

Minutes

THE ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M.

DUE TO THE LENGTHY ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING, THERE WAS NO WORK SESSION PRIOR TO THIS EVENING'S COUNCIL MEETING.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the City Council of the
CITY OF DARIEN
JULY 7, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:45 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 Deputy Clerk Dubman was as follows:

Present: Halil Avci Joseph A. Marchese William R. Durkin Sylvia Mclvor John Galan John F. Poteraske, Jr. Carolyn A. Gattuso

Absent: City Clerk Coleman

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 Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Public Works Robert Pavelchik, Police Chief

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

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 16, 2008

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2008 meeting, as presented.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: Durkin, Mclvor

Absent: None

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

6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Marchese....

...received fifteen e-mails from residents of the Pinehurst Subdivision in response to an article published in the Neighbors of Darien regarding the possible removal of the stop sign at Pinehurst Drive and Pine Cove Court. All the e-mails received were requests not to remove the sign.

Mayor Weaver advised that this subject will be discussed in an open meeting in August.

Administrator Vana added that the Neighborhood Traffic Study will be discussed at the Administrative/Finance Committee meeting on August 11, 2008.

Alderman Marchese received a telephone call from Joe Carr expressing concern with a neighbor who has been digging up her neighbor's property.

Administrator Vana advised that staff will look into Mr. Carr's concerns.

Alderman Galan received a telephone call from Mr. Bohenic of 6726 Bentley expressing frustration with his inability to get service from AT&T. Alderman Galan referred Mr. Bohenic to Scott Coren.

Alderman Avci received communication from Vera and Wayne Heiser of 608 Plainfield regarding the disturbing noise levels of deliveries which are made to Culvers at 3:00 A.M., on a weekly basis. The Heisers are requesting the city's assistance.

Mayor Weaver commented that this was an issue in the past, and was rectified. Mayor Weaver requested staff try to assist the Heisers.

Director Gombac stated that he will speak to Culver's management and send them a letter.

Alderman Avci...

...advised that Ms. Heiser also mentioned that she has difficulty hearing the aldermen during the televised council meetings. Alderman Avci requested everyone speak directly into their microphones.

...received communication from Tom Weiland of 7221 Western expressing concern with the culvert at 72nd and Plainfield which has been filling very quickly and overflowing after a measurable rain.

Director Gombac will investigate the situation.

Mayor Weaver extended gratitude to the Lions Club for the wonderful 4th of July parade.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Weaver met with Tracy Schmidt from the Chicago Tribune today. As of this Friday, residents will be able send articles to the Tribune via triblocal.com. Beginning in August, there will be a printed edition of Trib Local included with Thursday's paper. Trib Local will provide information on Darien and neighboring communities.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

There was no report this evening.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vana advised that, as a direct result of the Darien Intergovernmental Program Initiative meetings, the Darien Area Public Administrators will be meeting on July 23, 2008 to discuss short term goals.

Mayor Weaver added that another result of the Darien Intergovernmental Program Initiative is that The Doings is now providing a Community Calendar on their website which lists news and events of the various Darien taxing bodies.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Police Chief Pavelchik...

...extended gratitude to the residents of Ward 3 for their efforts in assisting with the search operations for a boy who was missing on May 24. The boy was found at a relative's home in Westmont.

...warned residents not to leave their valuables and GPS devices in their vehicles.

...advised that many stop signs throughout town are not warranted. Traffic conditions determine the need for stop signs.

...thanked the Lions Club for the great 4th of July parade.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 08-09-05

It was moved by Alderman Gattuso and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve payment of Warrant Number 08-09-05 in the amount of \$57,782.65 from the General Fund; \$5,917.87 from the Water Fund; \$10,190.11 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$5,066.26 from the Water Depreciation Fund; \$6,785.69 from the Darien Area Dispatch Center; \$720.53 from the D.A.R.E. Fund; \$73.50 from the Capital Improvement Fund; \$164,853.05 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 06/19/08; \$20,124.57; from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 06/19/08; \$27,268.69 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 06/19/08; for a total to be approved of \$298,782.92.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee — Alderman Poteraske submitted, for the record, the Minutes of the Administrative Finance Committee Meeting of June 9, 2008, and advised that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, July 14, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. in the upstairs conference room.

Planning/Development Committee — Alderman Mclvor advised that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, July 28, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. at City Hall pending agenda items.

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — Alderman Marchese advised that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, July 21, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. in the upstairs conference room pending agenda items.

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

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

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO GRANT A WAIVER OF THE RAFFLE LICENSE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE U.S., DARIEN MEMORIAL POST 2838

B. ORDINANCE NO. O-29-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4-3 OF THE DARIEN CITY CODE (SIGN CODE) (TEXT AMENDMENT: SIGN CODE, NONCONFORMING AND POLE SIGNS)

C. ORDINANCE NO. O-30-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR THE CHAPMAN COURT SUBDIVISION (PZC 2008-07: CHAPMAN COURT SUBDIVISION, PLAT AMENDMENT)

D. RESOLUTION NO. R-68-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION DECLARING A DEFAULT AND DEMANDING PAYMENT UNDER A CERTAIN LETTER OF CREDIT (ARVYDAS RESUBDIVISION/NATIONAL CITY BANK)

E. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO ADVISE AND CONSENT THE APPOINTMENT OF ARLETA PEKNIK TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Attorney Murphey administered the Oath of Office to Arleta Peknik.

Arleta Peknik commented that the sign at the Darien Park is missing letters but the imprint is still visible. Ms. Peknik recommended the sign be painted.

Mayor Weaver offered to pass Ms. Peknik's suggestion on to the Park District.

16. NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Alderman Gattuso and seconded by Alderman Durkin to approve the following ordinance:

A. ORDINANCE NO. O-31-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY'S LIQUOR CONTROL REGULATIONS TO ALLOW FOR THE OUTDOOR SALES OF ALCOHOL UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

Alderman Mclvor suggested the City Council review the 4th of July parade candy distribution. There is never enough candy by the end of the parade.

Alderman Marchese recommended buying smaller items versus candy that comes in boxes.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Mayor

_____ Deputy Clerk

Id All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 07-07-08. Minutes of 07-07-08 CCM July 7, 2008