

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF CREST HILL
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
August 17, 2020

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, 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 Scott Dyke, Alderman John Vershay, Alderwoman Barbara Sklare, Alderwoman Claudia Gazal, Alderwoman Tina Oberlin, Alderman Marco Coladipietro, Alderman Nate Albert, Alderman Joe Kubal.

Also present were: City Administrator Heather McGuire, Police Chief Ed Clark, Community Development Director Scott McMaster, Public Works Director Tom Migatz, Finance Supervisor Ashli Motyka.

Absent were: Deputy City Clerk Janet Serdar, Assistant City Administrator/HR Director Megan Fulara, Director of Water/Wastewater Mark Siefert.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Soliman presented the minutes from the regular meeting held on August 3, 2020 for Council approval.

(#1) Motion by Alderwoman Sklare, seconded by Alderman Coladipietro, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on August 3, 2020.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Kubal, Dyke, Vershay, Sklare, Gazal, Oberlin, Coladipietro.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: Ald. Albert.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

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(43) Mayor Soliman asked to deviate from the regular agenda for a presentation on the GFOA Award. Representatives from the auditing firm were in attendance. They gave a speech and presented the award to the City. Mayor Soliman gave a brief speech. He thanked the City Staff for their hard work. Finance Supervisor Ashli Motyka thanked the auditors and staff. Alderman Coladipietro commended the City Staff.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: (198) City Administrator Heather McGuire had no agenda items for discussion.

(205) Administrator McGuire announced that there will be a work session on Monday August 24, 2020 with agenda items being finalized. We will also have a work session on Monday August 31, 2020 with agenda items being finalized.

(212) Administrator McGuire thanked the Public Works Department for all of their hard work in cleaning up after the recent storm. Alderwoman Oberlin asked why personnel from the treatment plant have moved into the new Public Works facility. Administrator McGuire gave the Council an update on the transition of personnel from the treatment plant. This will enable the departments to work more closely together. The water treatment operators are still working out of the treatment plant facility.

(288) Alderman Dyke asked for an update on 1917 Burry Circle. Administrator McGuire asked that this be discussed in executive session. Alderman Dyke also questioned 1919 Broadway and 1724 Broadway. Administrator McGuire would follow up on the Broadway addresses with the Building Department.

(306) Alderwoman Gazal asked considering the amount of debris that still needs to be picked up from the recent storm can an outside company be hired to expedite the process. Administrator McGuire explained that we have contacted several companies, but their priorities right now are getting trees and debris removed from homes and structures that were damaged. She explained that we have extended the work hours for our employees and they are also working on the weekends.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: (383) Public Works Director Tom Migatz had no agenda items for discussion. Director Migatz gave the Council an update on the storm clean up and the progress being made by the crews. Alderwoman Oberlin asked where the debris is being hauled. Director Migatz explained to the dump station. Members of the Council commended the City Staff. Alderman Dyke said that after we went through and picked up the branches and trees, Com-Ed cut down debris that was on the power lines and moved it to the parkway. Who is responsible for cleaning this up. Director Migatz said that we will go back and get the debris. Due to the large amount it could take a significant amount of time to get everything cleaned up.

(535) Director Migatz announced that the annual concrete replacement program is out for bid. He would keep the Council updated.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT: (555) Community Development Director Scott McMaster presented the Fuller's Car Wash Letter of Credit per the memo dated August 17, 2020. Fuller's has met substantial completion of final engineering plans per City requirement. Director McMaster recommends the release of the letter of credit upon receipt of the project warranty per ordinance #1512.

(#2) Motion by Alderman Albert, seconded by Alderman Vershay, to release the letter of credit upon receipt of the project warranty per ordinance #1512 per the memo dated August 17, 2020.

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

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

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(580) Director McMaster thanked those who attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at Forza. Alderman Dyke asked if Fuller's is going to offer the monthly car wash plan. Director McMaster would look into it.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: (632) Police Chief Ed Clark had no agenda items for discussion.

MAYOR: (641) Mayor Soliman thanked the Public Works and Police Department for their efforts during the recent storm. He asked that the residents be patient during the continued clean up. As far as the power outage, Com-Ed estimated that there were roughly 800,000 without power.

(826) Mayor Soliman announced that Census takers are out in the City collecting information. The Census is very important to the City so please take the time to complete the form.

CITY CLERK: (841) City Clerk Vicki Hackney had no agenda items for discussion. Clerk Hackney thanked the residents for their patience after the storm. Power was out in the City Building. Deputy Clerk Serdar and Administrative Assistant DeHaro were handling calls coming in regarding the power outage and debris as quickly as possible.

(864) Clerk Hackney announced that we had 40 city wide garage sales in August. She reminded the residents that they are allowed to have a garage sale on their own before the end of the year.

(875) Clerk Hackney thanked the Police Department for stopping the solicitors who do not have permits in the City. Alderwoman Oberlin thanked Jan and Marybel for their hard work manning the phones in the office. She stopped in the office and it was very busy.

(915) Mayor Soliman announced that we had a second garbage pick up on Friday due to the power being out on Monday and Tuesday. We had 164 residents take advantage of the extra pick up.

CITY TREASURER: (948) City Treasurer Conklin commended Supervisor Motyka and City Staff for their work on the annual audit. He also thanked the Council and Financial Advisor Narducci.

(971) City Treasurer Glen Conklin presented the regular and overtime payroll from July 20, 2020 to August 2, 2020 in the amount of \$226,718.19.

(979) Treasurer Conklin presented the list of bills in the amount of \$1,547,474.52 for Council approval.

(#3) Motion by Alderwoman Oberlin, seconded by Alderwoman Sklare, to approve the list of bills in the amount of \$1,547,474.52 as presented.

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (1003) There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS: (1006) There was no new business.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS: (1008) There were no committee/liaison reports.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: (1009) Alderman Dyke thanked Public Works and the Treasurer's Office. Alderwoman Sklare concurred with Alderman Dyke. Alderwoman Gazal wished all of the school age children well on their return to classes. Alderwoman Oberlin thanked Ada and Brian for the tour of the new Public Works facility. Alderman Coladipietro thanked the City staff for all of their hard work in the aftermath of the recent storm. Alderman Albert thanked City Staff. He also offered his condolences to the family of Donald Tomich, a former Ward IV Alderman. Alderman Kubal thanked Public Works. He announced that there will be a drive-in movie at Hastert Park on August 28, 2020. The cost is \$5.00 per car.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (1118) There were no citizens wishing to address the Council.

(1127) Mayor Soliman informed the Council that there was a need for an executive session on litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).

(#4) Motion by Alderwoman Oberlin, seconded by Alderman Coladipietro, to go into an executive session on litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

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

Executive session 7:36 p.m.

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(#5) Motion by Alderwoman Oberlin, seconded by Alderman Coladipietro, to reconvene from the executive session on litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and personnel (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

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

Reconvened at 9:12 p.m.

There being no further business before the Council, and no action needed from the executive session a motion for adjournment was in order.

(#6) Motion by Alderman Dyke, seconded by Alderman Vershay, to adjourn the August 17, 2020 City Council meeting.

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: None.

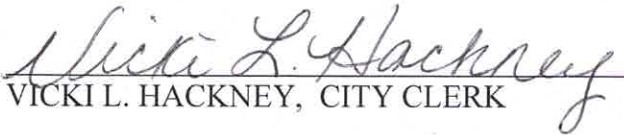
There being eight (8) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of September 2020

As presented ✓

As amended _____


VICKI L. HACKNEY, CITY CLERK


RAYMOND R. SOLIMAN, MAYOR