

## **Minutes - September 19, 2005**

### ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM

Clerk Coleman stated that due to a family commitment, Mayor Soldato was unable to attend the meeting. Clerk Coleman asked Council for nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem.

It was motioned by Alderman Poteraske and seconded by Alderman Mclvor to appoint Alderman Kathleen Weaver as Mayor Pro-Tem. There being no other nominations, she closed the election and called for the question.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, Mclvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Gattuso at 7:05 P.M. to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation as prescribed by Section 2(c)(11) of Public Act 88-261.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, Mclvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman Biehl at 7:30 P.M. to move into Open Session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, Mclvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

SEPTEMBER 19, 2005

## 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 Pro-Tem Weaver.

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver announced that Girl Scout Troop 325 and Leader Nancy Segredo were in the audience; they 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: Richard A. Biehl Sylvia Mclvor William R. Durkin John F. Poteraske, Jr. Carolyn A. Gattuso Kathleen Moesle-Weaver Joseph A. Marchese

Also in Attendance: Joanne F. Coleman, City Clerk Kevin P. Monaghan, City Treasurer John B. Murphey, City Attorney Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator Robert Pavelchik, Chief of Police Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Public Works

## 4. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM — There being seven Aldermen present, Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver declared a quorum.

## 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

## 6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Mclvor received a call from Kelly & Chris Collins, 3120 Beller Drive, regarding sidewalk replacement; the parkway and sprinkler system had been damaged. She said that the resident notified Public Works.

Alderman Poteraske indicated that the Administrative/Finance Committee reviewed the 73rd Street & Park Avenue area for parking; he received a call from Alicia Wade, 1530 Carrol Court, who requested that the intersection be reviewed for a 3-way STOP sign. It was indicated that the Committee would review the request at a future date.

Alderman Durkin received an email that was sent to raise awareness of children inhaling aerosol cans; Chief Pavelchik said that the education was part of the D.A.R.E. Program.

Alderman Weaver commented that some residents brought an issue before the Administrative/Finance Committee in regard to parking of recreational vehicles and boats on driveways; she noted that the Committee previously addressed the issue, made changes but not as stringent as residents requested. Alderman Weaver polled the Council; each Alderman indicated that the Ordinance should be left alone. She suggested that residents be surveyed in regard to the parking of recreational vehicles in the Darien Data.

## 7. MAYOR'S REPORT

### A. RECOGNITION OF GIRL SCOUT TROOP 325

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver recognized Girl Scout Troop 325 and Leader Nancy Segredo who planted flowers for a Darien resident. Each scout was presented with a Darien pin.

## B. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION "FIRE PREVENTION MONTH" (OCTOBER)

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver called upon citizens of Darien to participate in fire prevention activities at work and school to ensure their safety and the safety of their families and friends in the event of a fire. Tri-State Fire Public Education Officer David Zalesiak accepted the Proclamation.

## C. COM ED UPDATE

Mayor Pro-Tem Weaver indicated that the update would normally be provided by ComEd but no representative was present. Administrator Vana said that two weeks ago ComEd attended the Council meeting and committed to be at all meetings for an update.

Alderman Poteraske indicated that ComEd had publicized information about the amount of money they spent making improvements to their system. He displayed one of the newspaper advertisements.

## 8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT — NO REPORT

## 9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vana...

... noted that Mayor Soldato asked him to read the Press Release that was sent to Council and the newspapers. The Press Release was in regard to the ComEd power outage and the City's request for reliable service for Darien citizens.

... announced that DuPage County and Illinois EPA would host a hazardous waste collection on October 1 at the DuPage County Complex in Wheaton from 8:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.

... commented that Amnesty Day began on September 19th, was going well, and ARC was doing a good job with pickup. Alderman McIvor inquired about recycling; Administrator Vana indicated that residents did not need to separate their recycling materials.

... noted that brush pickup would take place September 26-30; the final pickup would be the week of October 24-28.

... indicated that the Fall Leave Disposal Program would begin the week of October 3 and would end on the resident's last collection date in November.

... advised that residents seeking Public Works services should come to or call City Hall 630) 852-5000.

## 10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Community Development/Public Works Director Daniel Gombac...

... Sidewalk Removal and Replacement Project – A & R Concrete began work on September 12th; the project consisted of approximately 38,000 sq.ft. of various concrete work; the project should be completed on/about September 30th. He indicated that if a resident wanted to participate with the program, they should call City Hall at 852-5000 X206 prior to September 21st. Landscape restoration, due to concrete work, would begin on September 21st.

... Crest Hill Basin at Plainfield Road & High Road – the DuPage County project was reaching completion. He spoke about the proposed plantings, which include many varieties of prairie plants, grass, and trees.

... Water Tower Replacement Project at Plainfield Road & Cass Avenue - staff received a preliminary cost estimate for the proposed project from Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. in the amount of \$3.25 million, which included demolition; tank and construction; garage; pump station, piping and electrical; and site work. The Administrative/Finance Committee would review the proposal and prepare for the public hearing process for Special Use.

... 75th Street & Plainfield Road Bike Paths – scheduled sod restoration along Plainfield Road would begin during the week of September 19th; bike paths have been placed except for section between Country Lane & Nantucket Drive on 75th Street due to needed relocation of service poles by ComEd; Spring 2006 is the current bike path completion date.

... 50/50 Tree Planting Program – tree planting should begin within the next two weeks along 75th Street and at various residences.

Alderman Biehl commented about the Crest Road Project, he was under the impression that the bottom would be 'grassy'. Director Gombac stated that other plantings would be placed. Administrator Vana indicated that it would not have a flat bottom; it was a sloped basin and deeper than the Dale Basin. There was discussion about wet bottoms and/or retention of water within the basins. Administrator Vana indicated that he would update Council via the Administrator's Report.

Alderman Biehl inquired if additional planting had been completed in front of Rick Ray's residence; Director Gombac said that the work was recently completed.

## 11. TREASURER'S REPORT

### A. WARRANT NUMBER 05-06-09

It was moved by Alderman Poteraske and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve payment of Warrant Number 05-06-09 in the amount of \$56,126.33 from the General Fund; \$152,097.33 from the Water Fund; \$12,438.21 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$2,273.38 from the Darien Area Dispatch Fund; \$192,044.98 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/01/05; \$23,199.05 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/01/05; \$28,539.78 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/01/05; \$235,478.01 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/15/05; \$25,509.81 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/15/05; \$26,839.73 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/15/05; for a total to be approved of \$754,546.61.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

### B. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2005

City Treasurer Monaghan reviewed all sources of revenue and expenditures for the month of August 2005 with the following year-to-date fund balances: General Fund \$4,405,298; Water Fund \$251,521; and Motor Fuel Tax Fund \$417,626.

## 12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee — Chairman Weaver submitted, for the record, Minutes from the August 8, 2005 meeting. The Committee recommended approval of Consent Agenda Items C and D in response to resident concerns.

Planning/Development Committee — Chairman Poteraske announced that the Committee would meet on Monday, September 26th, at 6:30 P.M.

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 Biehl and seconded by Alderman McIvor to approve by Omnibus Vote the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HINSDALE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING PARADE ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 BEGINNING AT 3:45 P.M.

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CLOSURE OF CLARENDON HILLS ROAD FROM 75th STREET TO 69th STREET; CLOSURE OF 71st STREET FROM CLARENDON HILLS ROAD TO BENTLEY AVENUE; CLOSURE OF BENTLEY AVENUE FROM 71st STREET TO 69th STREET; AND CLOSURE OF 69th STREET FROM BENTLEY AVENUE TO CLARENDON HILLS ROAD. THE PARADE WILL BEGIN ON THE NORTH SIDE OF DARIEN CITY PARK; WEST ON 71st STREET; NORTH ON BENTLEY; EAST ON 69th STREET; SOUTH ON CLARENDON HILLS ROAD; EAST ON ELM STREET AND THEN DISPERSE NEAR HINSDALE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS

C. ORDINANCE NO. O-23-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 (DEFINITION; NUISANCES PROHIBITED) OF CHAPTER 3 (NUISANCES), TITLE 7 (HEALTH AND SANITATION), OF THE DARIEN CITY CODE

D. ORDINANCE NO. O-24-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3 (DOGS AND CATS), TITLE 8 (POLICE REGULATIONS), OF THE DARIEN CITY CODE

E. ORDINANCE NO. O-25-05 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A PRO RATA REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COSTS OF CERTAIN WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS (LEONARD AVENUE AND FRONTAGE ROAD)

F. ORDINANCE NO. O-26-05 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN (AUCTION E BAY)

G. ORDINANCE NO. O-27-05 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN (POLICE AUCTION)

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Durkin, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Weaver

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

Alderman Marchese stated that by an Act of Congress, September 17th was designated as 'Constitution Day'. He indicated that High School teachers had to provide facts/data on the Constitution to education students and the general public. He informed Council that they were able to make decisions on a day-to-day basis because of the Constitution.

#### 18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk jr All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 09-19-05.