



Berwyn Township Regular Meeting - September 9, 2024

 Call to Order: The start of the meeting was delayed due to the absence of Supervisor Avila and lack of a quorum. Supervisor Avila arrived at 6:15 p.m. and called the Regular Meeting to order. The following Trustees were present on the call of the roll: Espinoza and Miranda Attorney Zdarsky and Accountant Egan were also in attendance. Avila made the
Pledge: Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Open Forum: Resident John Dunlevy and other members of the Berwyn Tree Canopy Initiative were in the audience. Mr. Dunlevy was recognized. He asked that the board approve the draft Intergovernmental Agreement allocating \$75,000 to the City of Berwyn and send it to the City of Berwyn for the City Council to approve as soon as possible. No one else asked to be recognized and Open Forum was ended.

4. Approval of Minutes: Town Regular Meeting of August 12, 2024: Supervisor Avila made the motion, seconded by Trustee Miranda, to approve the Minutes as submitted. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

5. Bills Payable and Payrolls:

5-A: Assessor's Office Bills Payable and Payroll: Avila made the motion, seconded by Miranda, to approve the Assessor's payroll and payables for \$1,234.17 submitted for payment through September 9, 2024. The motion passed with Avila and Miranda voting AYE. Espinoza voted NAY.

5-B: General Town Fund Bills Payable and Payroll: Supervisor Avila made the motion, seconded by Trustee Miranda, to approve the General Town Fund bills payable and payroll as submitted for payment through September 9, 2024 for \$40,700.37. The motion passed with Avila and Miranda voting AYE. Espinoza voted NAY.

5-C: GA Fund Bills Payable and Payroll: Supervisor Avila made the motion, seconded by Trustee Miranda, to approve the GA disbursements for \$34,339.52 for the period ending September 9, 2024 as submitted. Clerk Paul called the roll. The motion passed with Avila and Miranda voting AYE. Espinoza voted NAY.

6. Statement of Receipts and Disbursements: Avila marked the communication as Informational to be filed for audit by Order of the Chair.

7. 708 Board Report / Update: Nothing submitted for the agenda.

8. Correspondence: Nothing received

9. Old Business:

9-A: Engage a Realtor to Scout for Properties to be used as an Annex to the Public Health District Building (deferred from July Meeting): Avila made the motion, seconded by Miranda, to defer the item generally. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote in favor.

9-B: Review and Approve 2024 Tax Levy (deferred from August, 2024): Mr. Egan was recognized. He introduced the Tentative Tax Levy Ordinance based upon prior discussion directing him to prepare same using a 0% Levy. Mr. Zdarsky reminded the board of the statutory deadlines with regard to passing a tax levy. Avila made the motion, seconded by Miranda, to call a Public Hearing to be held on October 17, 2024 at 5:45 p.m. for the purposes of hearing comments from the public on the proposed levy, refer the Tentative Levy Ordinance to the Regular Meeting agenda on October 17, 2024 at 6:00, and direct the Clerk to publish the

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Public Hearing Notice and Agenda in accord with statutory requirements. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

9-C: Intergovernmental Agreement and Resolution for Tree Planting in Berwyn (deferred from August, 2024): Clerk's Note: There is no Resolution being considered in connection with the IGA at this time. Avila distributed an email he received from Zach Taylor; a member of the Berwyn Tree Canopy Initiative ("BTCI"). Mr. Taylor's email of September 4, 2024 was marked germane to Item 9-C. Mr. Zdarsky was recognized. He remarked on the changes to the IGA requested by Mr. Taylor. Supervisor Avila suggested that the item should be deferred two weeks. Discussion ensued. Members of BTCI entered into the discussion. They signaled that the IGA drafted by Mr. Zdarsky sufficiently met the needs of the group. Mr. Zdarsky explained the next steps necessary to present the IGA to the Berwyn City Council. Avila made the motion, seconded by Miranda, to approve the IGA as amended on its face to correct a scrivener's error. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

10: New Business

10-A: Review and Approve Annual Treasurer's Report: Mr. Egan briefly reviewed the report he drafted. Avila made the motion, seconded by Miranda, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2024 and direct the Clerk to publish a Notice of Availability in a local newspaper. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Mr. Avila signed the report. Mr. Egan received a signed copy and will file same with the Cook County Clerk.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, Avila made the motion, seconded by Miranda to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectively submitted, Marcare Paul Margaret Paul, Town Clerk