

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL, SECTION 2(C)(11) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

It was moved by Alderman Seifert and seconded by Alderman Beilke to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Pending Litigation, Section 2(C)(11) of the Open Meetings Act at 7:02 P.M.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: Marchese, McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

It was moved by Alderman Seifert and seconded by Alderman Beilke at 7:30 P.M. to adjourn into open session.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: Marchese, McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

OCTOBER 3, 2011

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:35 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 Ragona was as follows:

Present:	Halil Avci	Ted V. Schauer
	Tina M. Beilke	Joerg Seifert
	John F. Poteraske	

Absent: Joseph A. Marchese
Sylvia McIvor

Also in Attendance: Kathleen Moesle Weaver, Mayor
JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
John B. Murphey, City Attorney
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator
Scott Coren, Assistant City Administrator
Daniel Gombac, Director of Community Development/Municipal Services
David Skala, Deputy Chief

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

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – September 19, 2011

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Poteraske to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of September 19, 2011, as amended.

Mayor Weaver noted that on Page 3, under Mayor’s Report, Item A, second paragraph, Frank Gore was corrected to David Gore.

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: Marchese, McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

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6. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Avci invited residents of Ward 7 to actively participate in the City's Goal Setting Session this November by attending and/or communicating issues they would like to see on the agenda.

On behalf of Alderman McIvor, Administrator Vana read into the record an e-mail received from Mary Tontolio in regard to the appointment of Police Chief.

Alderman Beilke indicated that Council received an e-mail from Rick Biehl regarding the video recording of the September 19, 2011 City Council Meeting. Administrator Vana responded that although the video ran live during the recess of the City Council Meeting, the recess portion was not recorded. Administrator Vana informed Council that he responded to Mr. Biehl's email.

Alderman Beilke invited Ward 2 residents to attend a meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2011 at Indian Prairie Library from 7:00 to 8:45 p.m. where they would have an opportunity to meet Chief of Police, Ernest Brown.

Mayor Weaver invited all to attend Cash Dash with Treasurer Dan Rutherford on Thursday, October 6 at City Hall at 11:00 a.m. Treasurer Rutherford's staff will be on hand to assist residents in determining if there is money due them from the State. Administrator Vana added that if unable to attend, residents can go on the Treasurer's website or call their office.

7. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION "LIONS CLUB CANDY DAYS" (FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2011 AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2011)

Mayor Weaver read into the record a Proclamation declaring October 14 and 15, 2011 Lions Club Candy Days in the City of Darien and urged citizens to support this very worthwhile organization in their fund raising drive.

B. MAYORAL PROCLAMATION "FIRE PREVENTION MONTH" (OCTOBER 2011)

Mayor Weaver read into the record a Proclamation declaring October 2011 as Fire Prevention Month in the City of Darien and urged residents to participate in fire prevention activities at work and school to ensure their safety and the safety of their families and friends in the event of a fire.

C. AUDIT PRESENTATION

Lou Karrison of Sikich Professional Services & Support presented and reviewed the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Management Letter. He advised that the requirements of Government Finance Officers Association were met for the period ending April 30, 2011. Mr. Karrison advised that the auditors agree that the city's financial statements are fair, reasonable, and contain no misstatements. This is the highest form of assurance the auditors can provide.

Mayor Weaver advised that the audit has been posted on the City's website for citizen review. Administrator Vana added that Mr. Karrison attended an Administrative Finance Committee Meeting where the audit and Management Letter were discussed in detail.

Treasurer Coren thanked Lou Karrison, Sikich Staff, and Paul Nosek for their fine work. He has found Sikich to be very professional.

In response to Alderman Poteraske, a brief discussion took place regarding the additional accruals. Treasurer Coren advised that a difference to the negative in the future is highly unlikely unless taxes are decreased or there is a significant downturn of sales tax revenues. Administrator Vana provided an explanation of the accrual differences this year. A brief discussion of other municipal audits took place.

In response to Alderman Beilke, Mr. Karrison explained procedures that were recommended by his firm and followed by the City.

8. **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

City Clerk Ragona invited all to attend Coffee with the Mayor on Saturday, October 15, 2011 at B & R Dentist located at 2861 83rd Street from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

9. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

There was no report.

10. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

Alderman Avci commented that he has noticed that many residents have placed brush out for pickup and asked if Municipal Services could provide an additional brush pickup. Director Gombac explained that, due to a demanding work schedule, a special brush pickup prior to the week of October 24 cannot be accomplished. He added that residents

are welcome to utilize the brush dumpster located at the Public Works facility at 1041 S. Frontage Road.

Alderman Avci commented that after reading a press release from the Police Department, there appears to be an escalation of vandalism and inquired what is being done. Deputy Chief Skala responded that the vandalism referred to in the press release took place on one night in various parts of the city. He added that there were no witnesses, suspects or evidence. Deputy Chief Skala stated that the most effective means of addressing this type of problem is for residents to keep their driveways well lit and to call 911 regarding any suspicious activity or noise.

At the request of Alderman Beilke, Director Gombac provided an update on the High Road Ditch Project. He added that the Municipal Services Committee will take a tour of the project area in the near future.

Director Gombac announced that Tuesday Morning, a gift and home accessory store, has relocated from Woodridge to Chestnut Court Shopping Center in Darien, and will be opening on Tuesday, October 4.

Deputy Chief Skala announced that, due to a life-threatening condition, Police Canine Rolf was put to rest last Thursday.

At the request of Alderman Beilke, Director Gombac explained he would attend the International Council of Shopping Centers event at Navy Pier this Wednesday and Thursday, targeting retailers for Darien Shopping Centers.

11. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 11-12-10

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Beilke to approve payment of Warrant Number 11-12-10 in the amount of \$95,520.29 from the General Fund; \$6,406.63 from the Water Fund; \$11,617.30 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$485.00 from the Water Depreciation Fund; \$165,325.81 from the Capital Improvement Fund; \$245,283.07 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/22/11; \$20,023.51 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 09/22/11; for a total to be approved of \$544,661.61.

In response to questions from Alderman Poteraske, Director Gombac advised that the \$4647.08 payment to Denler was for seal coating and striping the City Hall/Police Department parking lot; and the reimbursement cost of a basketball hoop was due as a result of damage during mulch delivery. Deputy Chief Skala advised that the \$3,300 for

Staff in Command School is a budgeted expense for the sergeants to attend a ten week administrative course at Northwestern University.

In response to Alderman Seifert, Deputy Chief Skala advised that the Police Vehicles will be delivered the end of October or beginning of November; equipment for the vehicles is currently being ordered

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

Nays: None

Absent: Marchese, McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

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B. TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST, 2011

Treasurer Coren advised that the report reflects the approved transfer of \$1,000,000 from the General Fund to Capital Improvements Fund and the additional approved expenditures for the ditch project.

Treasurer Coren reviewed all year-to-date sources of revenue and expenditures and fund balances through the month of August, 2011:

General Fund: Revenue \$5,115,349; Expenditures \$3,928,518; Current Balance \$2,648,241;

Water Fund: Revenue \$1,409,183; Expenditures \$961,544; Current Balance \$1,798,321;

Motor Fuel Tax Fund: Revenue \$292,203; Expenditures \$141,587; Current Balance \$231,606;

Water Depreciation Fund: Revenue \$565; Expenditures \$0; Current Balance \$135,069;

Capital Improvement Fund: Revenue \$3,104,709; Expenditures \$1,651,327; Current Balance \$1,568,076;

Capital Projects Debt Service Fund: Revenue \$57,860; Expenditures \$52,375; Current Balance of \$7,687.

12. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative/Finance Committee — Chairman Poteraske submitted the minutes of the Administrative/Finance Committee Meeting of September 12, 2011 and announced the next meeting is scheduled to take place on October 10, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

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**

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

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

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. O-22-11** **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN**

- B. **RESOLUTION NO. R-79-11** **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE UNIT PRICE PROPOSAL FROM THE TLC GROUP FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF MEDIAN TREES FOR 75TH STREET, THE 50/50 PARKWAY TREE PROGRAM AND THE PLANTING OF VARIOUS PARKWAY TREES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,399.00**

- C. **RESOLUTION NO. R-80-11** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL FROM ILLINI POWER PRODUCTS, FOR THE EMERGENCY GENERATOR REPAIRS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,949.37**

- D. **RESOLUTION NO. R-81-11** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND THE DARIEN PARK**

DISTRICT FOR ROCK SALT VEHICLES

- E. RESOLUTION NO. R-82-11** **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DARIEN AND CENTER CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT #66 FOR ROCK SALT**

- F. RESOLUTON NO. R-83-11** **A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DUPAGE COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHARING INFORMATION FOR THE COUNTY'S GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEM**

- G. RESOLUTION NO. R-84-11** **A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A PLAT OF DEDICATION FOR SPRING COURT AND CERTAIN PROPERTY**

- H. RESOLUTON NO. R-85-11** **A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A PLAT OF DEDICATION FOR RIPPLE RIDGE COVE AND CERTAIN PROPERTY**

Roll Call: Ayes: Avci, Beilke, Poteraske, Schauer, Seifert

 Nays: None

 Absent: Marchese, McIvor

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

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16. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

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

Alderman Avci suggested issues of resident concern be compiled and reviewed for possible inclusion in the Goal Setting Session.

Mayor Weaver noted that Goal Setting Sessions are, and have always been, open to the public.

Administrator Vana added that Goal Setting Sessions are publicized and resident suggestions are welcome.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:28 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 10-03-11.
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