

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY CLERK RAGONA FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE AUGUST 5, 2024 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:12 P.M.

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
**of the City Council of the**  
**CITY OF DARIEN**

**August 5, 2024**

**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 Clerk Ragona.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Clerk Ragona 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 (Remote)	Ralph Stompanato
	Joseph A. Kenny	Mary Coyle Sullivan
	Gerry Leganski	

Absent: None

Also in Attendance: 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 seven aldermen present, Clerk Ragona declared a quorum.



A property owner commented on short-term rentals; he urged Council to revisit ordinance. Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny spoke of current ordinance.

Angie DeYoung voiced concerns with short-term rental property and handling of code violations. Alderman Stompanato noted property owner had no knowledge of ordinance prohibiting short-term rentals. Director Gombac commented on the situation and reviewed the due process given residents with code violations. Alderman Leganski commented regarding similar situation in his Ward and process involved. Council discussion ensued.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – July 15, 2024

It was moved by Alderman Stompanato and seconded by Alderman Leganski to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of July 15, 2024.

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Gustafson, Kenny, Leganski, Schauer, Stompanato, Sullivan
	Abstain:	Belczak
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None

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

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderwoman Sullivan...  
...received communication from Liz Baretto, Waterfall Glen, regarding status of sound wall now that I55 Lemont Street Bridge was completed; she explained the projects are not related. IDOT has no plans for a sound wall.  
...stated North Frontage Road curve correction plans are coming together nicely; IDOT roadway striping and sign off are scheduled for completion in August.  
...noted Carriage Green Country Club restaurant, “On Par,” is close to completion.

8. **MAYORS REPORT**

Mayor Pro-Tem Kenny stated during the Work Session New Business Item A was moved to Consent Agenda as Item M.



**Municipal Services Committee** – Chairman Belczak stated the minutes of the June 24, 2024 meeting were approved and submitted to the Clerk’s Office. He announced the next Municipal Services Committee meeting is scheduled for August 26, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

**Police Committee** – Chairman Kenny announced the Police Committee meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

**Police Pension Board** – Liaison Coren announced the Police Pension Board quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 6:00 P.M in the Police Department Training Room. He noted the Actuarial Report will be presented.

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 Belczak and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve by Omnibus Vote the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- A. **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE \$50.00 A DAY FEE FOR THE TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE DARIEN LIONS CLUB – STEAK FRY**
- B. **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE \$50.00 A DAY FEE FOR THE CLASS “J” TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE FOR DARIEN LIONS CLUB – OCTOBERFEST**
- C. **CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE RAFFLE LICENSE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR THE DARIEN WOMAN’S CLUB**
- D. **ORDINANCE NO. O-15-24**                      **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-3-7 RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES IN CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS**
- E. **ORDINANCE NO. O-16-24**                      **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL SURPLUS PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF DARIEN**
- F. **RESOLUTION NO. R-69-24**                      **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE UNIT PRICE PROPOSAL FROM ST. AUBIN NURSERY & LANDSCAPING, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF THE 50/50 PARKWAY TREE**

**PROGRAM AND THE PARKWAY TREE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$36,540.00**

**G. RESOLUTION NO. R-70-24**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM RAG'S ELECTRIC FOR THE ELECTRICAL UPGRADE OF THE LIGHTING OF THE VARIOUS CITY'S ENTRANCE SIGN LOCATIONS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$62,410.00**

**H. RESOLUTION NO. R-71-24**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM DISCOUNT FENCE COMPANY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,855.00 FOR THE PURCHASE, REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION OF A 6-FOOT HIGH TONGUE AND GROOVE SIERRA BLEND CERTAGRAIN BOARD WOOD FENCE**

**I. RESOLUTION NO. R-72-24**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE ENGINEERING, LTD., TO PERFORM FIVE YEARS (2025-2029) OF STEWARDSHIP (MAINTENANCE) ON THREE ACRES OF RESTORED NATIVE PRAIRIE LOCATED AT ELM STREET AND ELEANOR PLACE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,215.00 ANNUALLY FOR A PERIOD OF 5 YEARS**

**J. RESOLUTION NO. R-73-24**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY: 7117 HUDSON STREET 09-28-205-005**

**K. RESOLUTION NO. R-74-24**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW, MODEL TL-3 SCORPION TOWABLE TRAILER ATTENUATOR, FROM STREET SMART RENTALS, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$33,785.00**

**L. RESOLUTION NO. R-75-24**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM GARLAND/DBS, INC., FOR THE LABOR, MATERIAL AND INSTALLATION OF LIMITED TUCK-POINTING, WINDOW REPLACEMENT, GUTTER AND DOWNSPOUT REPLACEMENT, METAL FLASHING REPLACEMENT, NEW METAL CAPS/FLASHING AND THE REFURBISHING OF THE GARAGE FLOOR FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING FACILITY LOCATED AT 1041 SOUTH FRONTAGE RD., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$285,663.005**

**M. RESOLUTION NO. R-76-24**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT EXTENSION, YEAR 4, WITH ECO CLEAN MAINTENANCE, INC. TO PROVIDE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF DARIEN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,896.00**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

**MOTION DULY CARRIED**

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

Claudia Manly inquired about police-related statistics; Chief Thomas responded.

Aldерwoman Sullivan complimented Municipal Services on proactive use of Vactor truck in maintaining storm drains.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

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Mayor Pro-Tem

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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 08-05-24. Minutes of 08-05-24 CCM.