

Minutes - March 3, 2003

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR CARMEN D. SOLDATO FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE MARCH 3, 2003 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:10 P.M. THE WORK SESSION RECONVENED AT 7:20 P.M. AND ADJOURNED AT 7:25 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the City Council of the
CITY OF DARIEN
MARCH 3, 2003

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 Carmen D. Soldato.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3. ROLL CALL: The Roll Call of Aldermen by City Clerk Coleman was as follows:

Present: Morgan Cotten John F. Poteraske, Jr.
David Hagen James Tikalsky
Joseph Marchese Kathleen Moesle-Weaver

Absent: Richard Biehl

Also in Attendance: Carmen D. Soldato, Mayor
Joanne F. Coleman, City Clerk
Judith N. Kolman, Attorney
Arthur P. Donner, City Treasurer
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator
Robert Pavelchik, Chief of Police
Gregory Dreyer, Community Development Director
Robert Mengarelli, Asst. Director of Public Works
Robert Rodgers, Asst. Director of Public Works

4. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM: There being six Aldermen present, Mayor Soldato declared a quorum.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 18, 2003

It was moved by Alderman Tikalsky and seconded by Alderman Weaver to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2003, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: Biehl

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Poteraske:

- * Received a request from Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kugland, 1500 block of 71st Street, in regard to placement of a streetlight at the corner of 71st Street and Emerson Drive.
- * Distributed email to Council from Argyle Lukes, 700 block of Walnut Drive, in regard to status of a subsidized taxi program.

Alderman Cotton stated that he received a phone call from a resident who inquired if Darien's law had changed in regard to parking vehicles over sidewalks; Chief Pavelchik responded that the Ordinance was still in effect.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Presentation by Chairperson Kyle Gilgis, DuPage County Solid Waste

Mayor Soldato welcomed and introduced District III Representative Kyle Gilgis to whom he turned over the meeting.

Representative Gilgis stated that she was the former Chairman of the DuPage County Solid Waste Committee, which ceased existence. She commented that recycling began within District III and was very successful in the 1990s. The Solid Waste Committee generated funds from hauler's fees / tipping fees to the landfills in DuPage County; the landfills no longer exist and therefore fees would no longer be collected. Some successful programs that began with the Committee, which would continue under supervision of the Environmental Committee, include: latex paint program, household hazardous waste collection, and cell phone program. She stated that closure of the processing facility would not affect residents and that curbside recycling would continue. Representative Gilgis noted that based upon population; funds were redistributed to municipalities and townships; the City of Darien received a check in the amount of \$93,548.00.

Mayor Soldato:

* mentioned that District III Representatives were instrumental with the Marion Hills Flooding program; he noted that the Dale Basin was scheduled for additional work in the Spring.

* informed Council that Staff was working on the redevelopment of the triangle at 75th Street / Cass Avenue / Plainfield Road. He said that Comcast, cable provider, had offered the City an opportunity to tape and comment about economic development within the City.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Coleman

* announced that the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 5th, was cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

* invited everyone to have Coffee with Mayor Soldato on Saturday, March 22nd, from 9:00 until 10:00 A.M., which was being held in conjunction with the Darien Chamber of Commerce Expo at Ashton Place, 341 West 75th Street.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: No Report.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Asst. Director of Public Works Robert Rodgers:

* stated that the City was working with DuPage County and Bruce Lake residents in regard to supplying water to the subdivision. He noted that of the 138 residences, 111 applied for permits and eighty-six have been connected to the City's water system.

* commented that drawings were received for the watermain extension south of I-55 between Leonard Drive and 87th Street; he noted that the City Engineer, DuPage County and Staff would review the drawings then they would be revised and sent out for bid.

* noted that the tree-trimming program was 75-80% completed for this year.

Clerk Coleman inquired when the first brush pickup would occur; Asst. Director Rodgers responded that the program would begin the week of April 21st.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 02-03-21

It was moved by Alderman Tikalsky and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve payment of Warrant Number 02-03-21 in the amount of \$50,045.89 from the General Fund; \$17,369.90 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$722.29 from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund; \$7,072.13 from the Water Fund; \$966.62 from the D.A.R.E. Fund; \$1,627.37 from the Darien Area Dispatch Fund; \$195,327.33 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 02/20/03; \$18,497.06 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 02/20/03; \$22,938.50 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 02/20/03; for a total to be approved of \$314,567.09.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: Biehl

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT: JANUARY 2003

City Treasurer Donner reviewed all sources of revenue and expenditures for the month of January 2003 with the following year-to-date fund balance: General Fund \$1,286,157; Water Fund \$762,635; Motor Fuel Tax Fund \$801,929; Darien Towne Centre Sales Tax Fund \$486,773; and Hotel/Motel Tax Fund \$85,697.

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee: Chairman Weaver noted that the Administrative/Finance Committee-of-the-Whole would meet on March 4th at 6:30 P.M. in the Police Training Room.

Planning/Development Committee: No Report.

Public Works Water/Streets Committee: No Report.

13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AGENDA RELATED

There were no Questions and Comments to come before the City Council.

14. OLD BUSINESS

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

15. CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION TO HIRE ASSOCIATED TECHNICAL SERVICES, LTD. (ATS) TO COMPLETE THE CITY OF DARIEN WATER MAIN LEAK DETECTION SURVEY

B. ORDINANCE NO. O-11-03 AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES LEVIED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. O-01-96 (Waterworks Bonds)

C. ORDINANCE NO. O-12-03 AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES LEVIED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. O-22-00 (General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds)

D. ORDINANCE NO. O-13-03 AN ORDINANCE ABATING CERTAIN TAXES LEVIED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. O-41-02 (Tara Hill Special Assessment Area Number One)

E. ORDINANCE NO. O-14-03 AN ORDINANCE VACATING CERTAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY (Cheese Road/Clinton Acres Subdivision (PZC 2002-04: Wight & Co.)

F. ORDINANCE NO. O-15-03 AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY, APPROVING A PLAT OF RESUBDIVISION, GRANTING PRELIMINARY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR SAID PROPERTY, AND GRANTING FINAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL FOR A PORTION OF SAID PROPERTY (Wight & Company/9129 Cheese Road) (PZC 2002-04: Wight & Co.)

Roll Call: Ayes: Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: Biehl

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

16. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO COLLECTIVELY PARTICIPATE WITH THE COUNTY OF DUPAGE IN THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PHASE II COUNTYWIDE STORMWATER PERMIT PROCESS

It was moved by Alderman Tikalsky and seconded by Alderman Hagen to approve

RESOLUTION NO. R-06-03 A RESOLUTION TO COLLECTIVELY PARTICIPATE WITH THE COUNTY OF DUPAGE IN THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PHASE II COUNTYWIDE STORMWATER PERMIT PROCESS
as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: Biehl

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: GENERAL

Alderman Tikalsky:

* thanked staff for their efforts in assisting the City Council with the paperless budget and agenda packets; he said it was a monumental event for the City and that it was very successful.

* received a notice from Comcast in regard to a rate increase for cable/internet access; he was concerned because the increase would be 20-32%.

* thanked Community Development for bringing the dry cleaners at Crossroads into compliance with the Sign Code.

* asked that the semi-trailer parked within Crossroads be investigated.

* announced that Boy Scout Troop 101 would be hosting their 30th Annual Pancake Breakfast at Eisenhower Junior High School on March 9th; the cost was \$4.00.

Alderman Poteraske thanked Cub Pack 236 for the invitation to be the guest speaker at their Blue & Gold dinner.

Mayor Soldato noted that the City ordinarily levied taxes in Special Service areas and areas where monies may be needed, but as in past years the City has been able to abate those monies. Administrator Vana spoke about the \$707,000.00 abatement of taxes, which Council approved under the Consent Agenda. He noted that the City Clerk's office would file the documents with the DuPage County Clerk.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE -- MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk

JFC/jr

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 03-03-03.

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