

MINUTES
CITY OF DARIEN
MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

August 4, 2025

PRESENT: Alderman Thomas Belczak – Chairman, Alderman Ted Schauer, Alderman Ralph Stompanato

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Mr. Dan Gombac – Director

Establish Quorum

Chairperson Thomas Belczak called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. at the City of Darien City Hall, 1702 Plainfield Road, Darien, Illinois. Chairperson Belczak declared a quorum present.

Old Business

- a. Discussion – Text amendments to Title 5A (Zoning Regulations) to update commercial vehicle parking restrictions and overweight vehicle parking restrictions on private property, including overnight parking (applies to all zoning districts within the City).**

Mr. Gombac reported that in the previous meeting they had discussed banning construction equipment, but further research had been necessary. He reported that vehicles like RVs and watercrafts are allowed on the side or rear yards, so they may consider including construction equipment in that rule. He further reported that if they would allow equipment such as a Bobcat, they would still require a variation and be limited to a class 2 vehicle.

Chairman Belczak questioned if there had been a resident doing this already.

Mr. Gombac confirmed that there had been roughly five residents doing this and that some areas would be part of a grandfather or sunset clause.

There was some discussion regarding whether it would be better to include a grandfather or sunset clause.

Mr. Gombac reported that they could include a grandfather clause and inventory it next year when they have a better handle on it.

There was some discussion regarding what specific vehicles would be allowed.

Mr. Gombac clarified that the Code would allow one inside and one outside vehicle at most, meaning one may be parked on the driveway, rear or side yard and one may be parked in the

garage. He further reported that he would prepare a report for an upcoming meeting to further consider.

There was no one in the audience wishing to present public comment.

New Business

- a. Motion – Authorizing the purchase and installation of pre-wet/anti-icing equipment and hydraulic controls from Lindco Equipment Sales, in an amount not to exceed \$100,367, as per the unit prices.**

Mr. Gombac reported that the equipment would be for de-icing and anti-icing and would expand the services to secondary roads. He reported that pre-wetting would spray an additive to roads to help prevent ice. He further reported that the item had initially been over budget, but after further consideration he had removed the purchase of a concrete mixer from the budget to free up allotted funds.

There was no one in the audience wishing to present public comment.

Alderman Schauer made a motion, and it was seconded by Alderman Stompanato to approve a Motion authorizing the purchase and installation of pre-wet/anti-icing equipment and hydraulic controls from Lindco Equipment Sales, in an amount not to exceed \$100,367, as per the unit prices.

Upon voice vote, the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0.

- b. Minutes – June 23, 2025 Municipal Services Committee**

There was no one in the audience wishing to present public comment.

Alderman Stompanato made a motion, and it was seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the June 23, 2025 Municipal Services Committee Minutes.

Upon voice vote, the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0.

Minutes – July 21, 2025 Municipal Services Committee

Alderman Schauer made a motion, and it was seconded by Alderman Stompanato to approve the July 21, 2025 Municipal Services Committee Minutes.

Upon voice vote, the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3-0.

Director's Report

Mr. Gombac reported that he had closed on two of the four houses for the Plainfield Road project and is hoping to have all secured by the end of August.

Mr. Gombac reported that the rain storm on Friday, July 25 had caused flooding and damage at City Hall and the Police Department. He reported that Planning and Zoning records had been

damaged and that they would be trying to salvage documents. He further reported that the City infrastructure held well and any homes that flooded were due to failing sump pumps.

Next Scheduled Meeting

Chairman Belczak announced that the next meeting is scheduled for August 25, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Committee, Alderman Stompanato made a motion, and it was seconded by Alderman Schauer to adjourn. Upon voice vote, the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, and the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

X

Thomas Belczak
Chairman

X

Ted Schauer
Alderman

X

Ralph Stompanato
Alderman