

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE MARCH 5, 2012 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:05 P.M.

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**

**of the City Council of the**

**CITY OF DARIEN**

**MARCH 5, 2012**

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 Weaver.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Girl Scouts from Troops 51104, 51673 and 50269 led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Weaver presented each scout with a City of Darien pin.

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

Present:	Halil Avci	John F. Poteraske
	Tina M. Beilke	Ted V. Schauer
	Joseph A. Marchese	Joerg Seifert
	Sylvia McIvor	

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor  
JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk  
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer  
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator  
Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services  
Ernest Brown, Police Chief

4. **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM** — There being seven aldermen present, Mayor Weaver declared a quorum.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – February 21, 2012

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Avci to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of February 21, 2012, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer

Nays: None

Abstain: Seifert

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

6. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

There were none.

7. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ROBERT AND CHARLEEN VUILLAUME AS THE 2012 CITIZENS OF THE YEAR IN THE CITY OF DARIEN**

Mayor Weaver read the resolution into the record.

It was moved by Alderman Marchese and seconded by Alderman McIvor to approve:

**RESOLUTION NO. R-19-12**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ROBERT AND CHARLEEN VUILLAUME AS THE 2012 CITIZENS OF THE YEAR IN THE CITY OF DARIEN**

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert, Weaver, Ragona, Coren, Murphey, Vana

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 12, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

Mayor Weaver presented Robert and Charleen Vuillaume with the Citizen of the Year Resolution and Plaque.

There was resounding applause from the City Council Members and the audience.

Robert Vuillaume thanked all those who have provided program support and assistance, and noted the programs could not have succeeded without their help.

Alderman Beilke announced that tickets are still available for the Citizen of the Year Dinner Dance at Alpine Banquets on March 24, 2012; ticket price is \$30 per person.

Mayor Weaver thanked the Citizen of the Year Committee for their hard work, and invited everyone to stay for the Citizen of the Year Cake and Coffee Reception immediately following the Council Meeting.

**B. VFW DARIEN MEMORIAL POST 2838 HONORING THE 2012 CITIZENS OF THE YEAR**

Matt Goodwin, a member of the VFW, presented Robert and Charleen Vuillaume with Certificates of Associate Life Membership to the VFW National Home for Children.

**C. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION “GIRL SCOUTS WEEK” (MARCH 11-17, 2012)**

Mayor Weaver read into the record a Proclamation declaring March 11-17, 2012 as “Girl Scouts Week” in the City of Darien and applauded the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for their 100 years of leadership and expertise as the voice for and of girls.

Elaine Kruse accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Girl Scouts.

Mayor Weaver advised she attended the ribbon cutting event at Kumon Learning Center and spoke highly of the programs offered.

8. **CITY CLERK’S REPORT**

Clerk Ragona invited all to attend Coffee with the Mayor at Speedway located at 7502 Cass Avenue on Saturday, March 17, 2012 from 9:00 to 10:00 A.M.

9. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

There was no report.

10. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

Chief Brown spoke of the frivolous Federal Lawsuit brought against two Darien Police Officers. He noted that the case has been turned over to the City’s insurance carrier who believes there is no substance to the lawsuit.

11. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A. **WARRANT NUMBER 11-12-19**

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Seifert to approve payment of Warrant Number 11-12-19 in the amount of \$116,215.27 from the General Fund; \$195,181.90 from the Water Fund; \$18,259.10 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$205,491.33 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 02/23/12; \$19,126.55 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 02/23/12; for a total to be approved of \$554,274.15.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Marchese, McIvor, Pteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

12. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Municipal Services Committee** — Chairman Marchese advised the minutes of the Municipal Services Committee of January 18, 2012 have been submitted to the Clerk’s Office. He advised the next meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2012 at 6:30 P.M.

**Police Committee** — Chairman McIvor submitted the minutes of the Police Committee Meeting of February 2, 2012. She advised the next meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2012 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

**Administrative/Finance Committee** — Chairman Poteraske advised the Administrative/Finance Committee-of-the-Whole Budget Meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, and the next regular meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the upstairs conference room.

13. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS — AGENDA RELATED**

There were none.

14. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

15. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Weaver reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda for the benefit of the viewing audience.

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

**A. A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE RAFFLE LICENSE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR DARIEN DISTRICT 61 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

**B. ORDINANCE NO. O-09-12 AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A ONE (1) YEAR EXTENSION TO THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED MINOR AMENDMENT TO AN APPROVED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (DARIEN TOWNE CENTRE PUD, 2189 75<sup>TH</sup> STREET, ILLINOIS, AMVETS COLLECTION CENTER AT WAL-MART)**

- C. **ORDINANCE NO. O-10-12**      **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIATION TO THE DARIEN ZONING ORDINANCE (PZC 2012-02: 8409 CREEKSIDE LANE)**
  
- D. **RESOLUTION NO. R-20-12**      **A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND PUBLISHING THE UPDATED CITY OF DARIEN OFFICIAL ZONING MAP**
  
- E. **RESOLUTION NO. R-21-12**      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE UNIT PRICE PROPOSAL FOR ANALYTICAL SOIL TESTING FROM TESTING SERVICES CORPORATION AT THE PROPOSED UNIT PRICES FOR CERTAIN WASTE FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2012 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2013**
  
- F. **RESOLUTION NO. R-22-12**      **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL FROM ASSOCIATED TECHNICAL SERVICES (ATS), FOR THE 2011-12 WATER LEAK SURVEY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,544.24**
  
- G. **RESOLUTION NO. R-23-12**      **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DARIEN TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE OR EMERGENCY WORK AS IT RELATES TO CITY MAINTAINED INFRASTRUCTURE ON STATE MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAYS BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

16. **NEW BUSINESS**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE ABATING PROPERTY TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED BY ORDINANCE O-26-06**

It was moved by Alderman McIvor and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve:

**ORDINANCE NO. O-11-12 AN ORDINANCE ABATING PROPERTY TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED BY ORDINANCE O-26-06**

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

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

Alderman Marchese announced the Darien Lions Club will be hosting their 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast at Eisenhower Junior High School on March 18, 2012 from 7:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Mayor Weaver announced Boy Scout Troop 101 will be hosting their 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast on March 11, 2012 at Eisenhower Junior High School from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Alderman McIvor reminded everyone that the Darien VFW is collecting donations for the victims of the Harrisburg tornado. Matt Goodwin added that donations may be taken to the Indian Prairie Library and the Police Department; Lace School will be conducting their collection drive next week.

Alderman Seifert announced that a fundraiser benefiting the children of Sergeant James Borsilli will be held on April 20, 2012. He added that any questions regarding the event may be directed to him, Clare Bongiovanni, any police officer, or the website at <http://www.BorsilliCancerFund.com>.

Jerry Falasz, 1641 73<sup>rd</sup> Street spoke of the electric aggregation referendum question which is on the March 20, 2012 ballot. He urged residents to be proactive in gaining an understanding of electric aggregation and the process. He commended Assistant Administrator Coren for his knowledge and explanation of this issue.

Administrator Vana noted that residents will not notice any change in their electric service and, if the referendum is approved, could save \$175.00 to \$200.00 annually.

Karen English, President of the Reflections Homeowners Association, thanked Director Gombac for his assistance in gaining the City's acceptance of dedicated roadways in the subdivision.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

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All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 03-05-12.  
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