, median public sector increases and arbitration awards.

**Motion:** To recommend approval of Ordinance 19-65: Amending 2020 Wages and Salaries of Non Collective Bargaining Employees

**Maker:** Chanzit

**Second:** Knopp

**Voice Vote:** 13 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent  
Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

**9. Resolution 19-108-R: Award Contract for the First St. Diversion Structure Rehabilitation and Main St. Force-main Bypass Connection to Performance Construction and Engineering LLC in the amount of \$153,615.00 (JB 9/26/19) PU**

Holm overviewed the memo with the Committee. Holm stated in 2009 this structure was identified as needed replacement as part of the wastewater master plan. We are to the point where we need to replace this structure, which is in very bad condition. Holm has been working with our engineer, BEI, to develop plans and now to solicit bids. Another aspect of this project is to isolate and install valves for bypassing a force main along Main Street.

**Motion:** To recommend approval of Resolution 19-108-R: Award Contract for the First St. Diversion Structure Rehabilitation and Main St. Force-main Bypass Connection to Performance Construction and Engineering LLC in the amount of \$153, 615.00

**Maker:** Malay

**Second:** Uher

**Voice Vote:** 13 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent  
Motion carried.

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**17. Project Status**

Newman reported on the following:

- Today the Public Works Department completed installation of additional “share roads” that have two chevron marks and a bicycle that are an indication to motorists that bicyclists are sharing the roadway with them. These “share roads” were installed on Water Street all the way from Houston Street down to Union Street.
- We had an onsite meeting with Oak and Swine restaurant. The Community Development Department was performing final inspection today. The meeting was regarding facilitating garbage service.
- We have request from the group doing the fundraising for the Flag Day monument. Soon there will be a sign on the east side of the Peg Bond Center that will be the future home

of that monument. The signage will state how this is the future site for the monument and how people could donate. Newman announced if you are interested in donating you could go to: [flagdaymonument.com](http://flagdaymonument.com) and it will show a rendering of the monument and list donation opportunities.

- The Batavia Toy Drive this year already has a space thanks to BEI. Please consider donating to this great event.
- The Plan Commission will have a meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and reviewing a variance at 804 N VanBuren, Conditional Use for a tattoo establishment, and a text amendment to add cannabis use definitions according those that have been written into the new State cannabis law.
- Prairie Commons is working hard on the second phase of their development.
- Public Works is doing fire hydrant flow testing in support of updating the City's water system.
- Underground work is continuing at the for an electric cable replacement. The equipment is being upgraded to maintain its reliability.
- A new transformer and substation is being connected and ready for final testing.
- The patching is continuing as part of the final phase of the annual Roadway Resurfacing Program.
- Area three sewer system separation remains on schedule for early November.
- Carriage Crest costs for construction is part of the 2020 budget proposal to help with storm water issues.
- The Fire Department is gathering data to support additional grants they would like to apply for federal funding for EMS transports. The Batavia Fire Department Open House is this Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at the West Side Station from 11am-3pm.
- The Kane County Health Department put out a press release notifying everyone that there has been an additional case of legionnaires disease confirmed. That brings the total number to fifteen.
  - The Committee discussed their dissatisfaction with the communication the City received regarding this matter. The communication was not timely or not at all. Newman noted that communication has improved.
- Holm announced that a thirty-year employee of Batavia has retired, Greg Koch.

## 18. Other

### **Discussion: Ordinance 19-66 IEPA Sewer Bond Ord**

Colby stated that she was not able to get this item on the agenda in time and asked if the Committee would be okay with this item going directly onto City Council's agenda.

The consensus of the Committee was in favor of placing Ordinance 19-66 IEPA Sewer Bond Ordinance onto the City Council agenda next Monday.

The Committee discussed the ESDA volunteers and their availability. Newman noted that the volunteers all have full-time jobs making afternoon availability during the week impossible.

Malay updated the Committee about the chalets, creating opportunities for a pop-up small business community. A letter of agreement is being created between the School District and

Batavia Main Street. The building trades program could be an opportunity for the shop students to build three of the chalets. Local professionals will be recruited to mentor the program. Mike Kluber offered to work with some students on developing the drawings for these chalets. The budget for this program is being discussed with City Staff.

**19. Adjournment**

There being no other business to discuss, Chair Wolff asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm; Made by O'Brien; Seconded by Salvati. Motion carried.