Administrative/Finance Committee
August 9, 2010
6:30p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30p.m. with Chairman Poteraske, Alderman Gattuso, Alderman Avci, Alderman Galan, Alderman Marchese Assistant Administrator Coren, Director Gombac and resident Jospeh Jocewicz of 1021 Village Court present.

Joseph Jocewicz was representing Hinsdale South High School Athletic Club, which was requesting a police presence for a 5K run on Sunday, May 1, 2011. Because the City of Darien could not agree to providing a police presence prior to the budget hearings, Hinsdale South High School agreed to reimburse the City for this cost if it was not included in the budget. The committee approved of this plan 3-0.

The committee discussed the bid for the salt storage building, which came in over budget but was recommended for approval by the Municipal Services committee. Alderman Marchese discussed the circumstances under which the Municipal Services Committee recommended approval, as they thought the overrun could have been covered through funds not used on projects. After Staff review, they found this was not possible. The Committee and Aldermen Marchese and Galan discussed the necessity of a new storage facility despite the bid being higher than anticipated. The Committee recommended approving a storage facility in an amount not to exceed $220,000, which is the original budgeted figure plus the expected surplus on summer projects plus an amount received from the insurance company for damage to the building.

The Committee was updated on foreclosures by Assistant Administrator Coren, who went through the process of maintaining the grass on these homes. The Committee discussed scenarios including safety and aesthetic issues at these homes. The Committee agreed to keep existing practices the same for foreclosure properties.

A motion was made by Alderman Avci, seconded by Alderman Gattuso, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried 3-0 in favor.

John Poteraske, Chairman _____

Halil Avci, Member _____

Carolyn Gattuso, Member _____