

Minutes - September 5, 2006

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Alderman McIvor and seconded by Alderman Gattuso at 7:03 P.M. to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Purchase or Lease of Real Estate as prescribed by Section 2(c)(5) of Public Act 88-261.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Biehl at 7:20 P.M. to move into Open Session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

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 Coleman was as follows:

Present: Richard A. Biehl Sylvia McIvor William R. Durkin John F. Poteraske, Jr. Carolyn A. Gattuso
Kathleen Moesle Weaver Joseph A. Marchese

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor Joanne F. Coleman, City Clerk Kevin P. Monaghan, City Treasurer Gina Madden, City Attorney Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator John Cooper, Deputy Chief of Police Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Public Works

4. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM — There being seven Aldermen present, Mayor Weaver declared a quorum.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 21, 2006

It was moved by Alderman Poteraske and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2006, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Gattuso, Marchese, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Abstain: Biehl, Durkin, Mclvor

Absent: None

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

6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Weaver received correspondence from Bob Finn, 7305 Summit Road, in regard to the Concrete Program.

Alderman Biehl conversed with various residents regarding the Sidewalk Program; they complained that concrete had been left on the grass, which created problems while cutting the grass.

Alderman Mclvor received a call from a resident who complained about skunks in the neighborhood.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weaver invited everyone to attend DarienFest on September 8th, 9th & 10th. She indicated that the opening ceremony would begin at 5:30 P.M. on Friday, September 8th.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Coleman...

... invited everyone to have Coffee with Mayor Weaver on Saturday, September 16th, from 9:00 until 10:00 A.M. at Carmelite Carefree Village located at 8419 Bailey Road.

... noted that the scheduled entertainment for DarienFest could be found on the City's web site and on Channel 6.

... wished JoAnne Ragona 'Good Luck' with the 3-day 60 mile Breast Cancer Walk in Chicago on September 8th, 9th, & 10th.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vana...

... reminded residents that Amnesty Day would take place from September 18th through September 22nd on their regular garbage day. He indicated that the first two items required stickers and the rest would be picked up free of charge except for yard waste and hazardous materials. He encouraged residents to contact City Hall or check the web site if they had questions.

... indicated that he sent an email to Council regarding a bomb scare incident that occurred on September 5th at Our Lady of Peace school. He read the Press Release that the Police Department issued.

... noted that Ms. Pavel completed the required property maintenance items.

... commented that BP had the underground storage tanks removed from the vacant station located at Plainfield Road & Cass Avenue. Mayor Weaver indicated that they would also be removing the canopy and signage.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Community Development/Public Works Director Daniel Gombac provided an update on the following items: * Concrete Removal/Replacement Project – he indicated that the contractor, A & R, was continuing with work in the City. He said that landscape and maintenance restoration would begin shortly. * Water Tower Project on Plainfield Road – Chicago Bridge & Iron removed the water tower, garage, and foundations. The site was graded and Christopher B. Burke Engineering Ltd. staked the site for the new water tower. The anticipated completion date was November 2007 * Janet Avenue Ditch Maintenance Program – Phase 1 and Phase 2 (northern right-of-way of Janet Avenue west of Route 83) should be completed by the end of the week. He said that Survey Cards would be sent to affected residents. * 2006 Road Maintenance Program – Central Blacktop completed the fifteen (15) scheduled roadways. He said that Survey Cards would randomly be sent to residents. * Gallagher Asphalt began the road maintenance project on North Frontage Road between Cass Avenue & Clarendon Hills Road. * DarienFest – Public Works would close Clarendon Hills Road from 67th Street to Plainfield Road and Tennessee Avenue at Plainfield Road to thru-traffic from September 7th until September 11th. * Steak 'N Shake – He indicated that Staff was working with the developer in regard to outstanding landscaping and lighting issues; the order board volume was adjusted and resident said the problem had been rectified. * Bike Path – Remainder of the bike path adjacent to the Meyers Senior Housing Project had been completed.

There was discussion about DuPage County's North Frontage Road project.

Administrator Vana asked Director Gombac to comment on the Survey Cards. He provided a general synopsis of the form sent to residents.

Alderman Mclvor thanked Director Gombac for his persistence with DuPage County in regard to installation of missing sidewalk on Boughton Road between Havens & Woodward.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 06-07-08

It was moved by Alderman Biehl and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve payment of Warrant Number 06-07-08 in the amount of \$78,978.37 from the General Fund; \$2,739.25 from the Water Fund; \$6,376.98 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$26.95 from the Darien Area Dispatch Center; \$120,501.40 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/31/06; \$21,230.73 from the Water Fund Payroll

for the period ending 08/31/06; \$23,998.19 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/31/06; for a total to be approved of \$253,851.87.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee — Chairman Weaver submitted, for the record, Minutes from the August 14, 2006 meeting. She stated that the next Committee meeting would be held on September 11th at 6:30 P.M.

Planning/Development Committee — No Report.

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — No Report.

13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS — AGENDA RELATED

There were no agenda related Questions or Comments to come before the City Council.

14. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to come before the City Council.

15. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda items to come before the City Council.

16. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the City Council.

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

Alderman Marchese thanked Administrative Assistant Scott Coren for his quick, enthusiastic response to various issues.

Clerk Coleman indicated that Council still had time to join the American Cancer Society wellness program and that they should contact Rosanna Furman.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Mayor _____ City Clerk jr All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 09-05-06.