

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL OF CREST HILL  
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

The regular meeting of the City of Crest Hill was called to order by Mayor Raymond R. Soliman at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Building, 1610 Plainfield Road, Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Roll Call indicated the following present: Mayor Raymond Soliman, City Clerk Vicki Hackney, City Treasurer Glen Conklin, Alderman John Vershay, Alderman Scott Dyke, Alderwoman Barb Sklare, Alderwoman Claudia Gazal, Alderwoman Tina Oberlin, Alderman Marco Coladipietro, Alderman Nate Albert and Alderman Tom Inman.

Also present were: City Administrator Heather McGuire, Assistant City Administrator/HR Director Megan Fulara, Police Chief Ed Clark, Director of Public Works Tom Migatz, Economic Developer Scott McMaster and Deputy City Clerk Jan Serdar.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Soliman presented the minutes from the regular meeting held on September 4, 2018 for Council approval.

(#1) Motion by Alderman Coladipietro, seconded by Alderwoman Sklare to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on September 4, 2018 as presented.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Dyke, Vershay, Gazal, Oberlin, Albert, Inman, Sklare and Coladipietro

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(47)

Mayor Soliman informed Council that as part of our business promotion Kathy McCauley-Dames from Remax Ultimate Professionals was to be present tonight but had to cancel due to a scheduling conflict. She will be at the next Council meeting on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor Soliman informed Council that Katy Siegel from Siegel Cottonwood Farms was present to promote their annual Fall Fest. Katy Siegel addressed the Council to announce that their Pumpkin Fest opens the weekend of September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Katy informed Council of their upcoming schedule and all of the events that Siegel Cottonwood Farms has to offer.

(154)

Mayor Soliman asked Council to deviate from the agenda to honor a few special guests that were in attendance at the meeting tonight. The first item was for a resolution to honor Donald

J. Hoffman for his service to the City of Crest Hill. Mr. Hoffman and his daughter, Donna, were present in the audience. Mayor Soliman informed Council that Mr. Hoffman was a Founding Father of Crest Hill and was one of the first Council members after the City was incorporated on January 22, 1960. Mayor Soliman read the resolution and presented it to Mr. Hoffman.

(#2) Motion by Alderman Vershay, seconded by Alderman Dyke to approve A RESOLUTION HONORING DONALD JAMES HOFFMAN FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF CREST HILL.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Inman, Albert, Coladipietro, Oberlin, Gazal, Sklare, Vershay and Dyke

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #1013

(275)

Mayor Soliman informed Council that in reviewing the old Council minutes he found out a lot of interesting facts about how Crest Hill was formed and shared the information with them.

Mayor Soliman and the Council members thanked Mr. Hoffman for everything that he did to help form the City of Crest Hill.

(1090)

Mayor Soliman presented the next item before Council which was a proclamation honoring Constitution Week. Representatives from the Louis Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution were present in the audience. Council members from Ward Three and Ward Four read the proclamation.

(#3) Motion by Alderwoman Oberlin, seconded by Alderman Albert to approve A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 AS CONSTITUTION WEEK.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Dyke, Vershay, Sklare, Gazal, Coladipietro, Inman, Albert and Oberlin

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Soliman presented the proclamation to the members of the Louis Chapter that were present. The members thanked Mayor Soliman and the members of the Council for the approval of the proclamation.

(1315)

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: City Administrator Heather McGuire did not have any agenda items for discussion. Administrator McGuire informed the public that there will be a work session on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The items for discussion will be the TIF Planning

presentation, Rose and Kelly stop sign and the draft Sign Ordinance. Alderman Vershay asked to add the Oakland Avenue viaduct grass area to the work session agenda.

Administrator McGuire reminded the residents that Crest Hill is still offering the 50/50 Tree Program. If anyone is interested in this program please visit the website or call the City Clerk's Office for further information.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: Public Works Director Tom Migatz informed Council that they had a memo before them regarding the 2018 MFT Sidewalk Replacement Program. Bids were opened on September 4<sup>th</sup>. There were four bids received. The low bidder was Davis Construction in the amount of \$68,862.00.

(#4) Motion by Alderman Dyke, seconded by Alderman Vershay to award the bid to Davis Construction for the 2018 Sidewalk Replacement Project in the amount of \$68,862.00 as presented.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Inman, Albert, Coladipietro, Oberlin, Gazal, Sklare, Vershay and Dyke

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(1444)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT: Economic Development and Zoning Manager Scott McMaster had no agenda items for discussion.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Ed Clark informed Council that they had memo before them regarding a Police Service Contract with Siegel's Cottonwood Farm for their annual haunted house event. The contract is for six days which include October 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27, 2018. The contract is for two officers and two vehicles for traffic control on Weber Road.

(#5) Motion by Alderman Vershay, seconded by Alderwoman Gazal to approve the Police Service Contract with Siegel's Cottonwood Farm for traffic control on Weber Road during their haunted house event.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Oberlin, Coladipietro, Albert, Inman, Sklare, Dyke, Gazal and Vershay

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(1495)

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Ray Soliman presented a proclamation honoring National Rail Safety Week. Members of the Council from Ward One and Ward two read the proclamation.

(#6) Motion by Alderman Dyke, seconded by Alderwoman Gazal to approve A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 29, 2018 AS NATIONAL RAIL SAFETY WEEK.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Oberlin, Coladipietro, Albert, Inman, Vershay, Sklare, Vershay and Gazal

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(1618)

Mayor Soliman informed Council that he is seeking approval for a Class A Liquor License for 905 Theodore Street. The request is from Brian and Jill Spiller who are the new applicants for Crest Hill Bowling Lanes and Kegglers Bar and Grill.

(#7) Motion by Alderman Dyke, seconded by Alderman Vershay to approve a Class A Liquor License for Brian and Jill Spiller, new applicants for Crest Hill Bowling Lanes and Kegglers Bar and Grill, located at 905 Theodore Street.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Albert, Inman, Coladipietro, Oberlin, Gazal, Sklare, Vershay and Dyke

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(1720)

Mayor Soliman thanked Bill Thomas and Bill Gallagher for the invitation to the Carillon Lakes 9-11 Ceremony. It was a very nice ceremony. Mayor Soliman stated that he also attended a ceremony at Lockport Township Fire District Station #6 which was also a very nice ceremony.

Mayor Soliman informed Council that last Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, that he attended the Joliet Sports Hall of Fame inductions. One of our Crest Hill residents, Tim Graf, was inducted into the Joliet Sports Hall of Fame as a track and field star.

Mayor Soliman informed Council that he attended the Crest Hill Police Car Show that benefited Special Olympics. Officer Renee Maly did a great job with the car show. It was a great event.

CITY CLERK: City Clerk Vicki Hackney had no agenda items for discussion.

Clerk Hackney announced that the City of Crest Hill petition packets are available for pick up starting on Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, for the April 2, 2019 election. The filing dates will be from December 10<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup>. Residents will be voting on one Alderman/Alderwoman from each of the four wards. All terms will be for four years.

(1970)

CITY TREASURER: City Treasurer Glen Conklin presented the regular and overtime payroll for the period of August 20, 2018 through September 2, 2018 in the amount of \$202,185.36.

Treasurer Conklin presented the list of bills in the amount of \$1,778,403.90 for Council approval.

(#8) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal, seconded by Alderman Inman to approve the list of bills in the amount of \$1,778,403.90 as presented.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Dyke, Vershay, Sklare, Oberlin, Coladipietro, Albert, Inman and Gazal

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(2007)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was no unfinished business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business to discuss.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS: Beautification Committee – Alderman Dyke informed Council that in the past the City of Crest Hill has run an ad in the Heritage Corridor magazine. The price to run an ad again this year would cost \$410.00. Alderman Dyke stated that he is seeking Council's approval to run the ad.

(#9) Motion by Alderman Dyke, seconded by Alderman Vershay for the approval of an ad to be placed in the Heritage Corridor magazine at the cost of \$410.00.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Sklare, Gazal, Oberlin, Coladipietro, Albert, Inman, Dyke and Vershay

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

(2051)

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS: Alderwoman Oberlin congratulated Mr. Reza on his annual Customer Appreciation Day. It was a great event. Alderwoman Oberlin informed Council that she received a message from the manager of Walgreens that they are now selling City of Crest Hill t-shirts. Alderman Coladipietro congratulated Mr. Don Hoffman and Tim Graf. Also, thank you to our Police Department for patrolling his neighborhood. Alderman Albert congratulated Mr. Hoffman. Thank you to Mayor Soliman for all of the information he provided to all of them regarding how the City of Crest Hill was first formed. Alderman Inman congratulated Mr. Hoffman and thanked Mayor Soliman for all of the history he provided for the Council. Alderwoman Gazal congratulated Mr. Hoffman. Alderwoman Sklare congratulated Mr. Hoffman. Also, thoughts and prayers are with the people of North Carolina who are in the path of hurricane Florence. Alderman Vershay congratulated Mr. Hoffman and also great job to the

Police Department for raising money for the Special Olympics. Alderman Dyke congratulated Mr. Hoffman.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no one wishing to address the Council.

There being no further business before the Council a motion for adjournment was in order.

(#10) Motion by Alderman Dyke, seconded by Alderman Vershay to adjourn the September 17, 2018 City Council meeting.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Inman, Albert, Coladipietro, Oberlin, Gazal, Sklare, Vershay and Dyke

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None


There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018

As presented: ✓

As amended: \_\_\_\_\_

  
VICKI L. HACKNEY, CITY CLERK

  
RAYMOND R. SOLIMAN, MAYOR