

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR WEAVER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2010 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:27 P.M.

THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF 2100 MANNING ROAD, DARIEN, ILLINOIS 60561 WAS CONSIDERED AND DISCUSSED DURING THE WORK SESSION.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

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	Sylvia McIvor
	John Galan	John F. Poteraske, Jr.
	Carolyn A. Gattuso	Ted V. Schauer

Absent: Joseph A. Marchese

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor
Joanne Coleman, City Clerk
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
Judith N. Kolman, City Attorney
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator
Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Municipal Services
Robert Pavelchik, Police Chief

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

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – August 2, 2010

It was moved by Alderman Galan and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2010 meeting, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Galan, Gattuso, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer
 Nays: None
 Absent: Marchese

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

6. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Galan received a call from Les Schuenemann expressing property maintenance concerns with the residence at 138 Iris.

Administrator Vana advised that Mr. Scuenemann’s complaint will be addressed in the morning.

Alderman Avci...

...received two e-mails from David Kesler of 7321 Richmond Avenue. Mr. Kesler’s first e-mail was regarding an obstructed view caused by bushes and tree branches at a busy intersection. This issue has been resolved by staff. Alderman Avci encouraged residents to report safety concerns.

Alderman Avci submitted Mr. Kesler’s second e-mail, for the record, requesting trick or treating hours be established.

Mayor Weaver noted that this issue has been discussed previously, and the City Council Members have chosen not to establish hours, primarily due to the difficulty in enforcement.

Chief Pavelchik agreed.

In response to Mayor Weaver, Alderman Galan advised that the Lions Club will be hosting their annual Halloween Party on October 31, 2010 from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

Mayor Weaver advised that the Lions Club Halloween Party has been very successful at keeping many children occupied.

Alderman Avci received a telephone call from Wendy Wozniak of 614 Plainfield complaining about the noise from deliveries made to Culvers very early in the morning. Alderman Avci noted that a complaint was received from another resident previously on this same issue. Staff is in the process of contacting management of Culvers to discuss this problem.

Mayor Weaver advised that the city has run into this problem in other areas of town, especially during the summer. Staff will follow up with Culvers.

Alderman McIvor...

...received many compliments from residents regarding the regularly scheduled and post-storm brush pick-up.

...in response to many inquiries received, Alderman McIvor announced that there will be no Amnesty Day this year due to budgetary concerns.

...reported the view is obstructed by a large construction sign at the intersection of Havens and 87th Street.

Director Gombac will look into the problem first thing in the morning.

Alderman Gattuso advised that Kerry Foderaro, Superintendent of District 63, expressed gratitude to the Darien Police Department, and especially Officer Nick Skweres, for the assistance with traffic flow on the first day of school at Concord Elementary.

7. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. Mayor Weaver read into the record a Proclamation declaring September 13 through September 17, 2010 as "*Chamber of Commerce Week*" in the City of Darien and called its significance to the citizens.

Clare Bongiovanni accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce.

B. **Chamber of Commerce Update**

Clare Bongiovanni provided an update on the scheduled events for Darien Fest, the dates, times, and locations of their membership drive, and invited all to attend Coffee with the Mayor on Saturday, September 18, 2010 at Carmelite Carefree

Village, the Annual State of the City event which will be held on Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at Ashton Place at 11:30 A.M., and the Darien Women in Business event at the Holiday Inn in Willowbrook on September 29, 2010.

In response to Alderman McIvor, Alderman Schauer advised that wrist bands will be offered for unlimited rides at DarienFest on Saturday and Sunday from noon until 5:00 P.M.

In response to an audience member, Ms. Bongiovanni advised there will be an I.D. booth for alcohol sales at DarienFest.

Mayor Weaver extended gratitude to Carriage Greens for hosting the last After Hours event.

8. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

City Clerk Coleman...

...invited all to attend Coffee with Mayor Weaver on Saturday, September 18, 2010 at Carmelite Carefree Village from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

...announced there will be a Consolidated Election on April 5, 2011 for the offices of Mayor, City Clerk, Treasurer, and Aldermen for Wards 2, 4, and 6. Candidate packets are available during normal business hours at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall. The first date to circulate petitions is September 21, 2010. The filing period is from 8:30 A.M. on December 13, 2010 through 5:00 P.M. on December 20, 2010.

9. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

There was no report.

10. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

In response to Mayor Weaver, Director Gombac provided information on the location and access to the salt barn.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding access to and from the barn.

11. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 10-11-07

It was moved by Alderman Gattuso and seconded by Alderman Galan to approve payment of Warrant Number 10-11-07 in the amount of \$180,870.67 from the General Fund; \$263,293.62 from the Water Fund; \$8,392.97 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$2,637.07 from the Darien Area Dispatch Fund; \$165,907.09 from the Capital Improvement Fund; \$448,558.93 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/12/10 & 08/26/10; \$42,770.96 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/12/10 & 08/26/10; \$54,477.77 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 08/12/10 & 08/26/10; for a total to be approved of \$1,166,909.08.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Galan, Gattuso, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer
 Nays: None
 Absent: Marchese

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2010

Treasurer Coren reviewed all year-to-date sources of revenue and expenditures and fund balances through the month of July, 2010: General Fund Revenue \$3,650,421; General Fund Expenditures \$4,468,456; Current General Fund Balance \$2,138,732; Water Fund Revenue \$1,248,425; Water Fund Expenditures \$715,085; Current Water Fund Balance \$745,322; Motor Fuel Tax Fund Revenue \$147,627; Motor Fuel Tax Fund Expenditures \$88,810; Current Motor Fuel Tax Fund Balance \$10,095; Water Depreciation Fund Revenue \$1,219; Water Depreciation Fund Expenditures \$550,000; Current Water Depreciation Fund Balance \$188,834; Capital Improvement Fund Revenue \$1,687,419; Capital Improvement Fund Expenditures \$1,751,013; Current Capital Improvement Fund Balance \$598,398; Capital Projects Debt Service Fund Revenue \$55,444; Capital Projects Debt Service Fund Expenditures \$95,285; and a current fund balance of \$4,102.

12. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Police Committee — Alderman McIvor submitted, for the record, the minutes of the Police Committee Meetings of July 15, 2010 and August 5, 2010, and advised that the next Police Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday, October 7, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers. Alderman McIvor advised that discussions on the consideration of turning the intersection at Fairview and Manning into a three way stop and striping a cross walk for safety purposes will continue at the October 7 meeting, and that all interested parties are invited to attend. In response to Mayor Weaver, Alderman McIvor recapped the various methods of publicizing the meeting and subject matter to the community.

Administrative/Finance Committee — Alderman Poteraske submitted the minutes of the Special Administrative Finance Committee Meeting of June 17, 2010 and the Administrative Finance Committee Meeting of August 9, 2010, and announced that the Administrative and Finance Committee Meeting of September 13, 2010 has been rescheduled to take place on Monday, September 20, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

Municipal Services Committee — Alderman Galan advised that the minutes of the Municipal Services Committee Meeting of August 30, 2010 were submitted, for the record, to Maria Gonzalez in the Clerk’s Office, and advised that the next Municipal Services Committee Meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, September 27, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

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

Alderman Galan reviewed the many discussions and steps which were taken leading up to the recommendation to purchase the salt shed at a negotiated reduction in price, with many tasks being performed in house.

A lengthy discussion ensued.

14. **OLD BUSINESS**

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

15. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

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

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE HINSDALE SOUTH ATHLETIC CLUB ANNUAL HORNET RUN, 5K RUN/1 MILE WALK ON SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2011, BEGINNING AT 8:30 A.M.

B. ORDINANCE NO. O-21-10 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 3 OF THE DARIEN CITY CODE DEALING WITH PARKING RESTRICTIONS

- C. ORDINANCE NO. O-22-10** **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIATION TO THE DARIEN ZONING ORDINANCE (PZC 2010-11: 8105 CASS AVENUE, Q BILLIARDS)**

- D. ORDINANCE NO. O-23-10** **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIATION TO THE DARIEN ZONING ORDINANCE (PZC 2010-11: 1041 S. FRONTAGE ROAD, DARIEN MUNICIPAL SERVICES)**

- E. RESOLUTION NO. R-56-10** **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW PORTABLE AIR COMPRESSOR FROM MCALLISTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,995.00**

- F. RESOLUTION NO. R-57-10** **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING LOW BIDS AT THE LOWER NEGOTIATING PRICE FOR THE SALT STORAGE FACILITY, REJECTING THE DOOR BID FROM ANAGNOS DOOR INC., AND AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SALT STORAGE FACILITY PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$220,000**

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Galan, Gattuso, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer
 Nays: None
 Absent: Marchese

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

16. **NEW BUSINESS**

It was moved by Alderman Poteraske and seconded by Alderman Gattuso to approve the following ordinance as presented.

A. ORDINANCE NO. O-24-10 CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN SURROUNDED TERRITORY PURSUANT TO SECTION 7-1-13 OF THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL CODE

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Galan, Gattuso, McIvor, Poteraske, Schauer
 Nays: None
 Absent: Marchese

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
MOTION DULY CARRIED

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

City Treasurer Coren encouraged residents to fly their flags on Saturday, September 11.

Mayor Weaver commented that, in addition to remembering the tragic events of September 11, 2001, it is important to be tolerant and respectful of all individuals.

Clare Bongiovanni announced that there will be a 9/11 tribute from VFW Post 2838 on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at 1:45 P.M., prior to the entertainment at DarienFest.

Arleta Peknik of 609 – 72nd Street commented on the many ComEd outages on the south side of 72nd Street.

Mayor Weaver suggested Ms. Peknik contact Assistant City Administrator Coren regarding this issue.

Alderman Galan advised that the outage today was the result of a fallen tree branch.

Chief Pavelchik added that a tree located on private property fell toward Plainfield Road and shorted out the wires. Power was restored in an hour.

Mayor Weaver encouraged Ms. Peknik to telephone Scott Coren, the city's ComEd liaison, whenever there is an outage.

Ms. Peknik expressed concern with an incident which occurred at Hinsdale South High School today.

Mayor Weaver advised that the incident occurred last week, and the Police Department handled the problem.

Chief Pavelchik advised that there was information shared amongst students alleging a violent act. The Police Department took the appropriate precautions but there was no substantiated or credible information.

Mayor Weaver advised that there was no incident which occurred at the school today, and the alleged violent act of last week did not occur. Mayor Weaver expressed dismay at the rumors.

Alderman McIvor inquired when ComEd will be attending and providing a status update report at a City Council Meeting.

Administrator Vana advised that a meeting will be scheduled shortly.

Alderman Avci remarked that ComEd's tree trimming efforts need to be improved.

Mayor Weaver agreed and suggested tree trimming efforts be placed on the list of items to be addressed by ComEd.

Philip Gardner of 2100 Manning Road commended the city's Police and Public Works services.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:23 P.M.

Mayor

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 09-07-10.
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