

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 7:00 P.M. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SECTION 2(C)(2) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT – **CANCELLED**

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR MARCHESE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE MARCH 21, 2022 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:14 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

March 21, 2022

7:30 P.M.

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 Marchese.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Marchese 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:	Thomas J. Belczak	Ted V. Schauer
	Thomas M. Chlystek	Mary Coyle Sullivan
	Eric K. Gustafson	Lester Vaughan
	Joseph A. Kenny	

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Joseph Marchese, Mayor
JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
Bryon Vana, City Administrator
Gregory Thomas, Police Chief
Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services

4. **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM** – There being seven aldermen present, Mayor

- Waste Management agreed to stop picking up carts on delinquent accounts until the end of March.
- Residents need to call LRS if wrong cart size is delivered.
- Waste Management carts need to be left on driveway for pick up.

Administrator Vana addressed Council questions. He stated refunds for Waste Management stickers will be issued at City Hall through the end of April.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

A. POLICE DEPARTMENT – NO REPORT

B. MUNICIPAL SERVICES – NO REPORT

12. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 21-22-22

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Belczak to approve payment of Warrant Number 21-22-22 in the amount of \$445,297.52 from the enumerated funds, and \$291,930.39 from payroll funds for the period ending 03/10/22 for a total to be approved of \$737,227.91.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan, Vaughan

 Nays: None

 Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. MONTHLY REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022

Treasurer Coren reviewed year-to-date sources of revenue, expenditures, and fund balances through the month of February 2022.

General Fund: Revenue \$15,628,607; Expenditures \$11,062,258;
 Current Balance \$7,127,810

Water Fund: Revenue \$6,714,566; Expenditures \$5,788,644;
 Current Balance \$4,528,884

<u>Motor Fuel Tax Fund:</u>	Revenue \$996,913; Expenditures \$1,592,278; Current Balance \$770,958
<u>Water Depreciation Fund:</u>	Revenue \$1,581; Expenditures \$180,838; Current Balance \$2,916,111
<u>Capital Improvement Fund:</u>	Revenue \$1,992,055; Expenditures \$1,600,443; Current Balance \$10,405,998

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative/Finance Committee – Chairwoman Sullivan announced a Public Hearing for the proposed 2022-2023 Budget will be held on April 4, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. She stated the Economic Development Committee meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Municipal Services Committee – Chairman Belczak announced the Municipal Services Committee meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

Police Committee – Chairman Kenny announced the Police Committee meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

Treasurer Coren stated he had a planning meeting with auditors. Fraud questionnaires will be sent to City officials.

Mayor Marchese...

...noted DuPage County has sent out Statement of Economic Interest requests.

...stated the Citizen Action Group met at the Indian Prairie Public Library on March 12, 2022. Muniweb representatives presented the community calendar. Spreadsheet was sent to organization representatives for data collection. Community calendar is scheduled to go live on April 18.

Alderswoman Sullivan announced the next meeting of the Citizen Action Group will be held on Saturday, April 9.

14. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – AGENDA RELATED**

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

There was no Consent Agenda.

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE \$50.00 A DAY FEE FOR THE CLASS “J” TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE DARIEN LIONS CLUB

It was moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan, Vaughan
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0
MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO DIRECT THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Belczak to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan, Vaughan
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0
MOTION DULY CARRIED

C. DISCUSSION: PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY

Director Gombac initiated discussion regarding the current Public Works facility located on Frontage Road. He explained the goal is to receive Council direction regarding the three options under consideration:

1. Maintain the current facility and grounds with no expansion; prepare cost estimate for maintenance repairs of the building including the roof and office area upgrades.
2. Finalize a site plan for a new/significantly remodeled Public Works facility at the existing location. The draft site plan would not provide for future expansion nor house all of the seasonal equipment and other items to be stored. Additional storage of one of the two closed water plants on Manning Road could be considered. The preliminary cost is estimated at \$9-9.5 Million, which includes modifications for offsite storage at one of the retired water plants.
3. Begin to plan and identify property of approximately 5-6 acres, to be purchased for the construction of a new facility. The existing site could be sold with the proceeds used for the new facility. The preliminary cost for this option is estimated at \$15-17 Million.

A lengthy Council discussion ensued; Council shared their viewpoints regarding the three options. The majority of Aldermen preferred Option 1; this item will be placed on the next City Council agenda.

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

Alderman Gustafson encouraged residents to attend meeting on Wednesday, March 23 at Lakeview Junior High School regarding potential tax increases for Center Cass School District 66.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:19 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 3-21-22.
Minutes of 3-21-22 CCM.