

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR MARCHESE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE FEBRUARY 3, 2025 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**

**FEBRUARY 3, 2025**

**7:30 P.M.**

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 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
	Gerry Leganski	

Absent:	Joseph A. Kenny
	Mary Coyle Sullivan

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. **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM** – There being five aldermen present, Mayor Marchese declared a quorum.

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

Mike Heatherly commented on his email regarding enhancements for Law Enforcement Agencies to include the National Incident Based Reporting System. The objective is to calculate crime trends for 2025 Legislative Sessions.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – January 20, 2025

It was moved by Alderman Belczak and seconded by Alderman Leganski to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of January 20, 2025.

Roll Call:       Ayes:       Belczak, Gustafson, Leganski, Stompanato

Abstain:       Schauer

Nays:       None

Absent:       Kenny, Sullivan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

There were none.

8. **MAYORS REPORT**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF LOUIS N. MALLERS AS CHAIRMAN TO THE PLANNING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Stompanato to approve the appointment of Louis N. Mallers as Chairman to the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Commission.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Kenny, Sullivan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

9. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

Clerk Ragona announced City offices will be closed on Monday, February 17, 2025 in observance of Presidents' Day. The next City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

10. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

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 24-25-19**

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Gustafson to approve payment of Warrant Number 24-25-19 in the amount of \$198,584.67 from the enumerated funds, and \$338,199.90 from payroll funds for the period ending 01/23/25 for a total to be approved of \$536,784.57.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Kenny, Sullivan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administrative/Finance Committee** – Clerk Ragona announced the Administrative Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. It was noted that the Committee-of-the-Whole 2025-2026 Budget Workshop Meetings are scheduled for February 19 and February 26 at 6:00 P.M.

**Municipal Services Committee** – Chairman Belczak announced the Municipal Services Committee meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

**Police Committee** – No report.

**Police Pension Board** – Liaison Coren announced the Police Pension Board quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 6, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

Mayor Marchese stated the Darien Action Committee met on Saturday, February 1. He was pleased with the turnout.

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 Stompanato 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 ROTARY OF DARIEN, IL**

**B. ORDINANCE NO. O-03-25**                      **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF TITLE 9, CHAPTER 2 “POLICE DEPARTMENT” OF THE CITY OF DARIEN CITY CODE**

**C. ORDINANCE NO. O-04-25**                      **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIATION FROM THE DARIEN ZONING ORDINANCE (PZC2024-12: 814 TIMBER LANE)**

**D. ORDINANCE NO. O-05-25**                      **AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY FROM OR&I TO B-3, APPROVING A SPECIAL USE AND VARIATIONS FROM THE DARIEN ZONING**

**ORDINANCE AND SIGN CODE (PZC2024-13: 1033 N. FRONTAGE ROAD, COVENTRY GARDENERS LLC)**

**E. ORDINANCE NO. O-06-25**

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

**F. RESOLUTION NO. R-01-25**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH LAKESHORE RECYCLING SYSTEMS, LLC, FOR THE CITY OF DARIEN'S 2025 STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM NOT TO EXCEED \$56,575.00**

**G. RESOLUTION NO. R-02-25**

**A RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE (FY 2025/26 GENERAL MAINTENANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,375.90)**

**H. RESOLUTION NO. R-03-25**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE 2025 SIDEWALK, APRON, CURB AND GUTTER REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT PROGRAM CONTRACT WITH SUBURBAN CONCRETE, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,194,500.00 AND TO WAIVE THE RESIDENTIAL \$75.00 PERMIT FEE APPLICATION FOR CONCRETE WORK**

**I. RESOLUTION NO. R-04-25**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE UNIT PRICE PROPOSAL FOR ANALYTICAL SOIL TESTING FEES FROM TESTING SERVICE CORPORATION AT THE PROPOSED UNIT PRICES FOR CERTAIN WASTE FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

**J. RESOLUTION NO. R-05-25**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL FROM CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE ENGINEERING, LTD. (CBBEL) FOR THE PROFESSIONAL DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE DESIGN, PREPARATION OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING FOR INSTALLATION OF STANDBY GENERATORS AT THREE LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF DARIEN. THE THREE LOCATIONS ARE CITY HALL, PLAINFIELD ROAD POTABLE WATER PUMP STATION AND POLICE STATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$71,300.00**

**K. RESOLUTION NO. R-06-25**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXTEND A CONTRACT FOR THE 2025 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES WITHIN THE 75TH STREET RIGHT OF WAYS, CLOCK TOWER AND 9**

**ENTRANCE WAY PLANTING BEDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$40,992.00 BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND JC LANDSCAPING & TREE SERVICES**

**L. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION AUTHORIZING A CONTINGENCY WITH JC LANDSCAPING & TREE SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,000 FOR REPLACEMENT OF PLANT MATERIALS AND PLANT ENHANCEMENTS FOR THE 2025 LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES, PENDING BUDGET APPROVAL**

**M. RESOLUTION NO. R-07-25**      **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXTEND A CONTRACT WITH TRUGREEN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR SIX (6) VARIOUS FERTILIZER APPLICATIONS AND (3) THREE APPLICATIONS FOR PLANTING BEDS AND WEED CONTROL, WITHIN RIP RAP AREAS AND TREE FERTILIZATION FOR 75TH STREET, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$76,756.00 FOR THE 2025 LANDSCAPE FERTILIZATION SERVICES**

**N. RESOLUTION NO. R-08-25**      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM CORE & MAIN FOR CERTAIN GENERAL WATER DEPARTMENT UTILITY TOOLS AND MARKING SUPPLIES MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

**O. RESOLUTION NO. R-09-25**      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM UNDERGROUND PIPE & VALVE COMPANY FOR CERTAIN GENERAL WATER DEPARTMENT UTILITY TOOLS AND MARKING SUPPLIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

**P. RESOLUTION NO. R-10-25**      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM WATER PRODUCTS COMPANY FOR CERTAIN GENERAL WATER DEPARTMENT UTILITY TOOLS AND MARKING SUPPLIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

**Q. RESOLUTION NO. R-11-25**      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM CORE & MAIN FOR CERTAIN GENERAL WATER DEPARTMENT UTILITY FIXTURES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

**R. RESOLUTION NO. R-12-25**      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM FERGUSON WATERWORKS FOR CERTAIN GENERAL WATER DEPARTMENT UTILITY FIXTURES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

**S. RESOLUTION NO. R-13-25**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO  
EXTEND A CONTRACT WITH RAG'S ELECTRIC,  
INC., PER THE PROPOSED UNIT PRICES, FOR THE  
2025 STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE BEGINNING  
MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026**

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

Nays: None

Absent: Kenny, Sullivan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

**17. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT TO  
SUPPLY AMUSEMENTS WITH WINDY CITY AMUSEMENTS, INC FOR  
AMUSEMENT SERVICES AT DARIEN FEST 2025**

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

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

Nays: None

Absent: Kenny, Sullivan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

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

Treasurer Coren inquired about marquee sign advertising rental. Director Gombac provided update.

Alderman Leganski inquired about TGI Friday's property. Director Gombac did not have any information; he stated Wendy's (Route 83 & Plainfield) is under contract.

Mayor Marchese attended DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference and provided meeting highlights.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 02-03-25.  
Minutes of 02-03-25 CCM.