

# City of Darien

Minutes of the Administrative Finance Committee  
February 13, 2012

The Meeting was called to order by Alderman John Poteraske at 6:30 pm. Committee members Alderman Tina Beilke and Alderman Ted Schauer were also present. Treasurer Michael Coren, Clerk JoAnne Coleman, and Ward 7 Alderman Halil Avcı were also present. Staff members City Administrator Bryon Vana, Assistant City Administrator Scott Coren, Director Daniel Gombac were also present. Lauren Williamson from Patch online newspaper was present from the public.

## **Sawmill Creek Fabriform Repair**

Director Gombac gave an overview of urgent maintenance repairs of the weir located within Sawmill Creek tributary, located within the rear yards of Farmingdale Drive and Dorchester Lane. The project was unforeseen and not budgeted, but was creating safety hazards and holes in the area. The cost of the project would not exceed \$40,000.

Alderman Beilke made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Schauer. Motion carried 3-0.

## **Declare a Default and Demand Payment Under a Letter of Credit – Darien Pathway**

Director Gombac discussed Darien Pathway, a subdivision only partially completed, which has not had a complete road resurfacing, curb and gutter repair, sidewalk repair and storm sewer repair. The work could be completed in conjunction with services provided under City of Darien bids for the 2012 year. The resolution would declare a default and demand payment under the letter of credit.

Alderman Schauer made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Beilke. Motion carried 3-0.

## **Amend Ordinance Title 6C “Water Division” by adding new Chapter 5, Regulations of Potable Water Supply Wells**

In an effort to complete the required environmental cleanup at the BP Amoco site, the City is required to pass an ordinance restricting potable wells to the adjacent site due to potential volatile organic chemicals that may affect the groundwater supply. The ordinance mandates that no groundwater wells may be installed within the specified distance.

Alderman Schauer made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Beilke. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Liquor License Request - Walgreens**

Assistant Administrator Coren said Walgreens currently has two locations in Darien, at 8300 Lemont Road and 7516 Cass Avenue. At these stores Walgreens sells beer and wine, but does not have a liquor license that would allow them to sell spirits. Laura Milowski from the Accounting Shared Services Excellence Team has requested spirits be permitted for sale at both locations. To allow this, an ordinance would need to pass to increase the number of Class A liquor licenses from eight to ten and. The City of Darien will also reduce the number of Class E liquor licenses from seven to five.

Alderman Schauer made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Beilke. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Liquor License Request – Grand Dukes Restaurant**

Assistant Administrator Coren said Grand Dukes Restaurant would like to open a restaurant, deli and gift shop in the City of Darien. They have requested a liquor license that would allow them to serve alcohol in the restaurant and sell Lithuanian alcoholic beverages at retail in the gift shop. Currently there are six Class D licenses, all of which are taken by other businesses. In order to allow Grand Dukes to operate under this plan, the Class D licenses allowed by the City Code would need to be increased from six to seven.

Alderman Schauer made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Beilke. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Aggregation**

Assistant Administrator Coren discussed different options for electric aggregation if the referendum passed, including selecting a consultant to select a supplier, selecting a contract term, and selecting green energy options within the contract. Darien is currently a member of NIMEC for bidding electric supply for water pumping stations and streetlights, and has the most experience in moving municipalities quickly to the market to speed the pace of electric savings. With the City of Darien anticipating savings of approximately \$100,000 per month, the committee advised moving forward with this group that could offer the fastest savings, but still provide a bid process.

Alderman Schauer made a motion to approve, seconded by Alderman Beilke. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Draft Budget FY 2012-2013**

Administrator Vana showed the Administrative/Finance Committee reviewed the proposed budgets for City Council and Administration.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business Alderman Schauer made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Alderman Beilke. The motion carried 3-0 at 8:36 pm.

Approved:

John Poteraske, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Ted Schauer, Member \_\_\_\_\_

Tina Beilke, Member \_\_\_\_\_