CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
February 22, 2016

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 and City Treasurer, Argie Johnson-Martin. Attorney Jessie Outlaw served as parliamentarian.

3. **Journal of Proceedings**
   A. 1. Approval of Minutes -Administrative Meeting February 1, 2016
   2. Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting February 8, 2016

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of February 1, 2016 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 8, 2016. Second - Alderman Evans. Discussion -Alderman Lockett made a correction to his portion of the regular city council meeting minutes regarding the location of AARP tax assistance being in Homewood, not in Harvey. Motion to approve the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of February 1, 2016 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 8, 2016 (as correct Carried Via Voice Vote.

4. Communications and Reports by the Mayor:

Mayor Ford thanked those who produced and participated in the Black History program held at Hillcrest with special thanks to Perry Cavitt and Jo Ann Wade.

5**. City Collector's Report**

City Collector, Deborah McIlvain gave the collectors report for the month ending January 31, 2016 noted revenues in the amount of $,606,086.09.

6. City Clerk's Report

City Clerk, Deborah McIlvain, reminded everyone that requests for absentee ballot applications are available on-line and at the front counter at City Hall.

Prior to the committee reports, Mayor Ford offered condolences to Alderman Evans upon the loss of her father.

7. Committee Reports

I. Finance: Alderman Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting March 24, 2016 5:00 pm)

A. Approval of Vouchers -February 22, 2016

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of $627,418.78. Second - Alderman Lockett Discussion - It was explained that this included the A/P Disbursement Contracts, Expenses, Refunds, and Payroll and did not include the wire transfers for the theater. Alderman Davis stated that he did not receive the amended total which included theater wire transfers until 2 pm on Friday and that he felt this showed a lack of transparency and respect.

ROLL CALL VOTE 5 Ayes: Aldermen Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey.

0 Nays

0 Absent:

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

B. Approval - Resolution to Include Taxable Allowances as IMRF Earnings

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval Resolution No. R-03-16, a Resolution to Include Taxable Allowances as IMRF Earnings. Second - Alderman Lockett.. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE 5 Ayes: Aldermen Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey.

0 Nays

0 Absent:

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

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

No Report

III. Public Works and Utilities **Alderman Glispie, Chairman**

(Committee Meeting TBA)

No Report

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

No Report

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

Alderman Lockett stated that the City's insurance broker will be at the next administrative meeting to provide an update.

VI. Special Committee Theater of the Whole

Alderman Lockett stated that the new additional theater seating is in the process of 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:

· Leon Williams, Country Club Hills, stated that he was confused by the lack of committee

reports from Alderman Glispie and Alderman Spivey, that it is satisfying to fight for residents' issues, and that he felt the wire transfer issue was similar to problems seen in the previous administration regarding financial authorization limits.

Mayor Ford explained that the items he approved did not exceed his authorized approval amount of $15,000.

- Hosea Gray, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and commented on the Mayor approving the wire transfers for the theater, requested clarification as to Steven Amu continuing to be paid as project manager for the theater seating and stated that he still had questions regarding the lead content of the water meters and missing revenues.

Mayor Ford sreiterated that he had authority regarding the wire transfers.

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

9. Aldermen's Reports

- Alderman Davis stated that he was unaware of the "lead situation" and the water meters. He asked that Dan Barr address the issue. Dan Barr explained that the EPA changed the regulations and accepted levels of lead in water. Any change in meters or pipes must now meet the new requirements regarding brass composition. Alderman Lockett stated that the City's water is tested every day and is fine. Alderman Davis concluded by stating that he had not been made aware of the wire transfers early enough for him to review.
- Alderman Lockett congratulated the participants in the Black History program. He announced affordable college visits to Notre Dame on March 30 and University of Michigan on March 31. He offered his condolences to Alderman Evans. He concluded by stating that the City was running much better than it had in the past.
- Alderman Glispie stated that he would take Mr. Williams' complaint as constructive criticism and would provide reports when necessary.
- Alderman Evans stated that her Town Hall Meeting for Ward 3 is scheduled for March 3 at 7 pm. She thanked everyone for their support and wishes.
- Alderman Spivey offered his condolences to Alderman Evans. He stated that things are moving along regarding g the movie theater and that as things progress more information will be provided. He stated that he had reviewed storm damage in Ward 4 last week, that a shred event will be held on March 4 from 10 am to 1 pm and that the Economic Development team was working hard.
- City Treasurer, Argie Johnson-Martin explained that the her duties as treasurer included reviewing the City's financial situation, signing off on checks, and adhering to the guidelines, ordinances, and compiled statutes in an effort to move the City forward financially. She stated that she has not signed for items without proper documentation or needed available funds and reviewed all reansactions carefully.

Mayor Ford stated that the Council had not approved Octapharma Plasma nor had a proposed chicken slaughter business for Heritage Plaza been approved. He explained that staff and the Council are always acting in the best interests of the residents.. He also stated that the new McAllister Nursing Home Facility should be opening soon.

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 7:39

Respectfully submitted
Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk