

City of Darien
Minutes of the Administrative/Finance Committee
May 4, 2015

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman/Alderman Ted Schauer at 6:00 pm. Committee member Aldermen Kenny was present. Treasurer Mike Coren and staff members present included City Administrator Bryon Vana, and Assistant City Administrator Paul Nosek.

Resolution – Approving participation with the Village of Woodridge and Village of Downers Grove to provide a fireworks display at Ziegfield Troy Golf Course on the Fourth of July by contributing an amount not to exceed \$5,110.00

Staff advised the FYE 16 budget includes \$8,000 to participate with the Village of Woodridge and Village of Downers Grove to provide a fireworks display at Ziegfield Troy Golf Course on the Fourth of July. During the budget review process the Council requested the funding formula be based on our population and not an even 3 way cost split between the communities. Based on that formula Darien’s contribution would be \$5,110 of the \$24,000 total. The Committee unanimously approved recommending approval of the resolution.

Ordinance – Disbanding the Communications Commission, Electrical Commission and the Board of Local Improvements

Staff advised the City of Darien has set up various volunteer committees and boards that conduct duties as outlined in the City Code. These volunteers take their responsibility seriously and provide excellent assistance to the City. However, for several years the Communications and Environmental Committees have only met periodically and staff does not see any items coming forward to those committees. The consensus of the Council was to expand the work of the Environmental Committee and disband the Communications Committee, Electrical Commission and the Board of Local Improvements due to lack of agenda items. The Committee unanimously approved recommending approval of the ordinance.

Discussion – Coyote Feeding

Alderman Schauer requested the City discuss an ordinance prohibiting the feeding of coyotes. Staff reviewed a sample ordinance to facilitate the discussion and advised this will be the first discussion on this issue so staff is seeking direction on how to proceed. The Committee discussed the difficulty in enforcing the draft ordinance and also discussed the information they have received in the past regarding coyotes living in the Chicago metro area. The consensus was to not proceed with a new ordinance and continue with the resident information program about coyotes.

Minutes – February 2, 2015

The April 6, 2015, minutes were approved.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 6:34

Approved:

Ted Schauer, Chairman _____

Joseph Kenny, Member _____