

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
October 12, 2015**

1. A regular meeting of the City Council, City of Country Club Hills, County of Cook, State of Illinois, was held in the City Hall, 4200 W. 183rd Street at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable James W. Ford, Mayor.

a. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all those in attendance.

2. **THOSE ON ROLL CALL ANSWERING PRESENT WERE:**

Aldermen Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey.

Also present were: City Clerk, Deborah McIlvain; City Treasurer, Argie Johnson-Martin and City Attorney, John Murphey.

2a. The invocation was given by Alderman Ricardo Spivey.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

A. **Approval of Minutes**

1. **Administrative Meeting - September 21, 2015**

2. **Special City Council Meeting - September 21, 2015**

3. **Regular City Council Meeting - September 28, 2015**

Alderman Evans moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of September 21, 2015, the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of September 21, 2015 and the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of September 28, 2015. Second - Alderman Davis. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of September 21, 2015, the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of September 21, 2015 and the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 28, 2015 Carried Via Voice Vote.

4. **Communications and Reports by the Mayor:**

Mayor Ford requested that the aldermen speak into the microphones to assist the recording team in their recording of the proceedings.

Mayor Ford thanked the residents for the patience during the resurfacing of the streets throughout the City.

Mayor Ford stated "Go Cubs!"

5. City Treasurer's Report

City Treasurer, Argie Johnson-Martin gave the qualified treasurer's report for the month ending August 31 citing revenue in the amount of \$12,527,445 and expenses in the amount of \$8,610,616.

6. City Clerk's Report

No Report

7. Committee Reports

**I. Finance: Alderman Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting October 22, 2015 5:00 pm)**

A. Approval of Vouchers -October 12, 2015

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,748,370351. Second - Alderman Lockett Discussion - It was explained that this included the A/P Disbursement Contracts, Expenses, Refunds, and Payroll AP.

ROLL CALL VOTE4 Ayes: Aldermen Lockett, Davis, Glispie, and Spivey.

1 Nays Alderman Evans

Alderman Evans cast a no vote for Steven Amu and Associates.

0 Absent:

Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of proceedings this date.

Alderman Davis reminded everyone of the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for October 22, 2015 at 5 pm.

**II. Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Alderman Evans, Chairman
Contract Compliance (TBA)**

Alderman Evans announced that a Law, Ordinance and Government Operations Committee Meeting will be held on October 8, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

A. Approval - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13, Article 3 of the City of Country Club Hills City Code to Provide for a BYOB Liquor License

Alderman Evans moved for Council approval of Ordinance No OA-04-15, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13, Article 3 of the City of Country Club Hills City Code to Provide for a BYOB Liquor License. Alderman Lockett moved to table this item. Second to table - Alderman Davis. Roll Call Vote on Motion to Table as Follows

ROLL CALL VOTE 2 Ayes: Aldermen Lockett and Davis

3 Nays Aldermen Glispie, Evans and Spivey.

0 Absent:

Motion Fails.

Second on Original motion for approval of Ordinance Amendment - Alderman Glispie.
Discussion - Alderman Lockett inquired as to the issue of liability and management. Alderman Evans stated that the owner of Cooking Canvas, the establishment requesting a BYOB license, was in attendance. Ms. Drake stated that the BYOB would provide a device for additional traffic for her cooking classes. She stated that her business is a recreational cooking school. City Attorney, John Murphey explained that Richton Park has a similar BYOB ordinance for a cigar bar and no problems have been experienced to date. Roll Call Vote on Original Motion as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE 4 Ayes: Aldermen Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey.

1 Nays Alderman Lockett.

0 Absent:

Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of proceedings this date.

III. Public Works and Utilities

**Alderman Glispie,
Chairman**

(Committee Meeting TBA)

No Report

**IV. Economic Development, Planning, Zoning & Economic Development
(TBA)**

Alderman Spivey, Chairman

Alderman Spivey announced that a committee meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

**V. Insurance, Risk Management & Personnel Alderman Lockett, Chairman
(Committee Meeting TBA)**

No Report

VI. Special Committee Theater of the Whole

Alderman Lockett stated that Construction at the theater is approximately 75% complete with the new seating currently being installed.

Alderman Lockett moved to open the floor to the public. Second - Alderman Evans.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Izella Rogers, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and stated that the Council should do extensive research on the Land Bank issues before making any decisions.
- Antonia Agube, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and asked that Comcast not be the sole cable provider in Country Club Hills. Alderman Lockett suggested a fire stick and reminded everyone that he uses Magic Jack for his telephone service.
- Charles Hemphill, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and requested an update on the outlet mall.
- Clifton Graham, Country Club Hills, wanted to know if the BYOB license would then allow for video gaming, reminded everyone that the election for Cook County State's attorney is coming soon and he feels that the issue of 6.5 million dollars still needs to be addressed and he asked that the aldermen consider a fenced entry to Marylakes, Marycrest and Castle Dargan as he feels this is the upscale area of the community. He expressed concern regarding individuals fishing in the area..

Alderman Lockett moved that the floor be closed to the public. Second - Alderman Evans.
Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

9. Aldermen's Reports

- Alderman Davis replied to Clifton Graham by stating that he feels input would be needed from all of the residents regarding fenced entrances to Marylakes, Marycrest and Castle Dargan.
- Alderman Lockett thanked everyone for their attendance and reminded residents to be careful as the weather is still nice and children are outside playing and going to and from school.
- Alderman Glispie thanked Chief Jones and the Police Department for increased police presence, asked that sidewalks be used wherever available, and reminded everyone that branch pickup South of 183rd Street is October 17 and North of 183rd Street is October 24.
- Alderman Evans explained that the owner of Cooking Canvas has not yet been issued a BYOB license and referred the questions regarding the outlet mall to Alderman Spivey.
- Alderman Spivey thanked those that attended the 4th Ward meeting. He stated that Chief Jones had discussed public safety issues and that the streets are being completed as quickly as possible. He thanked the Country Club Hills media team and others for their attendance at the recent 100 Black Men of Chicago event.

Mayor Ford stated that anyone interested in an update on the outlet mall should speak to him after the meeting. He also stated that the Council authorized issuing fishing licenses and approved fishing rules for various waterways in Country Club Hills..

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Lockett. Second - Alderman Glispie. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote and hereby made a part of the original journal of proceedings this date.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28.

Respectfully submitted
Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk