

## Minutes

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE NOVEMBER 17, 2008 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
of the City Council of the  
CITY OF DARIEN  
NOVEMBER 17, 2008

### 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

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

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

Present: Halil Avci Joseph A. Marchese William R. Durkin Sylvia Mclvor John Galan John F. Poteraske, Jr. Carolyn A. Gattuso

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor Joanne F. Coleman, City Clerk Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Municipal Services

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

### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 3, 2008

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2008 meeting, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Durkin, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese, Mclvor, Poteraske

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

### 6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Marchese received a telephone call from Tom Jones of 8413 Creekside regarding a tree which is growing on the other side of the creek behind his home. The tree is extending onto his property, and Mr. Jones is afraid the tree will fall and damage his deck.

Director Gombac will visit the sight and offer suggestions.

Alderman Avci stated that he had a conversation with Robert Smid of 1005 71st Street, regarding his objections to the amendment to the parking regulations. Alderman Avci advised that Mr. Smid is in the audience and will, most likely, address this issue later this evening.

#### 7. MAYOR'S REPORT

Item A under the Mayor's Report was moved to New Business.

#### 8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Coleman announced that City Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 27, and Friday November 28, 2008 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

#### 9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

There was no report this evening.

#### 10. DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS

Police Chief Pavelchik provided information on the plane crash, and traffic accident at 75th and Cass, which both occurred this past Saturday around 11 P.M.

Administrator Vana reminded all that the free Fall Leaf Disposal Program ends on November 29th.

Director Gombac announced that the street sweeper will be making a final sweep through town around the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Director Gombac urged residents to take advantage of the free Fall Leaf Disposal Program, and requested leaves not be raked into the streets and ditches.

#### 11. TREASURER'S REPORT

##### A. WARRANT NUMBER 08-09-13

It was moved by Alderman Gattuso and seconded by Alderman McIvor to approve payment of Warrant Number 08-09-13 in the amount of \$398,941.13 from the General Fund; \$140,853.80 from the Water Fund; \$6,458.13 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$336.00 from the Special Service Area Tax Fund; \$164,725.00 from the Water Depreciation Fund; \$185.00 from the Darien Area Dispatch Center; \$5,948.75 from the Capital Improvement Fund; \$52,000.00 from the Debt Service Fund; 118,925.26 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 11/06/08; \$16,024.94 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 11/06/08; \$22,186.02 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 11/06/08; for a total to be approved of \$926,584.03.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Durkin, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor Poteraske

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

##### B. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER, 2008

Treasurer Coren reviewed all year-to-date sources of revenue and expenditures and fund balances through the month of October, 2008: General Fund Revenue \$6,789,948; General Fund Expenditures \$6,662,254; Current General Fund Balance \$3,590,976; Water Fund Revenue \$1,874,829; Water Fund Expenditures \$1,369,436; Current Water Fund Balance \$1,104,129; Motor Fuel Tax Fund Revenue \$321,038; Motor Fuel Tax Fund Expenditures \$368,068; Current Motor Fuel Tax Fund Balance \$26,024; Water Depreciation Fund Revenue \$28,597; Water Depreciation Fund Expenditures \$548,748; Current Water Depreciation Fund Balance \$710,751; Capital Improvement Fund Revenue \$2,714,976; Capital Improvement Fund Expenditures \$1,149,958; Current Capital Improvement Fund Balance \$2,664,091; Capital Projects Debt Service Fund Revenue \$21,065; Capital Projects Debt Service Fund Expenditures \$904,677; and a current fund balance of \$567,630.

## 12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — Alderman Marchese submitted the minutes of the Public Works Water/Streets Committee Meeting of October 28, 2008 for the record.

Planning/Development Committee — Alderman Mclvor announced that the next Planning and Development Committee Meeting has been rescheduled to take place on Tuesday, November 25, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

## 13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS — AGENDA RELATED

There were none.

## 14. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the City Council.

## 15. CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. ORDINANCE NO. O-41-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3 (LIQUOR CONTROL REGULATIONS), TITLE 3 (BUSINESS REGULATIONS), OF THE DARIEN CITY CODE

B. RESOLUTION NO. R-95-08 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE DARIEN INITIATIVE FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Durkin, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese, Mclvor, Poteraske

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

## 16. NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Alderman Gattuso and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve the following motion:

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO ADVISE AND CONSENT THE APPOINTMENT OF MONA STONE AND THERESA J. WEST TO THE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Durkin, Galan, Gattuso, Marchese, McIvor, Poteraske

Nays: None

Absent: None

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

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

Alderman Gattuso announced that nominations for 2009 Citizen of the Year are being accepted until January 7, 2009. Nominating applications may be obtained on the City's website, at City Hall, and at the Indian Prairie Library.

Robert Smid of 1005 71st Street addressed the City Council expressing his objection to the new recreational vehicle parking regulations.

Administrator Vana explained that the ordinance allows parking within specific parameters. Administrator Vana offered to sit down with Mr. Smid to discuss the ordinance and its affect.

Alderman McIvor explained that this subject was reviewed and discussed at the public hearing and the three Planning & Development Committee meetings prior to final review and adoption by the City Council. The agendas for each hearing and meeting were posted, and all meetings were open to the public.

Frank Nemecek of 8430 Dawn Lane in Violets Farm Subdivision expressed concern that construction projects in his development may not be completed due to bankruptcy of the developer. He also expressed concern about the retention pond.

Director Gombac said that all public improvement projects in the subdivision have been completed and further advised the city has not received notification of a bankruptcy filing. Director Gombac will visit the site and, if necessary, get in touch with the developer.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Mayor

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

Id All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 11-17-08.