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REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL

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

MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.

**I. Call to order**

Mayor Maloney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

City Clerk Henneman read the roll call and the following elected officials indicated their presence: Mayor Maloney, Ald. Moran, Wilkening, Shubert, Melidosian, and Mazzuca.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

Ben McCarrick from Boy Scout Troop #50 led the attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**1. Regular City Council Meeting – May 1, 2017**

Moved by Ald. Moran. Seconded by Ald. Shubert.

**Motion carried; voice vote.**

**2. Committee of the Whole – May 8, 2017**

Moved by Ald. Moran. Seconded by Ald. Shubert.

**Motion carried; voice vote.**

**3. Committee of the Whole – April 24, 2017**

Moved by Ald. Moran. Seconded by Ald. Shubert.

**Motion carried; voice vote.**

**V. Reports of City Officials**

**A. Mayor's Report**

**1. Proclamation – National Historic Preservation Month**

a) Mayor Maloney read a Proclamation in recognition of National Historic Preservation Month and the importance of named designations contributing to the legacy in history. The Proclamation was presented to Judy Barclay, the Chairman of the City's Historic Preservation Commission.

**b) Recognition of the Historic Preservation Commission's 2017 Poster Contest Winners**

Chairman Barclay provided a brief background regarding the Historic Commission's annual Poster Contest. This year's winners were:

- Nabanoor Mazed – Third Grade, Field School
- Lucy McNally – Fourth Grade, St. Andrew’s
- Tyler DeMott – Fifth Grade, St. Paul of the Cross

Each winner was presented with a Certificate of Achievement and a gift bag that contained prizes from many sponsors within our community.

Chairman Barclay indicated that two of the drawings were of landmarks within the community. She explained the duties of the commission which reviews applications for nominations of buildings and determines whether it meets the criteria for landmark status. If approved, final action is taken by the City Council. The City Council nominates the building for landmark status through an Ordinance. There are currently twelve landmarks in the City of Park Ridge.

**2. Proclamation - National Public Works Week, May 21 - May 27, 2017**

Mayor Maloney read a Proclamation in recognition of Public Works Week. He also recognized many of the responsibilities of the Department, many of which the public take for granted. The health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on the Public Works Department and the services provided by its personnel. Director Zingsheim recognized his management team and the employees for the services they provide.

**3. Proclamation – United States Coast Guard Safe Boating Week**

Mayor Maloney read a Proclamation in recognition of Safe Boating Week which promotes the usage of life vests while boating to save lives. The Proclamation was presented to Charles Haag, Vice Commander of Flotilla 39-2 of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Ms. Haase, and Mr. Jacobsen.

**4. Approve to adjourn to closed session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; and,**

**5. Approve to adjourn to closed session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3) – Selection/Appointment of person to fill public office**

Moved by Ald. Mazzuca. Seconded by Ald. Moran.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYES** Ald. Moran, Wilkening, Shubert, Mazzuca, and Melidosian (5)  
**NAYS** None (0)  
**ABSENT** Ald. Milissis (1)  
**ABSTAIN** None (0)  
**Motion carried, 5 – 0.**

**B. City Council**

No report.

**C. City Attorney**

No report.

**D. City Clerk**

**1. Approve to adjourn to Closed Session to review and approve Closed Session minutes from its April 24, 2017 session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)**

Moved by Ald. Moran. Seconded by Ald. Mazzuca.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYES** Ald. Wilkening, Shubert, Mazzuca, Melidosian, and Mazzuca (5)  
**NAYS** None (0)  
**ABSENT** Ald. Milissis (1)  
**ABSTAIN** None (0)  
**Motion carried, 5 – 0.**

City Clerk Henneman reminded the Elected Officials about the meeting location and time for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 29 which steps off at 10:00 a.m.

**E. City Manager**

No report.

**VI. 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.

- VIII.F.1. **Approve a one (1) year extension to the contract for Elm Tree Injection Program, PW-FY17-02, to Robert Kinnucan Tree Experts and Landscaping Company, in the amount of \$60,000.00**
- VIII.F.2. **Approve a one (1) year extension to the contract for Tree and Stump Removal, PW-FY16-20 to Trees "R" Us Inc.**
- VIII.F.3. **Approve final reading of Ordinance establishing the 2017 list for Mandatory Replacement of Defective Sidewalks**
- VIII.G.1. **Approve a FY17 purchase order for grant related expenses with University of Illinois, Office of Grants and Contracts, in the amount up to \$17,000**
- VIII.H.1. **Approve FY17 warrants for period ending May 14, 2017 in the amount of \$912,044.23 reviewed by Alderman Moran**
- VIII.H.2. **Approve FY18 warrants for period ending May 15, 2017 in the amount of \$325,374.78 reviewed by Alderman Moran**

Moved by Ald. Melidosian. Seconded by Ald. Mazzuca.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYES** Ald. Shubert, Melidosian, Mazzuca, Moran, and Wilkening (5)

**NAYS** None (0)

**ABSENT** Ald. Milissis (1)

**ABSTAIN** None (0)

**Motion carried, 5 – 0.**

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

Ms. Millie O'Brien (946 N. Oakton) was disappointed with the service she received from Public Works on April 10 after learning that a utility contractor was in the process of putting up its third electric pole on the parkway next to her driveway. She believes she has rights as a citizen and that the City should fight on her behalf. She was upset she never received a notice from the City. She distributed photographs.

Joan Sandrik, a Fifth Ward resident, indicated that she previously served on the Sign Task Force in 2012 and believes it is time to revisit the issue. She explained that it has been approximately five years that the City has been looking at a blank sign at Touhy and Greenwood (Dunkin Donuts). She also spoke about the sign at Touhy and Cumberland (old Bailey's Restaurant). She would like to see improvements to the appearance of the signs. She also mentioned that the 7 Eleven at Devon and Courtland has a sign with a temporary sign wrapped around it and gas stations have temporary banners around them. She suggested that electronic message boards can be limited in size and scope and welcomes discussion. In her opinion, the manner in which banners are hung in Hodges Park is unattractive. She also spoke about the signs on Courtland and Belle Plaine which she believes has too many sign attached. She asked the City Council to clean up town because in her opinion it looks unappealing.

Pat Livensparger (413 Courtland) spoke about the unattractiveness of the metal street pole signs. She also commented on the tree-house that is still up on Western Avenue. She asked if the Mayor could find out why the tree house is still up since the judge ordered it to come down. According to Community Preservation and Development Director Brown, a permit has been submitted to bring the structure in compliance with the building code, He indicated that the structure will be twelve feet in height and ten feet from the principal structure.

Missy Langan (1924 Canfield) was a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals who voted to uphold the Zoning Administrator's decision to have the treehouse removed. The judge's order was to remove the structure. Treehouses are not allowed according to the City's Zoning Ordinance. She believes the only possibility would be to submit a text amendment which would allow treehouses. She was very frustrated because a great deal of money was spent on litigation. She asked the City to look into this matter.

## **VIII. Reports of Boards, Commissions and Committees**

### **A. Planning and Zoning Commission– Ald. Wilkening**

According to Ald. Wilkening, the Board discussed a project on Higgins Road (Mr. K's Garden Center) for a townhouse project. There were many things that did not meet code and would require changes.

### **B. Zoning Board of Appeals – Ald. Moran**

No report.

### **C. Liquor License Review Board – Mayor Marty Maloney**

No report.

### **D. O'Hare Airport Commission – Ald. Mazzuca**

No report.

### **E. Historic Preservation – Ald. Shubert**

Ald. Shubert congratulated the Poster Contest Winners. He indicated that landmark applications for Prospect Park will be presented on June 5, 2017. Additionally, he mentioned that an interpretive plaque was ordered which will be commemorated on Memorial Day for the the American Legion Memorial at the South Park. The Spirit of '45 Committee had a Memorial Dedication Ceremony at the site in August 2015. All are invited to a brief ceremony on Memorial Day at 9:30 a.m.

### **F. Procedures and Regulations Committee – Ald. Wilkening**

No report.

### **G. Public Works Committee – Ald. Moran**

Ald. Moran reported on the Suburban Cook County Resilience Program for those who had flooding in their home in April or May of 2013. There are restrictions with the program but anyone who experienced damage can obtain more information on the Northwest Housing Partnership website, [nwHP.net](http://nwHP.net).

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### **H. Public Safety Committee – Ald. Melidosian**

Ald. Melidosian reported that he will be taking part in Fire Department training exercises this coming Saturday.

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### **I. Finance and Budget Committee – Ald. Mazzuca**

- 1. Approve FY17 warrants for period ending May 14, 2017 in the amount of \$912,044.23 reviewed by Alderman Moran / Approved by omnibus vote**

2. **Approve FY18 warrants for period ending May 15, 2017 in the amount of \$325,374.78  
Reviewed by Alderman Moran / Approved by omnibus vote**

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

Ald. Mazzuca inquired about the candy supply for the Memorial Day Parade. Deputy Clerk Peterson indicated that she will once again be purchasing candy for the Elected Officials. Ald. Wilkening plans to distribute milk bones to the canine members of the community.

Community Preservation and Development Director Brown reported that his Department will be in a meeting tomorrow and have limited staff through Friday based on the introduction of the department's new Software implementation. Mayor Maloney questioned the new abilities of the software and the efficiencies it will add to the department and the benefits it will provide to the residents.

Director Brown believes the program will allow for more online applications, be able to check permit status online, and allow for inspection reports to be entered into the system from the field real-time via Toughbook laptops. The program will also bring a variety of metrics to predict trends and enable the department to plan more efficiently. The anticipated go live date is estimated to be 8-12 months.

**X. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Ald. Moran to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:48 p.m. Seconded by Ald. Shubert.  
**Motion carried; voice vote.**

Mayor Maloney called for a brief 10 minute recess to clear the room.

The City Council returned to its regular meeting from Closed Session at 8:47 p.m.

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Transcribed by:

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Cheryl L. Peterson, Deputy Clerk

ATTEST:

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Marty C. Maloney, Mayor

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Betty W. Henneman, City Clerk