

## Minutes - July 19, 2004

A WORKSHOP SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR CARMEN D. SOLDATO FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING A BROOKERIDGE STREAM STABILIZATION PRESENTATION. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:35 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
of the City Council of the  
CITY OF DARIEN  
JULY 19, 2004

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:35 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: Richard Biehl John F. Poteraske, Jr. David Hagen Kathleen Moesle-Weaver Joseph Marchese

Absent: Morgan Cotten James Tikalsky

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

### 4. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM — There being five Aldermen present, Mayor Soldato declared a quorum.

### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee-of-the-Whole of June 7, 2004 and City Council Minutes of June 21, 2004

It was moved by Alderman Biehl and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve the Minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of June 7, 2004 and Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 21, 2004 as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Marchese, Poteraske

Nays: None

Absent: Cotten, Tikalsky

Abstain: Hagen, Weaver

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2 MOTION DULY CARRIED

## 6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Biehl read into the record a letter from Charlene Falkens, 6802 High Road, regarding the Dale Basin.

Alderman Poteraske indicated that he received a call from Burt Severson, of Claremont Drive, regarding the City's technique for filling cracks in the streets

Alderman Poteraske advised that he received a call from Kim Burke, 1620 Arbor Court (Farmingdale), who expressed an interest in gathering homeowners to recreate the Farmingdale signs. Alderman Poteraske provided her with names of other residents who had previously expressed the same interest. Alderman Poteraske requested that other citizens interested in joining their efforts to contact him at City Hall.

Alderman Poteraske reported that Stan Niemek called and sent an E-mail regarding his concern of the traffic at 73rd Street and Park Avenue.

Alderman Poteraske also reported that Bill Wroble of Downers Grove called to thank the City of Darien for the speeding screening of the auto-pound on Manning Road.

Alderman Poteraske noted that Rupi Singh, President of Norman Court Townhomes, contacted him to inquire about the street patching on Williams Street. Alderman Poteraske stated that this item might be discussed at tonight's meeting. Mr. Singh also noted his appreciation for the good job done on Norman Drive in regards to new reflectors that were provided in the middle of the island.

Alderman Weaver reported that she received an E-mail from a resident regarding the International Marketplace, a store that will be opening up at Brookhaven Plaza. She stated that Community Development Director Gregory Dreyer will be discussing this issue later this evening and may provide answers that this resident is seeking.

Alderman Marchese reported on a letter he received from Thomas Fisher, 8535 Thistlewood Court, regarding ingress and egress at the White & Co. development.

## 7. MAYOR'S REPORT

### A. CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING PRESENTED BY GFOA

Mayor Soldato introduced Rita Trainor, Finance Director of Downers Grove and serves on the Executive Board of the Illinois Government Finance Officers Association. Ms. Trainor presented the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Darien. There were congratulations and a round of applause from the audience.

Mayor Soldato thanked the Darien Lion's Club for a great 4th of July parade.

## 8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Coleman...

... noted that the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for July 20th had been cancelled.

... announced that the Police Pension Board scheduled a special meeting for Saturday, July 31st, at 10:00 A.M.

## 9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vana...

... advised that contrary to rumor, the City of Darien is not forcing the annexation of any residents in the unincorporated area of Farmingdale. The opportunity to annex to Darien is being conducted on a voluntary basis.

... reported that the Street Rehabilitation Program is completed.

...reported that the Sidewalk Repair Program will begin soon and requested residents to contact the City if they would like to their sidewalk to be considered for replacement.

...updated the Council on the progress of the Dale Basin project with DuPage County. City Administrator has asked for a letter providing the City with an update on their progress.

...informed the Council that the City will be participating in a joint project with the Village of Downers Grove for repairs to Williams Street. The street is jointly owned and the City's expense would be approximately \$27,000.

Mayor Soldato reiterated that the opportunity for Farmingdale area residents to annex with the City is voluntary. He indicated that the City has provided informational meetings for residents and welcomed residents to contact the City if they have any questions.

Alderman Biehl expressed his frustration with the DuPage County's lack of initiative to resolve the Dale Basin project.

## 10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Community Development Director Gregory Dreyer...

...updated Council on the annexation in the Farmingdale area. He indicated that eight (8) applications had been received, of which six (6) properties were contiguous. An additional property would be contiguous after the initial six are annexed. The remaining property is not contiguous, but could do a pre-annexation agreement with them. Additional applications are anticipated.

...reported that Brookhaven Marketplace, which is owned by the Eliopoulos family, will operate a 22,000 square foot, full-service grocery store. The store is anticipated to open in September.

...announced the public hearing for Walgreen's has been continued to August 4, 2004.

... reported construction has begun at Marketplace of Darien. There are three retail buildings, Oak Brook Bank, and town homes will be located behind the retail area.

...reported that Intrepid has begun construction on 75th and Fairview.

...announced that Ricobene's and Fruitful Yield will be going into the new Darien Town Center.

...advised that the City has been working on resolving a drainage issue with White & Co. They anticipate moving into their new building in August.

...reported that a retail mall containing a 10,000 square feet building may be divided up into 4 small stores east of Downer's Delight.

## 11. TREASURER'S REPORT

### A. WARRANT NUMBER 04-05-05

It was moved by Alderman Poteraske and seconded by Alderman Biehl to approve payment of Warrant Number 04-05-05 in the amount of \$167,530.59 from the General Fund; \$159,594.31 from the Water Fund; \$387,718.53 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$10,280.18 from the Special Service Area Tax Fund; \$1,826.40 from the Darien Area Dispatch Fund; \$211,886.70 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 06/24/04; \$24,995.42 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 06/24/04; \$25,025.13 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 06/24/04; \$197,488.26 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/08/04; \$20,255.03 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/08/04; \$20,668.09 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/08/04; for a total to be approved of \$1,227,268.64.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Marchese, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: Hagen

Absent: Cotten, Tikalsky

Results: Ayes 4, Nays 1, Absent 2 MOTION DULY CARRIED

### B. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT – JUNE 2004

City Treasurer Monaghan reviewed all sources of revenue and expenditures for the month of June 2004 with the following year-to-date fund balances: General Fund \$2,908,026; Water Fund \$395,586; Motor Fuel Tax Fund \$792,218; Darien Towne Centre Sales Tax Fund \$108,754.

## 12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee — Chairman Weaver submitted, for the record, Minutes from the May 10, 2004 and June 14, 2004 meeting. She noted that the next scheduled meeting for August 9, 2004 may be rescheduled for August 30, 2004.

Planning/Development Committee — Chairman Hagen stated that the next scheduled meeting for the Committee would take place on Monday, July 26th, at 6:30 P.M.

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — Chairman Biehl stated that the next scheduled meeting for the Committee was cancelled for Wednesday, July 28th, at 6:30 P.M. A special meeting has been announced for August 2nd, at 6:45 P.M.

## 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 Poteraske to approve by Omnibus Vote the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO GRANT A WAIVER OF THE RAFFLE LICENSE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION OF ILLINOIS

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) NEW COMPUTER SYSTEMS TO REPLACE OUTDATED SYSTEMS CURRENTLY IN USE

C. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND DIANE SUMMERS

D. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A PROPOSAL FOR TROLLEY SERVICES FROM THE TROLLEY CAR COMPANY FOR \$1,800.00

E. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A PAYMENT TO THE DUPAGE SENIOR CITIZEN COUNCIL FOR THE HOME MAINTENANCE AND DELIVERED MEAL PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,000.00

F. ORDINANCE NO. O-22-04 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE TO THE DARIEN ZONING ORDINANCE (PZC 2004-05: TAKE AIM, LLC)

G. RESOLUTION NO. R-18-04 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS SUBJECT TO MAINTENANCE (DARIEN JUNCTION SUBDIVISION – 103rd ST. & LEMONT RD.)

H. RESOLUTION NO. R-19-04 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS SUBJECT TO MAINTENANCE (DARIEN CORPORATE CENTER PUD/ SAFEGUARD SELF-STORAGE)

I. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A SETTLEMENT FROM FRONTIER INSURANCE COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,696.50

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: Cotten, Tikalsky

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2 MOTION DULY CARRIED

#### 16. NEW BUSINESS

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

#### 17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

Alderman Biehl, on behalf of the Darien Lion's Club, thanked the City for their participation in the annual July 4th parade.

Alderman Marchese thanked the Chief of Police and the Police Department for the department's assistance in apprehending a car thief.

Mayor Soldato commented on the auto pound area and the number of autos acquired is larger than what was anticipated. He commented that the Chief of Police and the City Administrator are looking at other alternatives to house these vehicles.

Thomas Fisher, 8535 Thistlewood Court, commented on the driveway of the White & Co. building. He requested that the driveway out of the new building out of Frontage Road be reviewed in regards to site plan. The driveway is located at a sharpest point in the curve along the road at which most vehicles travel faster than the posted speed limit.

#### 18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk

JFC/rf All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 07-19-04.