

Minutes

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE JUNE 2, 2008 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:09 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the City Council of the
CITY OF DARIEN
JUNE 2, 2008

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

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor Joanne F. Coleman, City Clerk 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 – May 19, 2008

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Marchese to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2008 meeting, as presented.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: Avci, Gattuso

Absent: None

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

6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Marchese received an e-mail from Lou Mallers, President of the Pinehurst Homeowners Association, residing at 1411 Pine Cove Court, thanking Bryon Vana and Daniel Gombac for their prompt response and efforts in the removal of the graffiti on the Pinehurst entrance sign.

Alderman Mclvor received three e-mails this morning from Joanne Djuric of 2441 Green Valley Road regarding her one hour power outage, and the five to six hour power outage of her friend who resides at 8017 Saw Mill Creek. There was also a power outage on Pine Parkway. Ms. Djuric questioned why a power outage would occur on such a nice day.

Administrator Vana advised that there was a wire down at Manning and Lyman, and an underground cable fault.

Mayor Weaver is in receipt of a copy of a letter which was sent to Ashley and Staff of Municipal Services from the Bakers at 6810 Bentley expressing pleasure with the mailbox that was provided and installed by the city. The Bakers commended city staff on their excellent and courteous service.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Mayor Weaver read into the record a proclamation declaring June 2, 2008 as Michelle Abbate Comcast Leaders & Achievers Award Day in the City of Darien in honor of her hard work and achievement.

Michelle Abbate thanked the City Council for inviting her to the meeting and for the recognition.

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Durkin to approve the following motion as presented:

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE REAPPOINTMENT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS: BRYON VANA, CITY ADMINISTRATOR; ROBERT PAVELCHIK, POLICE CHIEF; AND DANIEL GOMBAC, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PUBLIC WORKS

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Mayor Weaver thanked Bryon Vana, Robert Pavelchik, and Daniel Gombac for their excellent service to the City of Darien. The City Council appreciates their efforts.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Coleman announced that the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting of June 4, 2008 has been canceled due to a lack of agenda items. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on June 18, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Police Chief Pavelchik...

...announced that Detective Brette Glomb has received his Bachelor's Degree from Benedictine University. Detective Glomb has received recommendation for pursuit of his Master's Degree.

...advised that there were two incidents of vandalism on the south end of town. The second incident, which occurred five days after the first resulted in an arrest. Chief Pavelchik is confident the vandalism was not the work of hard core gang members.

...informed the viewing public that vandalism which occurs on private property is the responsibility of the property owner to remove. Following notification, the property owner has 14 days to clean the property. Following several discussions, it was determined that the Pinehurst entrance sign graffiti was in a highly visible location and needed to be removed immediately by city personnel.

...reported that notification went out today to area residents advising of changes in the parking around Eisenhower Junior High School. These changes are the result of many discussions regarding the insufficient parking at Eisenhower Junior High School during various events. Parking will be permitted on the west side of Park from 73rd Street south to Carrol Court, and on the east side of Park from 75th Street north to Carrol Court. There are no residential driveways on this street. In addition to providing additional parking for events, the changes will assist in reducing the speed of traffic.

...announced that the summer Alive at 25 Program will take place on Saturday, July 12, 2008 at 8:00 A.M. Anyone interested in registering for the program should contact Carol Kopta at 630-353-8133.

...advised that during the Concrete Replacement Program, affected residents will not be ticketed for overnight street parking during construction.

...suggested that a proven method for stopping crime before it starts is the organization of Neighborhood Watch Programs. It is very beneficial for neighbors to watch out for one another, and to be aware of what is going on in their neighborhoods. Residents should feel free to call 911 to report any suspicious activity.

...in response to a question posed by Alderman Mclvor, Chief Pavelchik advised that if a 911 call is made from a cell phone, the call is connected to the Sheriff's office. Upon connection to the Sheriff, ask to be connected to the Darien Police Department.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 08-09-03

It was moved by Alderman Gattuso and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve payment of Warrant Number 08-09-03 for FYE 2008 in the amount of \$13,155.74 from the General Fund; \$108,156.82 from the Water Fund; \$18,780.00 from the Water Depreciation Fund; \$46.99 from the Darien Area Dispatch Center; and for FYE 2009 in the amount of \$27,743.27 from the General Fund; \$87,570.35 from the Water Fund; \$4,106.69 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$2,340.00 from the Water Depreciation Fund; \$833.75 from the Darien Area Dispatch Center; \$816.00 from the D.A.R.E. Fund; \$121,197.09 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 05/22/08; \$27,149.36 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 05/22/08; \$19,817.64 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 05/22/08; for a total to be approved of \$431,713.70.

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

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — Alderman Marchese advised that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 16, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. in the upstairs conference room pending agenda items.

Administrative/Finance Committee — Alderman Poteraske submitted the minutes of the Administrative Finance Committee Meeting of May 12, 2008, and advised that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 9, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. in the upstairs conference room.

Planning/Development Committee — Alderman McIvor submitted the minutes of the Planning/Development Committee Meeting of January 28, February 25, March 31, and April 7, 2008, and advised that the next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 23, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers 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

Mayor Weaver requested that Item A. under New Business be added to the Consent Agenda as Item I. There was no objection.

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

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY STAFF TO PROCEED WITH PROJECT M-ROYAL SWAN LANE FOR THE 2008 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,400.00

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY STAFF TO PROCEED WITH PROJECT K-71ST STREET FOR THE 2008 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,283.00.

C. RESOLUTION NO. R-59-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND THE DARIEN PARK DISTRICT FOR ASPHALT PAVING WORK AT THE SPORTSPLEX

D. ORDINANCE NO. O-23-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DARIEN, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ASCERTAINING THE PREVAILING RATE OF

WAGES FOR LABORERS, WORKMEN, AND MECHANICS EMPLOYED ON PUBLIC WORKS OF SAID CITY

E. ORDINANCE NO. O-24-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE AND VARIATIONS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE (PZC 2006-09: 7800 CASS AVENUE, EUCLID FOUNDATION)

F. ORDINANCE NO. O-25-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED SPECIAL USE AND APPROVING VARIATIONS TO THE DARIEN ZONING ORDINANCE AND SIGN CODE (PZC 2007-10: 7502 CASS AVENUE, SPEEDWAY SERVICE STATION)

G. RESOLUTION NO. R-60-2008 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR THE 2008 STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND JAMES D. FIALA PAVING COMPANY INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,728,697.43

H. RESOLUTION NO. R-61-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LEASE TERMINATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND THINH NGUYEN

I. RESOLUTION NO. R-62-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND KENNETH DAPKUS/63RD ST. LAUNDRY ON PREMISE

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

16. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to come before the City Council.

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

At the request of Alderman Avci, Administrator Vana reviewed the City's policy regarding overgrown grass on private property. When grass and/or weeds are in excess of eight inches, the city will mail a seven day notice to the owner of record of vacant homes and lots, and post a seven day notice for occupied properties. If the grass and/or weeds are not mowed within the seven days, the city will employ a private contractor to do the work. A lien is then placed on the property. Typically, the city does not provide seven day notice for second offenses. The majority of tall grass complaints are for vacant properties.

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 7:55 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 06-02-08. Minutes of 06-02-08 CCM June 2, 2008