

Minutes

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:04 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE AUGUST 20, 2007 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:20 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

AUGUST 20, 2007

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:32 P.M. by Mayor Weaver.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3. ROLL CALL — In the absence of Clerk Coleman, the Roll Call of Aldermen was called by Deputy Clerk Dubman as follows:

Present: Halil Avci Carolyn A. Gattuso William R. Durkin Joseph A. Marchese John Galan

Absent: Sylvia McIvor John F. Poteraske, Jr.

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor Lynn D. Dubman, Deputy Clerk Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer John B. Murphey, City Attorney Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator Robert Pavelchik, Chief of Police Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Public Works

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

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 6, 2007

It was moved by Alderman Avci and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2007 meeting, as presented.

Mayor Weaver noted that a correction was made during the Work Session under the City Administrator's Report, Paragraph 2, Sentence 2 to read as follows: "District 63 will no longer be providing bus service."

The change was made by the Deputy Clerk.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese

Nays: None

Abstain: Durkin

Absent: McIvor, Poteraske

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2 MOTION DULY CARRIED

6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Marchese...

...advised that he received an e-mail communication from a resident who experienced two recent electric outages. While performing the repairs, ComEd damaged the sidewalk. The resident wanted to know who is responsible for repair of the sidewalk.

Administrator Vana...

...responded that ComEd will repair the damaged sidewalk.

Alderman Durkin...

... advised that he is in receipt of an e-mail from Sue Plahm, representing herself and a number of Darien residents, voicing their issues, concerns, opinions, questions, and comments regarding the Euclid Foundation Inc.'s proposed building at 7800 Cass Avenue.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weaver...

...referred to an article in the newspaper she read about the itch mite.

Dan Gombac...

...offered advice on preventive measures to take in order to avoid getting bit.

Mayor Weaver...

...gave a brief synopsis on her meeting at Argonne. The Attorney General has expressed opposition to the plan to locate the nuclear fuel recycling station in Darien.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Deputy Clerk Dubman...

...announced that The Barn Committee of the Darien Historical Society would like to invite all to attend Family Movie Night at the Historic Barn In Meyer Woods on Friday, August 31 at 7:30 p.m. where the movie the "Great Outdoors" will be shown.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vana...

...announced that the city has a new telephone system. The main telephone number remains the same, but the individual extensions have changed.

...informed the residents of the remaining brush pick up schedule as follows: August 27 through 31, September 24 through 28, and October 22 through 26.

...Amnesty Day is September 17 through 21.

...city services and events are publicized on the city's website, cable television, and through the Direct Connect e-mail subscription.

...leaf pick-up will take place October 1 through November 30 on regular garbage pick up days. No sticker is required for these special leaf pick-up days.

...reminded the viewing audience that it is very simple to sign up for Direct Connect. This is an excellent means to receive notification of various city services, news, and events.

Mayor Weaver...

...has received several compliments on this service.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Police Chief Pavelchik...

... extended gratitude to Deputy Chief Cooper for the hard work and extra time put in to ensure a smooth conversion of the city's telephone system.

...the new school year begins this week. A temporary closure in order to reconfigure traffic near Cass Jr. High and Concord will be put into place. Parents are encouraged to car pool when possible, and to observe the school zone speed limit of 20 mph.

...introduced Ward 2 Darien resident, Adam Buiter. Mr. Buiter, a Police Explorer with the Elmhurst Police Department, is being awarded a college scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 by the DuPage County Chiefs of Police Association. Elmhurst's Deputy Police Chief Jim Doherty was in attendance to present the check to Mr. Buiter.

Mayor Weaver...

...recommended Mr. Buiter's photograph be placed on the City's Wall of Fame.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 07-08-07

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve payment of Warrant Number 07-08-07 in the amount of \$76,893.64 from the General Fund; \$108,333.63 from the Water Fund; \$3,505.38 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$11,670.00 from the Water Depreciation Fund; \$1,807.97 from the Darien Area Dispatch Center; \$83,603.93 from the Capital Improvement Fund; \$106,076.73 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/02/07; \$29,808.25 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/02/07; \$25,122.64 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/02/07; for a total to be approved of \$446,822.17.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Durkin, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese

Nays: None

Absent: Mclvor, Poteraske

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2 MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2007

Treasurer Coren reviewed all year-to-date sources of revenue and expenditures and fund balances through the month of July 2007: General Fund Revenue \$3,618,120; General Fund Expenditures \$3,831,835; Current General Fund Balance \$3,275,709. Water Fund Revenue \$420,902; Water Fund Expenditures \$778,162 Current Water Fund Balance \$227,447. Motor Fuel Tax Fund Revenue \$171,102; Motor Fuel Tax Fund Expenditures \$33,656 Current Motor Fuel Tax Fund Balance \$399,313. Water Depreciation Fund Revenue \$45,751; Water Depreciation Fund Expenditures \$1,345,270 Current Water Depreciation Fund Balance \$2,181,432. Capital Improvement Fund Revenue \$2,470,564; Capital Improvement Fund Expenditures \$1,607,520; Current Capital Improvement Fund Balance \$905,264; Capital Projects Debt Service Fund Revenue \$2,666,614 with no expenditures and a fund balance of \$2,666,614.

Treasurer Coren reviewed the Cash Reserves Summary Report and updated the Council on the City's investments.

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — Alderman Marchese submitted the minutes of the July 16, 2007 rescheduled meeting and the August 6, 2007 special meeting of the Public Works Water/Streets Committee. The next regularly meeting is September 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Planning/Development Committee — Dan Gombac announced that the next meeting of the Planning/Development Committee is scheduled to take place on Monday, August 27, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Euclid Foundation petition will not be on that meeting's agenda.

13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS — AGENDA RELATED

There were none.

14. OLD BUSINESS

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

15. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Weaver indicated that during the Workshop Session it was determined that New Business Agenda Items A through F be moved to the Consent Agenda as items H through M, respectively.

Attorney Murphy advised that since a super majority vote is required for Item A, in the absence of two aldermen, Mayor Weaver should vote on the Consent Agenda for Item A only.

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve by Omnibus Vote the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. ORDINANCE NO. O-32-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY (VEHICLE) OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN.

B. RESOLUTION NO. R-51-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DELTA DENTAL FOR EMPLOYEE DENTAL BENEFITS.

C. RESOLUTION NO. R-52-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR AUDIT SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND AMAUDIT. D. D. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SPEND \$37,700 TO PROVIDE SPECIAL LEAF PICK-UP FOR RESIDENTS.

E. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SPEND \$20,085 TO PROVIDE AMNESTY DAY FOR RESIDENTS.

F. RESOLUTION NO. R-53-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CITIZEN'S FINANCIAL BANK FOR THE FINANCING OF THREE PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$360,038.00.

G. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RELEASE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES THAT NO LONGER REQUIRE CONFIDENTIALITY.

H. RESOLUTION NO. R-54-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A CORPORATE RESOLUTION FOR DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL SERVICES.

I. RESOLUTION NO. R-55-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE FROM NORTHWEST FORD AND STERLING TRUCK FOR ONE NEW 2008 STERLING MODEL L-7500, 9-TON, WITH A HENDERSON-MULTI PURPOSE ALL SEASON DUMP MUNIBODY, AND 11-FOOT SNOW PLOW IN AN AMOUNT OF \$138,447.00.

J. RESOLUTION NO. R-56-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO PURCHASE FROM NORTHWEST FORD AND STERLING TRUCK, ONE NEW 2008 STERLING MODEL LT-7500 , 14-TON, WITH A HENDERSON-MULTI PURPOSE ALL SEASON DUMP MUNIBODY IN AN AMOUNT OF \$146,446.00.

K. RESOLUTION NO. R-57-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 2007 TRACKLESS MT5-HYDROSTATIC FOUR WHEEL DRIVE ARTICULATING MUNICIPAL TRACTOR WITH A DUMP BODY, V-PLOW AND MOWER DECK IN AN AMOUNT OF \$75,145.00.

L. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF WILLOW CREEK LANE AT BAILEY ROAD TO ASSIST IN THE TRAFFIC FLOW FOR SCHOOL PICK UPS AND DROP OFFS AT CASS JR. HIGH DISTRICT 63, 8502 BAILEY ROAD.

M. RESOLUTION NO. R-58-07 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE OF POLICE DARIEN POLICE CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES CHAPTER #147 UNIT "B" – NON-SWORN EMPLOYEES AND THE CITY OF DARIEN.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Durkin, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese, Weaver (for Consent Agenda Item A only)

Nays: None

Absent: McIvor, Poteraske

Results for Agenda Items B through M: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

Results for Agenda Item A only: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 2 MOTION DULY CARRIED

16. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the City Council

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

Alderman Galan...

...advised that a sales person came to his house last week, identifying himself as a representative from AT&T. This individual asked to see Alderman Galan's telephone records. It was later learned that the individual was representing Warren International, a company hired by AT&T. The script that the solicitors are provided by Warren International is designed to mislead the consumer into believing they are AT&T employees.

Administrator Vana...

...advised that residents who would like to avoid such visits can obtain "No Solicitors Invited" decals from City Hall. Solicitors are not allowed, by ordinance, where these decals are posted.

Alderman Avci...

...commented that he had a similar experience as Alderman Galan, and that he does have a "No Solicitors Invited" decal posted.

Darien resident, Elaine Kindt of 1325 Chapman addressed the City Council in opposition to the 1600 square-foot basketball court at Alderman Durkin's residence.

Attorney Murphey informed Ms. Kindt that she should follow the appeal process outlined in the Zoning Ordinance.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk Id All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 08-20-07.

