

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
August 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, City Treasurer Argie Johnson-Martin, and City Attorney John Murphey Attorney Jessie Outlaw served as parliamentarian.

3. **Journal of Proceedings**

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Administrative Meeting - August 1, 2016

2. Regular City Council Meeting - August 8, 2016

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of August 1, 2016 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 8, 2016. Second - Alderman Evans. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of August 1, 2016 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of August 8, 2016 Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

A. Approval - Volunteer Commission Appointment - Calvin Wilson - Senior Commission

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the appointment of Calvin Wilson to the Senior Commission. Second - Alderman Davis. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote. Mr. Wilson introduced himself to the Council, stated he was a 20 year resident, was looking forward to giving back to the community and was proud to be named a member of the senior commission.

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B. Presentation - District 160 School Board and Educational Foundation Board

Freda McArthur, Educational Foundation Board President, encouraged participation in the Walk for Education to be held on Saturday, August 27 at Community Park. She encouraged collaboration between the City and the School District, the STEM concept and educational grants. Dr. Thomas stated that the School District appreciates the City's efforts and HR Director Ms. Miller encouraged participation in the Welcome Back to School All Star Starting Line up on Wednesday August 24, 2016 at 7:30 am. Mayor Ford announced that school back packs will be distributed at the pavilion by the alderman on Saturday at noon under the tent.

5. City Collector's Report

City Collector, Deborah McIlvain, gave the Collectors report for the month ending July 31, 2016 delineating revenues in the various funds.

6. City Clerk's Report

No Report

7. Committee Reports

**I. Finance: Alderman Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting August 18 2016 5:00 pm)**

A. Approval of Vouchers -August 22, 2016

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$633,160.42. Second - Alderman Lockett. Discussion - It was explained that this included Ap Contracts, Expenses, Refunds, Theater, Multi cultural Event, Payroll, Amusement Tax, Fire Damage and an additional voucher for Keslin Engineering.

ROLL CALL VOTE 3 Ayes: Aldermen Lockett, Glispie, and Spivey.
2 Nays Aldermen Davis and Evans

Alderman Davis cast a no vote for Bank Card Processing and for Co-op Marketing. Alderman Evans cast a no vote for Bank Card Processing.

0 Absent:

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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 September 8, 2016 at 5 pm.

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

Alderman Evans announced a committee meeting for Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 6 pm. Crime free housing, overnight parking and police training reimbursement will be on the agenda

III. Public Works and Utilities (Committee Meeting TBA) Alderman Glispie, Chairman

A. Approval - Bid Recommendation - South Elevated Water Storage Tank Painting.

Alderman Glispie moved for Council approval of the South Elevated Water Storage Tank Painting Bid to ERA Valdivia in the amount of \$256,000. It was explained that 4 bids had been received with the low bid, received from ERA Valdivia Contractors, of \$256,000 coming in below the estimated project cost of \$360,000. This company has also done work previously for the City.

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.

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

Alderman Spivey announced that the Marcus Theater renovation is progressing with an anticipated opening of October 14. An update will be provided on the City's website. Mayor

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Ford stated that the theater will be hosting their job fairs here at City Hall.

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

No Report

VI. Special Committee Theater of the Whole

Alderman Lockett stated that the theater's last show for the season is on Saturday. Those interested should purchase their tickets as soon as possible.

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

The following individuals address the Council

- Nancy Switzer, Country Club Hills stated that the calendar is better on the website, asked when approved minutes are available, stated to School District 160 that the arts should be put back into school programs, inquired as to a Veteran's Memorial Brick she had purchased 13-15 years ago, and asked for clarification of the acronym "AP."
- Charles Hartfield, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and stated that the pavement on 183rd near Crawford is in disrepair and complimented the Mayor and Council for a job well done.
- Leon Williams, Country Club Hills, inquired as to the promised transparency regarding the operation of the theater, theater credit card purchases, review of artists' riders, approval of theater commissioners, and payment for securing BMOA sponsorship. Mayor Ford explained that the BMOA sponsorship had to be secured through Flowers Communications and explained the process for commissioner appointments.

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 \$200,000 in CDBG monies were being used for street repairs in the 5th Ward and other areas of the City, that the City Council needs to be made aware of, and become more involved in the final decisions regarding South Comm and E-Com possibilities for 911 and that the \$30,000 for the hotel was for 3 separate dates, but still excessive. It was explained that the dispatch matter was on the table now. John Murphey and Chief Agpaawa explained that this has been a 2 year process and that an intergovernmental agreement has been received from E-Com to the 911 ETSB. Alderman Davis concluded by stating that the number of theater commissioners

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- had been reduced and not all of the members had been retained.
- Alderman Lockett reminded all that school bags would be distributed on August 27 at noon, thanked all who had participated in the parade and back to school events despite the rain, explained that the recent violent crime offender had turned himself in to the police department and that the United States has done exceptionally well at the Olympics.
- Alderman Glispie stated that the Marcus theater is scheduled to open the 2 nd week in October. He stated that all residents, homeowners and renters should take pride in their residence and help make a more beautiful community.
- Alderman Evans stated that more information is forthcoming at the Law and Ordinance Committee meeting regarding rental properties. The Housing Authority is preparing new Welcome Booklets, overnight parking will be addressed and reimbursement of training expenses will be considered. She explained that maps are now available on the website and that she had voted against the credit card because it was a theater related issue and that she also felt local hotels should be used for the artists.
- Alderman Spivey stated that he will participate in District160's back to school event, that he was hosting a 4th Ward picnic on Saturday August 27 at Wulf Park, and that he agreed with the use of local hotels .

Mayor Ford reminded all that backpacks will be distributed from 12 - 2 under the tent on Saturday August 27. He said the City is happy to be participating in the start of the new school year and that Windsor Estates has officially opened with all residents moved to the new facility.

It was announced that federal funding is available for homeowners in need of financial assistance and also for those current with their mortgage. Alderman Lockett reminded everyone that CEDA assistance is available for utility bills.

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 7:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk