A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR MARCHESE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE APRIL 15, 2024 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:24 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

APRIL 15, 2024

7:30 P.M.

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Marchese.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

3. **ROLL CALL** — The Roll Call of Aldermen by Clerk Ragona was as follows:

Present: Thomas J. Belczak Ted V. Schauer

Eric K. Gustafson Ralph Stompanato
Joseph A. Kenny Mary Coyle Sullivan

Gerry Leganski

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Joseph Marchese, Mayor

JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer Bryon Vana, City Administrator Gregory Thomas, Police Chief

Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services

- 4. <u>**DECLARATION OF A QUORUM**</u> There being seven aldermen present, Mayor Marchese declared a quorum.
- 5. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS GENERAL**

There were none.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – April 1, 2024

It was moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman Leganski to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of April 1, 2024.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer,

Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderwoman Sullivan received communication from a resident in the Carriage Greens area regarding trucks parked and stored at Carriage Greens Country Club; owners have been contacted regarding removal.

8. MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Marchese noted change to the order of items under the Mayors Report.

A. WELCOME NEW BUSINESS – TONY & TINA'S DELI

April Padalik, Darien Chamber of Commerce, announced Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Tony & Tina's Deli located at 8133 S. Cass on Thursday, April 18, from 5:00 – 7:00 P.M. She introduced Tony and Tina Buzinski who spoke about menu items and their business.

Alderwoman Sullivan and Mayor Joe commented on the food and dining experience.

Ms. Buzinski thanked the City of Darien for the ability to move forward with their dream and for the outpouring of support.

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN E. CALLAN TO THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

It was moved by Alderwoman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer,

Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to John E. Callan.

C. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY MAY TO THE POLICE PENSION BOARD

It was moved by Alderman Belczak and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer,

Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to Jeffrey May.

D. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO THE REAPPOINTMENTS OF ALLAN JACKIMEK, HEATHER CONROY, DEB HARDTKE AND ARLETA PEKNIK TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

It was moved by Alderwoman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the motion as presented.

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Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer,

Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to Allan Jackimek, Heather Conroy, Deb Hardtke, and Arleta Peknik.

E. HINSDALE SOUTH STUDENT RECOGNITION

Mayor Marchese recognized Hinsdale South All-State Athletes:

Parker Chen – Boys Swimming: 13th Place 100 Yard Backstroke

Chloe Goins – Girls Tennis: 3rd Place Singles

Kelsey Pettry – Girls Bowling: State Champion Wheelchair Division

Amerie Flowers – Girls Basketball Amelia Lavorato – Girls Basketball

In addition, he acknowledged the Girls Basketball Team who were 4th in State and brought home the first ever Girls Basketball State Trophy in school history.

Dr. Patrick Hardy, Principal, expressed his honor in celebrating these outstanding students and athletes; he acknowledged their phenomenal work.

Coaches Beth Walker (Swimming), Courtney Bison (Tennis), Scott Tanaka (Basketball), and Patrick Maag (Bowling) recognized athletes on their respective teams.

Mayor Marchese congratulated and presented students with City of Darien pins.

Alderwoman Sullivan announced Hinsdale South High School spring musical, The 25th Annual Putman County Spelling Bee, will run from April 18 – 20; she shared production times and ticket cost.

Mayor Marchese commented that the Downers Grove South High School Wind Ensemble will be attending the May 20 City Council Meeting.

Alderman Leganski commented on attending super-sectional game. He commented on his excitement in seeing the student body on the court and bringing the school and community together.

9. <u>CITY CLERK'S REPORT</u>

Clerk Ragona reminded those who received Economic Interest Statements from DuPage County and City of Darien that both statements are due May 1, 2024. She noted DuPage County penalizes for late returns.

10. <u>CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</u>

There was no report.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

- A. POLICE DEPARTMENT NO REPORT
- **B. MUNICIPAL SERVICES NO REPORT**

12. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 23-24-24

It was moved by Alderwoman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Stompanato to approve payment of Warrant Number 23-24-24 in the amount of \$1,453,978.55 from the enumerated funds, and \$294,726.87 from payroll funds for the period ending 04/04/24 for a total to be approved of \$1,748,705.42.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer,

Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

B. MONTHLY REPORT – MARCH 2024

Treasurer Coren reviewed year-to-date sources of revenue, expenditures, and fund balances through the month of March 2024.

General Fund: Revenue \$18,049,863 Expenditures \$13,991,130;

Current Balance \$7,434,252

Water Fund: Revenue \$6,784,574; Expenditures \$7,400,156

Current Balance \$2,978,678

Motor Fuel Tax Fund: Revenue \$960,978; Expenditures \$719,534; Current

Balance \$1,715,555

Water Depreciation Fund: Revenue \$20,436; Expenditures \$52,749; Current

Balance \$580,924

Capital Improvement Fund: Revenue \$1,193,349; Expenditures \$4,539,000;

Current Balance \$16,422,684

13. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee – Chairwoman Sullivan announced the Administrative/Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

Municipal Services Committee – Chairman Belczak announced the Municipal Services Committee meeting is scheduled for April 22, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

Police Committee – Chairman Kenny stated the minutes of the February 20, 2024 meeting were approved and submitted to the Clerk's Office. He announced the Police Committee meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

14. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – AGENDA RELATED**

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

April 15, 2024

A. ORDINANCE NO. O-08-24

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN

B. RESOLUTION NO. R-33-24

RESOLUTION **APPROVING** THE A MUTUAL **TERMINATION AGREEMENT** BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND **VIGILANT** SOLUTIONS, LLC **AND VIGILANT SOLUTIONS** LLC TO REIMBURSE THE **CITY** OF DARIEN \$82,279.79

C. RESOLUTION NO. R-34-24

RESOLUTION TO **APPROVE** THE **PURCHASE OF LICENSE PLATE** RECOGNITION (LPR) **CAMERAS** AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FROM FLOCK GROUP INC. USING DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AWARD MONEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,500

Roll Call: Ayes:

Belczak, Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer,

Stompanato, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

18. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – GENERAL**

Alderman Gustafson thanked AMVETS team, located by WalMart, for cleaning the wetland area. He commented on items found during cleanup and reminded residents to follow the rules and not use area as a dumping ground.

Mayor Marchese noted sixteen Darien residents from various organization will be participating in a focus group as part of City's Strategic Planning Session on April 16 from 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at	t 8:10 P.M.
	Mayor
City Clerk	_

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 04-15-24. Minutes of 04-15-24 CCM.