



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
505 BUTLER PLACE PARK RIDGE, IL 60068

Monday, February 4, 2013

By the authority of Mayor David F. Schmidt, Acting Mayor Thomas Cavanaugh, a civilian and student, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Deputy City Clerk Peterson read the Roll Call and the following Elected Officials indicated their presence: Ald. Sweeney, Di Pietro, Smith, Knight, Mazzuca, Maloney and Mayor Schmidt. Ald. Raspanti was absent. City Clerk Henneman arrived at 7:04 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular City Council Meeting – January 21, 2013

Motion by Ald. Sweeney. Seconded by Ald. Di Pietro.
Motion carried.

2. Committee of the Whole Meeting – January 28, 2013

Ald. Smith submitted corrections he wished to make for the January 28, 2013 Committee of the Whole draft minutes. Deputy Clerk Peterson read aloud the proposed change: *Ald. Smith also asked what was the meaning of any sign or other advertising structure in 14.2. Smith argued that non-advertising signs would not require a sign permit. The City Attorney eventually agreed that a court could probably interpret the law the same way.*

Move approval of the January 28, 2013 Committee of the Whole minutes, as corrected.
Motion by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney.
Motion carried.

IV. Consent Agenda

*All items listed with an asterisk are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of those items unless an Alderman so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

V.A.7. Resolution – Norwegian “Norway” Day Parade 2013

V.A.8. Resolution – Memorial Day Parade 2013

V.E.1. Approve Resolution - 2013 Cook County Data Request Agreement for GIS program

VII.A.1. Approve final reading of Ordinance for a Map Amendment from the R-2, Single Family Residential District, to the B-4, Uptown Commercial District, Public/Institutional Sub-District, at 229 South Courtland Avenue, Case MA-13-01

VII.E.1. Approve Taste of Park Ridge Services Contract for 2013

VII.E.2. Approve entering into an Easement and License Agreement to allow equipment related to Menchie’s Frozen Yogurt business in the Uptown parking area

VII.E.3. Approve a Resolution approving the First Amendment to the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium Intergovernmental Agreement

VII.H.1. Approve warrants reviewed by Ald. Knight for the period ending January 30, 2013 in the amount of \$2,900,735.80 and wire transfers in the amount of \$145,497.99 for a total of \$3,046,233.79

- VII.H.2.** Approve payment to CDW-G of Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$62,176.85 for year 2 of a 3-year software licensing agreement

Ald. Sweeney requested that Item VII.H.1. be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Ald. Knight sought clarification about the Taste of Park Ridge Contract that was before the Council. Ald. Knight wanted to make sure that the contract was being renewed exactly as is. Acting City Manager Hamilton indicated that was the case. He was not certain of the dates for this event.

Move approval of the Consent Agenda, as amended.

Motion by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Knight, Mazzuca, Maloney, Sweeney, Di Pietro and Smith

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

V. Reports of City Officials

A. Mayor

Mayor Schmidt explained the reason for having Thomas Cavanaugh call the meeting to order. Cavanaugh wrote a fiction story about Mayor Schmidt judging a citywide pizza contest on Super Bowl Sunday. Someday, Cavanaugh would also like to be elected Mayor.

1. Recognition of Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Rescue

Fire Chief Zywanski explained that February is designated as American Heart Association Month and marks the 10th anniversary of the Association's "Go Red for Women Campaign." Chief Zywanski provided statistics relating to heart disease in women. Additionally, in February, the Fire Department will be starting registration for CPR and AED Classes.

Chef Zywanski recognized Joanne Lexovich, a resident of the community and emergency room nurse, - for her successful administration of CPR at a residential home on December 26, 2012. Because of her quick response, there was a successful outcome and the patient is alive and doing well today.

2. Proclamation – Recognizing the City's Volunteers

Mayor Schmidt read a Proclamation which recognized the selfless dedication and the importance of volunteers who serve on the City's Boards, Commissions and Task Forces and other volunteers serving organizations throughout the community. He proclaimed February 2013 to be Volunteer Appreciation Month in the City of Park Ridge.

3. Recognition of Employees

Mayor Schmidt recognized City employees, Mike McGrath and Jeff Sorensen, for their dedication of volunteerism to the community. Both employees received the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce Community Star Award; McGrath in 2010 and Sorensen in 2012. Mayor Schmidt presented the gentlemen with a Proclamation.

4. Proclamation – Avenues to Independence, 60th Anniversary

Mayor Schmidt read the Proclamation recognizing the Avenues to Independence Organization for 60 years of service. The organization supports and encourages over 200 individuals with developmental disabilities to lead the lives they choose by providing residential, vocational and home-based services.

5. Proclamation – Alphonso Iannelli Month

Mayor Schmidt recognized the 125th anniversary of Alphonso Iannelli's birthday and proclaimed February as Iannelli Month in the City of Park Ridge. The Proclamation was presented to Ms. Judy Barclay who thanked the residents of Park Ridge for "saving this priceless treasure."

6. Kiwanis Spaghetti Dinner – Dave Donovan, president

Mr. Donovan, president of Park Ridge Kiwanis Club and recipient of the Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award, announced that Kiwanis Club of Park Ridge is holding their annual Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, February 8 at the First United Methodist Church.

7. Resolution – Norwegian “Norway” Day Parade 2013 /Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote

8. Resolution – Memorial Day Parade / Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote

B. City Council

Ald. Di Pietro disclosed that his company has been asked to submit a proposal to produce the Community Health Survey for Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. It is his opinion that this contract would not have any bearing on the City's Bed Tax Agreement with the hospital.

C. City Attorney

No report.

D. City Clerk

City Clerk Henneman explained that Early Voting for the April 9, 2013 election starts March 25, 2013 and ends April 6, 2013, Monday through Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Absentee Ballot applications are available at City Hall.

E. City Manager

1. Approve Resolution – 2013 Cook County Data Request Agreement for GIS program Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote

2. City Vehicle Purchases:

- a. Move the City Council approve the purchase order for (1) one 2013 Ford Escape Sport Utility Vehicle from Currie Motors Ford of Frankfort, IL in the amount of \$18,577.00 for the Public Works Department;**

Motion by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney.

Per the request of Ald. Mazzuca, Acting City Manager Hamilton explained the difference(s) between the original and revised proposals which exuded significant savings. Hamilton to specify which vehicles were redeployed into the fleet.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Mazzuca, Maloney, Sweeney, Di Pietro, Smith and Knight

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

- b. Move the City Council approve a purchase order for (1) one 2013 Ford Expedition Sport Utility Vehicle from Landmark Ford of Springfield, IL in the amount of \$28,183.00 for the Fire Department**

Motion by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney.

Ald. Mazzuca indicated that the original proposal was for two vehicles. Acting City Manager Hamilton explained that a vehicle from the fleet would be redeployed and used by the Fire Investigator. Ald. Mazzuca questioned the amount of pool cars and if the City has reserve vehicles beyond the pool cars. Mike McGrath, Public Works Fleet Manager, indicated that the City has two (2) pool cars. Any police seized vehicles are stored at the Public Works Service Center. Ald. Mazzuca requested that McGrath provide him an inventory of vehicles stored at the Public Works Service Center. McGrath indicated that he has used on-line auction sites in the past to sell the vehicles- the last time being approximately 2-3 years ago.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Maloney, Sweeney, Di Pietro, Smith, Knight, and Mazzuca

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

- c. **Move the City Council approve the purchase order for four (4) 2013 Ford Utility Police Interceptor vehicles from Currie Motors Ford of Frankfort, IL at a cost of \$26,178.00 per vehicle (or total, \$104,712.00)**

Motion by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney.

Ald. Mazzuca questioned the current inventory of squad cars, inclusive of unmarked cars. McGrath indicated the City has twelve (12). On a good day, ten (10) are on the street at any given time, according to Police Chief Kaminski. He commented briefly on the different staffing levels during the day. He also spoke about the difficulty of driving the current vehicles in the snow; the replacement vehicles are all-wheel-drive (AWD).

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Sweeney, Di Pietro, Smith, Knight, and Maloney

NAYS: Ald. Mazzuca

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 5-1.

- d. **Move the City Council approve a purchase order for one (1) 2013 Ford Utility Police Interceptor vehicle from Currie Motors Ford of Frankfort, IL at a cost of \$25,452.00**

Motion by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Di Pietro, Smith, Knight, Maloney, and Sweeney

NAYS: Ald. Mazzuca

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 5-1.

Acting City Manager Hamilton mentioned that residents could now enroll online and opt in with MC2. MC2 is the provider of electric power to Park Ridge residents through the North Shore Electrical Aggregation (www.northshoreelectricaggregation.com). Information can be obtained on the City's website.

He also mentioned that the IL Department Enhancement Program has awarded the City with a grant totaling \$841,380.00. Details are forthcoming. He thanked IL State Senator Dan Kotowski for his help and also City Engineer Sarah Mitchell for putting the Grant Application together and submitting the required documents.

VI. Citizens Who Wish to Address the City Council on a Non-Agenda Item

Judy Barclay (524 Courtland) reminded residents that on Wednesday, February 6, 2013, the Historic Preservation Commission is hosting a workshop. Katherine O'Conner from the IL Historic Preservation Agency in Springfield, IL will be the guest speaker. She will be providing information on the benefits to the City and homeowners about designated landmarks.

Joan Sandrick (409 S. Clifton) spoke about the design presentations that were made at the October 2012 Public Arts Commission meeting relating to the 911 Memorial. Based on comments heard by Sandrick, she does not believe that some firefighters or residents are supportive of the proposed monument plans. She understands the strong connection between the Fire Department and this piece of steel. However, going from a simple display to a mc-monument was a surprise to most, including the fact that the Art Commission might need to fundraise for its cost. Sandrick has viewed two pieces of steel currently displayed on simple pedestals. She believes less is more and that an alternative location should be considered.

VII. Reports of Boards, Commissions and Committees

A. Planning and Zoning Commission – Ald. Sweeney

1. Approve final reading of Ordinance for a Map Amendment from the R-2, Single Family Residential District, to the B-4, Uptown Commercial District, Public/Institutional Sub-District, at 229 South Courtland Avenue, Case MA-13-01 / Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote

B. Zoning Board of Appeal – Ald. Sweeney

1. Approve first reading of three variances for signage at 1 South Washington Avenue / 225 West Touhy Avenue, Case V-12-07 (Major):
 - a. to allow a wall sign facing Touhy Avenue to be 12 feet above the main display window, instead of 10 feet [as required by Section 14.6.F.2 subject to all the lumen and foot candle statements made by the applicant in the presentation].

Moved by Ald. Sweeney. Seconded by Ald. Di Pietro.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Smith, Knight, Mazzuca, Maloney, Sweeney and Di Pietro

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

- b. to allow a wall sign facing Washington Avenue to be 13 feet 11 inches above the main display window, instead of 10 feet as required by Section 14.6.F.2

Moved by Ald. Sweeney. Seconded by Ald. Di Pietro.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Knight, Mazzuca, Maloney, Sweeney, Di Pietro, and Smith

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

- c. to allow a wall sign, not facing a public street, to be 21 feet above the main display window instead of 10 feet and to allow the wall sign to be 300 square feet in area, instead of the maximum of 16 square feet as required by Sections 14.6.F.2. and 14.6.F.1. [subject to all the lumen and foot candle statements made by the applicant in the presentation]

Moved by Ald. Sweeney. Seconded by Ald. Di Pietro.

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Mazzuca, Maloney, Sweeney, Di Pietro, Smith, and Knight

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

C. Liquor License Review Board – Mayor Schmidt

1. Approve a Resolution creating one additional Liquor Licenses for 2013 [Rita's on the Run]

Moved by Ald. Di Pietro. Seconded by Ald. Sweeney

Roll Call:

AYES: Ald. Maloney, Sweeney, Di Pietro, Smith, Knight, and Mazzuca

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ald. Raspanti

Motion carried, 6-0.

D. O'Hare Airport Commissions – Ald. Maloney

Acting City Manager Hamilton attended the last meeting of the ONCC. He indicated that he brought the following pieces of information back from the meeting; ONCC 2013 Meeting Schedule, November 2012 and December 2012 Noise Management System Reports, and information regarding the new runway. The Technical Committee of the ONCC has been assigned to review the SEIS submitted by Park Ridge and Harwood Heights. The next Technical meeting is March 12, 2013 and the City plans to attend. The next O'Hare Commission meeting is February 20, 2013.

Mayor Schmidt explained how the matter was referred to Technical Committee without requiring the support of three member communities.

E. Procedures and Regulations Committee – Ald. Di Pietro

1. **Approve Taste of Park Ridge Services Contract for 2013 / Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote**
2. **Approve entering into an Easement and License Agreement to allow equipment related to Menchie's Frozen Yogurt business in the Uptown parking area / Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote**
3. **Approve a Resolution approving the First Amendment to the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium Intergovernmental Agreement / Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote**

F. Public Works Committee – Ald. Maloney

No report.

G. Public Safety Committee – Ald. Raspanti

No report.

H. Finance and Budget Committee – Ald. Knight

1. **Move to approve warrants reviewed by Ald. Knight for the period ending January 30, 2013 in the amount of \$2,900,735.80 and wire transfers in the amount of \$145,497.99 for a total of \$3,046,233.79**

Motion by Ald. Knight. Seconded by Ald. Di Pietro.

Ald. Sweeney explained that warrants are normally 2 million dollars. However, the warrants for this period exceeded 3 million dollars. For that reason, Sweeney carefully reviewed the expenditures and found three for rather large amounts. Finance Manager Kent Oliven explained that three expenditures were executed to Maine Township School District 207, Park Ridge School District 64, and the Park District for the Uptown TIF. Kane - McKenna assisted the City in determining the appropriate payment to each governmental body. A full TIF report, prepared by Kane -McKenna will be provided at the February 11, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting. In response to Ald. Sweeney's question, Oliven indicated that the General Fund balance is less than 2 million dollars and money is normally borrowed from this account for the payments. Ald. Knight requested that the final report be provided to the Elected Officials as soon as possible.

(Note: No vote was taken on the agenda item. Therefore, this item will be presented to the Council for approval on the February 18, 2013 City Council Agenda)

2. **Approve payment to CDW-G of Chicago, Illinois in the amount of \$62,176.85 for year 2 of a 3-year software licensing agreement / Approved pursuant to the Omnibus Vote**

VIII. New Business – For announcement, deliberation, and/or discussion only; no official action will be taken.

Ald. Maloney thanked all volunteers who helped make Rock N' Dodge a successful event.

Ald. Mazzuca mentioned that he noticed a few pre-emption devices that were not triggered by emergency vehicles. Fire Chief Zywnski believes that the snow could have been a factor in affected the devices.

Public Works Director Zingsheim indicated that he would have a crew investigate the problem at the locations provided by Ald. Mazzuca. On another note, Ald. Mazzuca would also like to be supplied with a list of City vehicle stock awaiting auction. Lastly, he would like a report on any pending grants with cost-sharing aspects since they could have an impact on budget planning.

IX. Adjournment

The Council adjourned its regular meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Transcribed by:

Cheryl L. Peterson, Deputy Clerk

Approved by the City Council on the 18th day of February, A.D., 2013.

Attest:

David F. Schmidt, Mayor

Betty W. Henneman, City Clerk