

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE MAY 5, 2014 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:29 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

MAY 5, 2014

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Weaver.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Weaver led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL** — The Roll Call of Aldermen by Clerk Ragona was as follows:

Present:	Tina Beilke	Joseph A. Marchese
	Thomas J. Belczak	Ted V. Schauer
	Joseph A. Kenny	Joerg Seifert

Absent: Sylvia McIvor

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor
JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator
Scott Coren, Assistant City Administrator
Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Service
Ernest Brown, Police Chief
Gregory Cheaure, Police Sergeant

4. **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM** — There being six aldermen present, Mayor Weaver declared a quorum.

5. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - GENERAL**

Tom and Carla Pantori, 7317 Brookbank, spoke against New Business Item A, and prefer parking law remains as is. Mayor Weaver and Alderman Beilke noted that the survey sent out by Municipal Services did not provide a clear consensus for a solution to the parking problems. Mayor Weaver explained that this item has been of concern for many years and several parking complaints have been received. The proposed ordinance would prohibit parking on Brookbank, Evans, and Elm during school hours and events. Residents would continue to be allowed to park on the street but must notify the Police Department of guest parking. Jennie Mangner of 7301 Evans spoke in favor of allowing parking on one side of the street versus no parking at all. Ms. Mangner spoke of a safety concern on Evans that she would like the city to address. She stated that Evans is being used as a driveway to and from school; the roadway is narrow; vehicles speed. She noted that two children were struck by cars. She requested the City focus on the safety issue and consider prohibiting the use of Evans as a driveway for the school and/or install speed bumps. Director Gombac advised that specific criteria must be met to install speed bumps. He will evaluate the situation and will meet with Ms. Mangner to discuss, review, and offer traffic calming methods. Dan and Terri Maddox of 7309 Brookbank spoke against the proposed ordinance and the requirement to call the police to allow guest parking. In order to be aware of when parking is prohibited, Mr. Maddox requested a high school event schedule be provided to residents. Alderman Marchese noted that school events are posted on their website; outside agency events would not be included in the school calendar. Mr. Maddox inquired how to handle a parking citation that is issued in error. Chief Brown assured Mr. Maddox that a review process is in place to handle those situations.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - April 21, 2014 City Council Meeting

It was moved by Alderman Seifert and seconded by Alderman Belczak to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of April 21, 2014 as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, Schauer, Seifert

 Nays: None

 Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Marchese received a call from Lou Mallers, regarding the number of coyotes in his area. Assistant Administrator Coren advised that he did speak with Mr. Mallers and that a Coyote Educational Video may be viewed on the City's website.

Alderman Schauer received a call from Steve Sedlack of 7705 Baker Court regarding his increased property tax bill. Alderman Schauer explained that the 2012 tax bill included a onetime tax abatement that reduced the city property tax levy by approximately \$500,000. He noted that the City determined all funds levied were needed for operations and future capital projects such as road and sidewalk repair and storm water drainage projects. He added that residents will also notice an increase in their water bills due to increased costs from the City of Chicago for water. He invited residents to feel free to contact their Alderman or City Staff with any questions about their bills.

Alderman Kenny received communication from Jeff Prince of the 1400 block of 77th Street regarding the increase in the property tax bill to which he provided an explanation.

Mayor Weaver urged residents to review their tax bills, identify the line items and compare the City's taxes versus other taxing entities.

8. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION "ART WERNLI DAY" (MAY 5, 2014)

Mayor Weaver read into the record a proclamation declaring May 5, 2014 Art Wernli Day in the City of Darien and extended gratitude to him for his many years of dedicated service.

Art Wernli thanked Mayor Weaver and the Council for the recognition and the opportunity to serve.

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS: BRYON VANA, CITY ADMINISTRATOR; ERNEST BROWN, POLICE CHIEF; AND DANIEL GOMBAC, DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Belczak to approve the reappointment of department heads: Bryon Vana, City Administrator; Ernest Brown, Police Chief; and Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, Schauer, Seifert
 Nays: None
 Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to Bryon Vana, Ernest Brown, and Daniel Gombac.

9. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

Clerk Ragona invited all to Meet and Greet the Mayor on May 19, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall in the upstairs conference room.

10. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Assistant Administrator Coren provided an update on the Electric Aggregation Program and the on-going bid process. He noted that the market for the electric supply has changed greatly from two years ago. The bids received to date are very close to ComEd's rates, and in some cases are even higher. The deadline to accept a bid is May 15, 2014. Treasurer Coren clarified that the significant savings realized two years ago was due to ComEd's very high rates; those rates have been significantly reduced. Assistant Administrator Coren will keep the council and residents apprised.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

Director Gombac...

...announced the concrete strike has been settled and the Concrete Replacement Program is back on track.

...advised that the DuPage County 75th Street construction project is approximately three weeks behind schedule; he continues to attend weekly meetings with the County.

...noted that he maintains contact with the local merchants affected by the County project to help their businesses during the construction.

Chief Brown...

...advised that the Lions Club has provided an alternate route for the 4th of July Parade as follows: staging will take place at Jewel; parade route will go north on Cass to 71st Street east to Clarendon Hills Road, and culminate at Hinsdale South High School. Parade Chairman Jeff Mikula advised that the route is the best option based on manpower, traffic

and construction. He added that the Lions Club will clean the parade route after the event.

Alderman Beilke questioned Chief Brown on burglaries targeting individuals. Chief Brown explained that there was an attempted burglary on Lyman and 75th Street; he believes it is not connected to the three in Woodridge and one in Westmont. A crime analysis is being conducted and he expects updated information to be available Thursday.

12. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 13-14-24

It was moved by Alderman Seifert and seconded by Alderman Beilke to approve payment of Warrant Number 13-14-24 in the amount of \$100,982.43 from the enumerated funds; and \$235,486.56 from payroll funds for the period ending 04/17/14; for a total to be approved of \$336,468.99.

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

Treasurer Coren provided a report on the April 30, 2014 Police Pension Board Meeting. He stated that he was pleased with the 1st quarter and calendar year overall investment performance.

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Municipal Services Committee — Chairman Marchese advised the minutes of the March 24, 2014 Municipal Services Committee were submitted to the Clerk’s Office. He announced the next meeting is re-scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Administrative/Finance Committee – Chairman Schauer announced that the next meeting of the Administrative/Finance Committee is scheduled for June 2, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the upstairs conference room.

Police Committee – Chief Brown announced the next meeting of the Police Committee is scheduled for May 19, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND THE
COUNTY OF DUPAGE FOR MOWING ALONG
COUNTY ROAD AND RIGHT OF WAYS**

- F. RESOLUTION NO. R-69-14** **A RESOLUTION TO ADD QUANTITIES TO THE CURRENT CONTRACT FROM SUBURBAN CONCRETE INC. FOR APRON RESTORATIONS FOR THE 2014 DITCH MAINTENANCE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000.00**
- G. RESOLUTION NO. R-70-14** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW 2014 INTERNATIONAL 7400 SFA 4X2, CAB AND CHASIS FROM RUSH TRUCK CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,642.00**
- H. RESOLUTION NO. R-71-14** **A RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY WAIVING BUILDING PERMIT FEES TO ENCOURAGE HOME IMPROVEMENT, MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADE DURING THE 2014 CONSTRUCTION SEASON**
- I. RESOLUTION NO. R-72-14** **A RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE**
- J. RESOLUTION NO. R-73-14** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CLASSIC FENCE, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,810.00 FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF HAND RAILS FOR THE CITY HALL AND THE NORTHERN ENTRANCE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**
- K. RESOLUTION NO. R-74-14** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH MARTINO CONCRETE, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,484.63 FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALK, STAIRS AND ADA RAMPS FOR THE CITY HALL AND THE NORTHERN ENTRANCE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**
- L. RESOLUTION NO. R-75-14** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF DUPAGE AS IT RELATES TO THE CITY OWNED INFRASTRUCTRE AND CERTAIN**

MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES AS
PART OF THE 75TH STREET DUPAGE
COUNTY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

M. RESOLUTION NO. R-76-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND
MUSCAT PAINTING AND DECORATING INC.
FOR THE 2014 FIRE HYDRANT PAINTING
PHASE 2 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$36,435.00

N. RESOLUTION NO. R-77-14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH
BEHM PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE, INC. IN
AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$111,090.00
FOR THE 2014 CRACK FILL PROGRAM

O. A MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF BUDGETED FUNDS TO PURCHASE
A POLICE K9 VEHICLE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$27,164.10

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING SECTION 9-3-2 (PROHIBITED PARKING) OF CHAPTER 3
(PARKING RESTRICTIONS) TITLE 9 (TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), OF
THE DARIEN CITY CODE

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Seifert to approve the ordinance as presented.

There was lengthy discussion about parking on Brookbank, which was to allow parking on the west side and prohibit parking on the east side of Brookbank; residents would be allowed to park on either side of the street.

MOTION TO AMEND

It was moved by Alderman Beilke and seconded by Alderman Belczak to amend the motion to reflect amending “B. Language to be added:”, first paragraph should read: “East side of Brookbank Road, between Janet Avenue and Elm Street, no high school or event parking any time.”

Mayor Weaver verified that the motion was to amend parking on Brookbank, to limit parking to west side only and that there were no other changes to the ordinance.

There was a call for the question on the amendment.

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: Marchese

Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 1, Absent 1

AMENDING MOTION CARRIED

There was a call for the question on the original motion.

ORDINANCE NO. O-15-14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9-3-2 (PROHIBITED PARKING) OF CHAPTER 3 (PARKING RESTRICTIONS) TITLE 9 (TRAFFIC REGULATIONS), OF THE DARIEN CITY CODE

as amended.

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: Marchese

Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 1, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLAT OF DRAINAGE EASEMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A STORM SEWER AT 122, 126 AND 130 IRIS ROAD

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Kenny to approve the resolution as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. R-78-14

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE
PLAT OF DRAINAGE EASEMENT
FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A
STORM SEWER AT 122, 126 AND 130
IRIS**

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, Schauer, Seifert
 Nays: None
 Absent: McIvor

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

18. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – GENERAL**

Alderman Schauer announced the Darien Dash will take place on May 18, 2014. He reminded Hinsbrook area residents to check for street closures on the Darien Dash website at www.dariendash.com.

Alderman Marchese noted that Consent Agenda Item A might be confusing to residents. Mayor Weaver clarified that the City is required by State Law to create a regulatory ordinance to identify locations for medical cannabis cultivation and dispensing centers.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman Beilke to adjourn the City Council meeting.

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:41 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 05-05-14. Minutes of 05-05-14 CCM.