

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:05 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE FEBRUARY 17, 2015 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:08 P.M.

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**

**of the City Council of the**

**CITY OF DARIEN**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2015**

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 Scout Troop 163 led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Present:	Tina Beilke	Sylvia McIvor
	Thomas J. Belczak	Ted V. Schauer
	Joseph A. Kenny	Joerg Seifert
	Joseph A. Marchese	

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor  
Lynn Dubman, Deputy Clerk  
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer  
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator  
Paul Nosek, Assistant City Administrator  
Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Service  
Ernest Brown, Police Chief  
Gregory Cheaure, Police Sergeant

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

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

There were none.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - February 2, 2015 City Council Meeting

It was moved by Alderman Seifert and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of February 2, 2015 as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, McIvor,  
Schauer, Seifert

Abstain: Beilke

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Kenny...

...received communications from Chris Clarson of the 1600 block of Holly and Fred Wilson of the 7200 block of Whittier reporting coyote sightings in Farmingdale.

...received communication from Bonnie Kucera of Norman Courts regarding an IRS scam.

Mayor Weaver noted that there is information on the City's website on various scams.

8. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION  
RECOGNIZING RON KIEFER AS THE 2015 CITIZEN 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 Kenny to approve the resolution as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-19-15**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING RON KIEFER AS THE 2015 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR IN THE CITY OF DARIEN**

Roll Call:       Ayes:       Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, McIvor, Schauer, Seifert, Weaver, Ragona, Coren, Murphey, Vana

                      Nays:       None

                      Absent:     None

Results: Ayes 12, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

Ron Kiefer thanked those who nominated him, the Citizen of the Year Committee, and the City Council. He said that he feels fortunate and overwhelmed by the honor. He added that he has wonderful family, friends and neighbors who have always been very supportive.

Mayor Weaver presented Ron Kiefer with the Citizen of the Year Resolution and plaque. There was resounding applause and a standing ovation from the City Council and the audience.

Alderman Beilke invited all to stay for the Citizen of the Year Coffee and Cake Reception following the City Council Meeting. She announced that the Citizen of the Year Dinner/Dance will be held at Alpine Banquets on March 7, 2015 at a cost of \$30 per ticket. She added that the cutoff date for reservations is February 26, 2015.

**B. DARIEN CHAMBER UPDATE**

Clare Bongiovanni provided the following update:

- On behalf of the Darien Chamber of Commerce, she congratulated 2015 Citizen of the Year Ron Kiefer.
- Congratulated and announced the 2014 Darien Chamber Business Excellence Award Recipients:
  - Business Excellence & Business of the Year – Rose Landscape Design, Inc.
  - Business Excellence – Family K9 Dog Training, Automated Forms & Graphics, Inc., and the Darien Rotary Club
  - Member of the Year – Chuck’s Southern Comforts Café
  - Ambassador of the Year – Edward Jones –James Burke



Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

**B. TREASURER’S REPORT – JANUARY 2015**

Treasurer Coren reviewed year-to-date sources of revenue, expenditures, and fund balances through the month of January 2014:

<u>General Fund:</u>	Revenue \$10,928,668; Expenditures \$8,480,213; Current Balance \$3,353,208
<u>Water Fund:</u>	Revenue \$4,641,442; Expenditures \$4,372,915; Current Balance \$1,287,859
<u>Motor Fuel Tax Fund:</u>	Revenue \$625,631; Expenditures \$432,129; Current Balance \$345,956
<u>Water Depreciation Fund:</u>	Revenue \$2,121; Expenditures \$192,386; Current Balance \$116,170
<u>Capital Improvement Fund:</u>	Revenue \$4,473,403; Expenditures \$3,714,357; Current Balance \$6,178,642
<u>Capital Projects Debt Service Fund:</u>	Revenue \$502,409; Expenditures \$497,750; Current Balance of \$18,072

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Municipal Services Committee** — Chairman Marchese announced the next meeting of the Municipal Services Committee is scheduled for February 23, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

**Administrative/Finance Committee** – Chairman Schauer announced the first Administrative/Finance Committee of the Whole Budget Meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2015 at 6:30 in the Council Chambers. He advised the next regular meeting of the Administrative/Finance Committee is scheduled for March 2, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. in the upstairs conference room.

**Police Committee** – Chairman McIvor submitted the minutes of the January 19, 2015 Police Committee Meeting, and announced the next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

14. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – AGENDA RELATED**

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

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

**A. A MOTION TO APPROVE A PROPOSAL FROM SPEER FINANCIAL, DATED JANUARY 12, 2015, TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES FOR THE ADVANCE REFUNDING OF THE G.O. BOND, SERIES 2008**

**B. A MOTION APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR AUDITING SERVICES FROM SIKICH**

Roll Call: Ayes: Beilke, Belczak, Kenny, Marchese, McIvor, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

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

There were none.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 02-17-15. Minutes of 02-17-15 CCM.