

Minutes - August 4, 2003

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:10 P.M. BY MAYOR CARMEN D. SOLDATO FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE AUGUST 4, 2003 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

AUGUST 4, 2003

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 Carmen D. Soldato.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

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

Present: Richard Biehl Joseph Marchese

Morgan Cotten John F. Poteraske, Jr.

David Hagen James Tikalsky

Kathleen Moesle-Weaver

Also in Attendance: Carmen D. Soldato, Mayor

Joanne F. Coleman, City Clerk

Kevin P. Monaghan, City Treasurer

Judith N. Kolman, City Attorney

Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator

Robert Pavelchik, Chief of Police

Gregory Dreyer, Community Development Director

Robert Mengarelli, Asst. Director of Public Works

Robert Rodgers, Asst. Director of Public Works

4. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM — There being seven Aldermen present, Mayor Soldato declared a quorum.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — July 7, 2003

It was moved by Alderman Tikalsky and seconded by Alderman Cotten to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 7, 2003, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

6. RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Marchese received communications from numerous residents, which included the Chakroborty, Nair, Lakhe, Patel, Keshava and Kohlsat families, who reside on Brandon Road, on Kilkenny Drive and in the Tara Hill subdivision regarding vandalism.

Alderman Biehl read email received from Maureen Flaherty, 6705 Leonard Drive, which he submitted for the record. Ms. Flaherty voiced her disapproval of the proposed rezoning of property located at 67th Street & Bentley Drive.

Alderman Poteraske:

- Communicated with Dan Goessling, 1700 block of Holly Avenue, in regard to speeding traffic.
- Spoke of debris and unfinished work at the Plainfield Office Park site, which was being addressed.

Alderman Hagen spoke about an email from Administrator Vana in regard to cancellation of the July 21st City Council Meeting and the letter to the Darien Park District about utilizing the Council Chambers on July 21st; Administrator Vana responded that Council was emailed the Administrator's Report on July 18th and was emailed again on July 21st about cancellation of the meeting.

Mayor Soldato stated that communication was received from the Lacayo family of Willowbrook in regard to the intersection at Clarendon Hills Road and 67th Street; they asked that additional consideration be given for a four-way STOP sign. He asked that the Administrative/Finance Committee review criteria to determine if the intersection warrants the change.

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Soldato noted that Administrator Vana was seeking dates from Council in order to schedule a Goal Setting Session.

8. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Coleman...

... announced that the August 5th rescheduled meeting for the Administrative/Finance Committee had been cancelled. The Committee is scheduled to meet on September 8th at 6:30 P.M.

... noted that the August 27th Public Works Water/Streets Committee meeting had been cancelled.

... commented that a Special Meeting had been scheduled for the City Council Committee-of-the-Whole for Monday, August 11th, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers for a consultant interview regarding the Business District Development and Redevelopment.

... invited everyone to have Coffee with Mayor Soldato on Saturday, August 16th, from 9:00-10:00 A.M. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vana mentioned that the Goal Setting Session tentative dates were either September 9th, 10th, or 11th. He asked Council to contact Ms. Furman to indicate their availability and suggested topics.

Alderman Poteraske asked for an update on the Dale Basin Project. Administrator Vana replied that there was no new information; the County was proceeding with bids for the second project, the Crest Basin. Alderman Biehl indicated that work was being done on the three homes: demolition and removal of asbestos. Mayor Soldato noted that County staff indicated that part of the Dale Basin problem was that the DuPage Water Commission bored through the City's pipe on Plainfield Road; when the problem is rectified, water would flow freely.

10. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT

Community Development Director Gregory Dreyer...

... reported that sixty-six permits were issued during the month of July compared to July 2002 when seventy-seven were issued.

... noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission was very active; they have reviewed or would be reviewing the following projects: Intrepid PUD at 75th Street & Fairview; 67th Street & Bentley Subdivision; Modell Funeral Home Addition; a Martial Arts Training Academy in Darien Plaza; Market Place of Darien at 75th Street & Lyman Avenue; and Darien Park District's Skate Park.

... stated that they were working with Gallagher & Henry regarding the Tara Hill Subdivision; that a new electrical inspector would start soon; that several new businesses had opened: Panera Bread, Mi Hacienda Restaurant, Sweet Avenue, and Curves.

Mayor Soldato asked Director Dreyer to update Council regarding Crossroads. Director Dreyer responded that there were several property maintenance issues, that they were ticketed for the violations and that they were awaiting a Court date. Director Dreyer introduced Rob Lowe, a representative of Glenbrook

Developers. Mr. Lowe addressed Council; he stated that they were currently under contract to sell the property. He reported that one of Glenbrook's owners had filed bankruptcy, which stopped financing. Glenbrook expects the transfer of property to take place either by the end of August or beginning of September. Mayor Soldato stated that the problems needed to be rectified and that the City was willing to work with Glenbrook. Mary Toniolo, 8492 Sandalwood Court, stated resident concerns about the Crossroads site. She concluded that the residents want resolution of all the outstanding issues and that they would continue to attend Council meetings until everything was resolved. Mayor Soldato stated that Administrator Vana, Director Dreyer and the developer would meet at the Crossroads site on August 5th at 10:30 A.M. He invited a representative of the homeowner association to attend the meeting.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. WARRANT NUMBER 03-04-06

It was moved by Alderman Tikalsky and seconded by Alderman Cotten to approve payment of Warrant Number 03-04-06 in the amount of \$106,171.50 from the General Fund; \$201,823.02 from the Water Fund; \$154,247.18 from Motor Fuel Tax Fund; \$172,787.49 from Darien Towne Center Tax Fund; \$5,755.00 from Hotel/Motel Tax Fund; \$5,159.45 from the Darien Area Dispatch Fund; \$204,017.31 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/10/03; \$23,853.58 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/10/03; \$26,810.83 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/10/03; \$217,287.68 from the General Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/24/03; \$24,790.35 from the Water Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/24/03; \$23,580.66 from the D.A.D.C. Fund Payroll for the period ending 07/24/03; for a total to be approved of \$1,166,284.05.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Cotten, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: Hagen

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 1, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. TREASURER'S MONTH REPORT – JUNE 2003

City Treasurer Monaghan reviewed all sources of revenue and expenditures for the month of June 2003 with the following year-to-date fund balances: General Fund \$2,072,159; Water Fund \$492,105; Motor Fuel Tax Fund \$937,344; Darien Towne Centre Sales Tax Fund \$159,358; and Hotel/Motel Tax Fund \$65,240.

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative/Finance Committee — No report.

Planning/Development Committee — No report.

Public Works Water/Streets Committee — No report.

13. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS — AGENDA RELATED

There were no Agenda related questions or comments.

14. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to come before the City Council.

15. CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. RESOLUTION NO. R-24-03 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNIVERSAL SCRAP METALS, INC. AND THE CITY OF DARIEN FOR THE RECYCLING CENTER LOCATED AT 1220 PLAINFIELD ROAD

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A HEWLETT PACKARD COLOR LASER JET 4600dn PRINTER FOR THE CLERK'S OFFICE

C. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE RAFFLE LICENSE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR DENNIS J. MURPHY MEMORIAL FUND

D. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF ONE STREET LIGHT IN THE INTERSECTION OF 71st STREET & EMERSON

E. RESOLUTION NO. R-25-03 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO MAINTENANCE (Society of the Little Flower Subdivision)

F. RESOLUTION NO. R-26-03 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS SUBJECT TO MAINTENANCE (National Shrine of St. Therese Subdivision)

G. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF SEVEN STALKER RADAR UNITS

H. RESOLUTION NO. R-27-03 A RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN STATE OF ILLINOIS FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

16. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION DECLARING A DEFAULT AND DEMANDING PAYMENT UNDER A CERTAIN LETTER OF CREDIT (Tara Hill/Harris Trust and Savings Bank)

It was moved by Alderman Hagen and seconded by Alderman Tikalsky to approve

RESOLUTION NO. R-29-03 A RESOLUTION DECLARING A DEFAULT AND DEMANDING PAYMENT UNDER A CERTAIN LETTER OF CREDIT (Tara Hill/Harris Trust and Savings Bank)

as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WILLIAM J. KNAPP AND THE CITY OF DARIEN FOR ELECTRICAL INSPECTION SERVICES

It was moved by Alderman Weaver and seconded by Alderman Cotten to approve

RESOLUTION NO. R-28-03 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WILLIAM J. KNAPP AND THE CITY OF DARIEN FOR ELECTRICAL INSPECTION SERVICES

as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Biehl, Cotten, Hagen, Marchese, Poteraske, Tikalsky, Weaver

Nays: None

Absent: None

Results: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Absent 0

MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — GENERAL

Alderman Cotten noted that a resident meeting was scheduled for August 14th at 7:30 P.M. at the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District, 7550 Lyman Avenue, to discuss the Bradford development proposed for 75th Street & Lyman Avenue. Council decided to post the meeting as a "Special Meeting" of the City of Darien; Clerk Coleman verified the information.

Mayor Soldato spoke briefly about the Darien Park District's proposed skate park; he stated that the City did not oppose the project. He noted that Council must approve the plans because the Sportsplex had been granted a Special Use designation. Mayor Soldato noted that the youth who initiated the idea for a skate park would be notified of the Public Hearing date.

Alderman Weaver asked that speeding be added as one of the items for the Goal Setting Session, particularly 69th Street to address resident concerns.

Clerk Coleman commented that communication was received from Sam Kelley that informed the City that former Alderman William Aiken had passed away last week. Mr. Aiken was an Alderman from 1970-71. She extended sympathy to the Aiken family.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

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

Mayor

City Clerk

JFC/jr All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 08-04-03.

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