

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR MARCHESE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE MAY 20, 2019 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:24 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

May 20, 2019

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 Mayor Marchese.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Marchese 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 M. Chlystek	Ted V. Schauer
	Eric K. Gustafson	Mary Coyle Sullivan
	Joseph A. Kenny	

Absent:	Thomas J. Belczak
	Lester Vaughan

Also in Attendance:	Joseph Marchese, Mayor
	JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk
	Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
	Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator
	Gregory Thomas, Police Chief
	Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services

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

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

There were none.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – May 6, 2019 City Council Meeting

It was moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of May 6, 2019.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Kenny, Schauer

 Abstain: Gustafson, Sullivan

 Nays: None

 Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Chlystek received...

...communication from Tom Yarbor, 600 block of Chippewa, regarding flooding in yard; Director Gombac will investigate issue.

...an anonymous inquiry regarding fire pit regulations; Director Gombac referred Alderman Chlystek to City Code for hours of operation.

Alderman Gustafson...

...received communication from Kathy Paskvan, 2000 block of Green Valley Road regarding vehicles speeding on Manning Road. Council discussion ensued regarding speed monitors/bumps, speed studies and data collection/reporting.

...commented regarding the lack of home address visibility from the street; Chief Thomas commented about the importance of clearly marked addresses in case of an emergency.

Mayor Marchese...

...received a letter from Hinsdale South High School regarding establishment of an ordinance regarding electric cigarettes. Mayor Marchese forwarded the letter to the Police Committee.

...received communication from Natalie Cesas, Senior at Downers Grove South High School, regarding environmental involvement/concerns. Mayor Marchese forwarded Ms. Cesas correspondence to the Environmental Committee.

8. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF FRANK NOVERINI TO THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderwoman Sullivan to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN M. BRESLIN TO THE POLICE PENSION BOARD

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Kenny to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

C. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBERT ERCK TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

It was moved by Alderwoman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Gustafson to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

John M. Breslin and Robert Erck were not in attendance; Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to Frank Noverini.

D. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF SYLVIA MCIVOR TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Gustafson to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to Sylvia McIvor.

E. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF HILDA GONZALEZ AND JULIE E. KASPROWICZ TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

It was moved by Alderman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Kenny to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan
 Nays: None
 Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

Clerk Ragona administered the Oath of Office to Hilda Gonzalez and Julie E. Kasprowicz.

F. PEOPLE’S RESOURCE CENTER

Jeni Fabian, Executive Director, provided the history of People’s Resource Center (PRC) and explained the services provided to DuPage County residents, which include: food pantry, clothes closet, social services, computer training and access, art studio, job research assistance and adult learning & literacy. Ms. Fabian invited residents to volunteer by calling 630-682-5402 or visiting www.peoplesrc.org for more information.

Ms. Fabian announced “Race to the Flag” on May 26, 2019, 8:00 – 10:30 A.M. – a run/walk hosted by the Westmont Park District with proceeds going to PRC. Mayor Marchese will forward event information to Administrator Vana for inclusion in Direct Connect.

Ms. Fabian addressed Council questions.

Mayor Marchese informed Council and audience that he will be awarding everyday people making extraordinary contributions to the City with a “Heart of Darien Award”. He stated the first award will be presented at the next City Council Meeting. Mayor Marchese encouraged residents to email him with their nominations, which need to include a brief background description of the contribution. Details regarding the “Heart of Darien Award” can be found on the City’s website and in Direct Connect.

9. **CITY CLERK’S REPORT**

Clerk Ragona announced that City offices will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2019 in observance of Memorial Day.

10. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

There was no report.

11. **DEPARTMENT HEAD INFORMATION/QUESTIONS**

A. POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT – APRIL 2019

The April 2019 Police Department Monthly Report is available on the City website.

Chief Thomas...

...stated the Police Department has 1000 followers on Twitter.

...commented on the aggravated robbery at Baskin Robbins.

...addressed question from Council.

B. MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Director Gombac commented City construction projects have been delayed due to weather; he requested residents to be patient.

Director Gombac addressed Council questions.

12. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

A. WARRANT NUMBER 18-19-26

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Kenny to approve payment of Warrant Number 18-19-26 in the amount of \$622,509.13 from the enumerated funds for a total to be approved of \$622,509.13.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Kenny, Marchese, McIvor, Schauer

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

B. WARRANT NUMBER – 19-20-02

It was moved by Alderman Schauer and seconded by Alderman Kenny to approve payment of Warrant Number 19-20-02 in the amount of \$356,883.03 from the enumerated funds, and \$302,756.81 from payroll funds for the period ending 05/09/19 for a total to be approved of \$659,639.84.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Kenny, Marchese, McIvor, Schauer

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative/Finance Committee – Chairman Sullivan announced the next meeting of the Administrative/Finance Committee is scheduled for June 3, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall Conference Room.

Municipal Services Committee – Alderman Kenny announced the next meeting of the Municipal Services Committee is scheduled for May 28, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Police Committee – Chairman Kenny advised the Police Committee meeting has been rescheduled to May 28, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

Police Pension Board – Liaison Coren provided an update on the first quarter results. He stated the quarter was good for both investment managers, which yielded 8.38% and 8.39% respectively. Liaison Coren explained how the Police Pension Fund is funded.

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

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

There was no Consent Agenda.

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A 5-FOOT STORM SEWER EASEMENT FRONTING ELM

**STREET FROM THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY: 7318 SUNRISE AVENUE
09-26-111-024**

It was moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman Schauer to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Schauer, Sullivan

Nays: None

Absent: Belczak, Vaughan

Results: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Absent 2

MOTION DULY CARRIED

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

Mayor Marchese...

...congratulated Darien Chamber of Commerce on the good turnout for the Darien Dash held on May 19, 2019.

...commented on the nice Pancake Breakfast at the Swim & Recreation Club on May 19, 2019.

...provided an update on his visit to Sunny Patch Farm and his meeting with Cynthia McGann. Mayor Marchese encouraged Council and residents to visit the farm; he stated volunteers are needed. Cynthia McGann will be a guest speaker at the next Council meeting.

Alderwoman Sullivan commented that there are planting beds at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel for their food pantry. Mayor Marchese stated a garden patch is located at City Hall.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:21 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 5-20-19. Minutes of 5-20-19 CCM.