

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:38 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE MARCH 17, 2014 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION RECESSED AT 6:40 P.M. AND RECONVENED AT 6:59 P.M. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:23 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SALE OR LEASE OF REAL ESTATE, SECTION 2(C)(5) AND PERSONNEL, SECTION 2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Beilke to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of Sale or Lease of Real Estate, Section 2(C)(5) of the Open Meetings Act at 6:40 P.M.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Kenny

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

It was moved by Alderman McIvor and seconded by Alderman Seifert to adjourn Executive Session.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Kenny

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

Executive Session adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

MARCH 17, 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	Sylvia McIvor
	Thomas J. Belczak	Ted V. Schauer
	Joseph A. Marchese	Joerg Seifert

Absent: Joseph A. Kenny

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**

There were none.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - March 3, 2014 City Council Meeting

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Beilke to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of March 3, 2014 as presented.

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

 Nays: None

 Absent: Kenny

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Weaver...

...received a thank you card from Woodridge Mayor Gina Cunningham expressing gratitude to the Darien Police Department for their assistance with traffic control during the funeral procession of Sergeant Richard Zawodniak.

...received a thank you from Burr Ridge Mayor Mickey Straub expressing gratitude for the opportunity to participate in the Citizen of the Year Dinner Dance.

...received an e-mail from the Metro Caucus regarding Earth Hour on March 29, 2014 from 8:30 to 9:30 P.M., and urged everyone to turn off their lights during that hour in recognition of conservation.

8. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION HINSDALE SOUTH DANCELINE – TEAM DANCE 2A ILLINOIS STATE GRAND CHAMPIONS

Mayor Weaver recognized the Hinsdale South Danceline Team:

Members: Emily Albert, Alexis Ardovitch, Elisabetta Bifero, Paulena Brocato, Erica Caruso, Dakota Dapkus, Madison Gaceta, Natalie Garino, Anna Henry, Meghan Ida, Isabella Jorgensen, Abigail Karban, Kailey McGinness, Hannah Nodus, Megan O'Malley, Nicole Palma, Mia Pique, Carly Poro, Caroline Roti, Kelley Sunde, Sara Thompson, Gianna Vanchieri, and Migle Varkalaite;

Team Captains: Elisabetta Bifero, Carly Poro, Caroline Roti;

Coaches: Head Coach Courtney Gillette, and Assistant Coach Heather Riggs

She congratulated the team and coaches on their Team Dance 2A Championship Award at the Team Dance Illinois State Championship on March 2, 2014 at the Peoria Civic Center. Head Coach Courtney Gillette thanked Mayor Weaver and the City Council for their recognition and support.

B. DARIEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE

Clare Bongiovanni provided an update as follows:

- Neighbors of Darien and the Chamber are preparing for the 2014-2015 Annual Community Guide & Directory; all Darien businesses are invited to join the Chamber and be featured in the publication.
- 2014 Vehicle Stickers are on sale at City Hall for \$3.00 each.
- On-line registration is open for the 14th Annual Darien Dash which will be held at Darien Community Park on May 18, 2014. The Darien Chamber will award \$2,000 to the school and \$500 to the local youth organization with the most race participants. Sponsorships for the event are welcome.
- Chamber 101 will be held at First Merchants Bank on March 26, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.
- The Chamber invites home base business owners to attend the Solopreneur Connection Event at BMO Harris Bank on March 27, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.
- The Darien Chamber is hosting a Multi-Chamber Breakfast Panel Discussion on Illinois' New Medical Marijuana and Conceal and Carry Laws at Ashton Place on April 16, 2014 at 7:30 A.M.
- Upcoming ribbon cutting ceremonies: Smiles on Cass, March 26, 2014 at 5:00 P.M.; Wal-Mart, April 9, 2014 at 7:30 A.M.; and Edward Jones (Tim Burke) at 7702 Cass Avenue, April 23, 2014.
- The Indian Prairie Public Library District is continuing their 25th anniversary celebration with a grand finale birthday party and ribbon cutting ceremony on April 26, 2014 from 1:00 to 4:00 P.M.

Clare Bongiovanni welcomed and introduced Dr. Tan from Smiles on Cass.

Dr. Francis Tan advised that he and his wife are Darien residents and have opened their dental practice in Darien. He noted they are pleased to be part of the community and are anxious to serve. He invited all to attend their open house and ribbon cutting on March 26, 2014 from 5:00 to 8:30 P.M.

9. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

There was no report.

10. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

There was no report.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

A. HERITAGE PLAZA REDEVELOPMENT PHASE ONE PRELIMINARY DESIGN

Director Gombac provided a brief history on the Heritage Plaza Redevelopment Plan and advised that Chase Bank will begin construction shortly.

Wayne Marth of ShiveHattery Architecture presented a detailed overview of Phase One-Preliminary Design Options 1 and 2 which included cost estimates. He responded to questions from the City Council Members. The City Council preferred Design Option 2, which will be on the April 7, 2014 Council Agenda. Mr. Marth reviewed the plans for the clock tower and fountain on the corner of Plainfield and Cass. The Council requested an alternate option for the fountain.

12. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 13-14-21

It was moved by Alderman Seifert and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve payment of Warrant Number 13-14-21 in the amount of \$502,026.38 from the enumerated funds; and \$268,768.76 from payroll funds for the period ending 03/06/14; for a total to be approved of \$770,795.14.

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

 Nays: None

 Absent: Kenny

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. TREASURER’S REPORT – FEBRUARY 2014

Treasurer Coren reviewed year-to-date sources of revenue, expenditures, and fund balances through the month of February 2014:

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<u>General Fund:</u>	Revenue \$11,500,430; Expenditures \$9,115,780; Current Balance \$3,308,237
<u>Water Fund:</u>	Revenue \$3,988,111; Expenditures \$4,790,202; Current Balance \$70,405
<u>Motor Fuel Tax Fund:</u>	Revenue \$567,571; Expenditures \$623,767; Current Balance \$236,513
<u>Water Depreciation Fund:</u>	Revenue \$63,035 Expenditures \$130,170; Current Balance \$675,584
<u>Capital Improvement Fund:</u>	Revenue \$4,483,122; Expenditures \$2,921,348; Current Balance \$5,372,871
<u>Capital Projects Debt Service Fund:</u>	Revenue \$504,306; Expenditures \$498,775; Current Balance of \$13,391

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Police Committee – Chairman McIvor announced the next meeting of the Police Committee is scheduled for April 21, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

Municipal Services Committee — Chairman Marchese announced the next meeting of the Municipal Services Committee is scheduled for March 24, 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 April 7, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the upstairs conference room.

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

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Weaver reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda for the benefit of the viewing audience.

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

- A. RESOLUTION NO. R-56-14 A RESOLUTION CONTINUING THE ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND CONTINUING TO ENGAGE NIMEC TO ACT AS ENERGY CONSULTANT, SOLICIT BIDS AND PROVIDE CUSTOMER SERVICE
- B. RESOLUTION NO. R-57-14 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CLARKE MOSQUITO FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE YEARS
- C. ORDINANCE NO. O-07-14 AN ORDINANCE ABATING PROPERTY TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED BY ORDINANCE NO. O-26-06
- D. ORDINANCE NO. O-08-14 AN ORDINANCE ABATING PROPERTY TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED BY ORDINANCE NO. O-28-12

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

 Nays: None

 Absent: Kenny

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE ABATING PROPERTY TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED BY ORDINANCE NO. O-32-13

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Beilke to approve the ordinance as presented.

Alderman Beilke advised that although she initially favored the abatement, given the flat sales tax revenues, numerous water main breaks, capital projects, and costs attributed to

the winter, she felt it was not the right time. Alderman Schauer advised that he is in favor of the abatement due to the significant increase in water costs to residents.

Roll Call: Ayes: Schauer
 Nays: Beilke, Belczak, Marchese, McIvor, Seifert
 Absent: Kenny

Results: Ayes 1, Nays 5, Absent 1
MOTION FAILED

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

Alderman Marchese reminded all that the Lions Club will be holding their Pancake Breakfast at Eisenhower Junior High on March 23, 2014 from 7 A.M. to 1 P.M. He thanked the Citizen of the Year Committee on the wonderful event honoring John Poteraske.

Alderman Seifert urged residents to vote tomorrow; polls are open between 6:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 9:01 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk