

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
May 8, 2017**

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.

Judge Stuttley served as parliamentarian.

2a Invocation - the invocation was given.

3. **Journal of Proceedings**

A. Approval of Minutes -

- 1. Administrative Meeting - April 17, 2017**
- 2. Regular City Council Meeting - April 24, 2017**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of April 17, 2017 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 24, 2017. Second - Alderman Glispie Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of April 17, 2017 and the minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of April 24, 2017 Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

A. Swearing in of Newly Elected Officials

Judge Stuttley administered the oath of office to Park District Commissioners Jennifer Braum-Denton and Delores Hollins. Mayor Ford announced that the aldermen will be sworn in at the conclusion of the meeting

5. City Treasurer's Report

City Treasurer, Argie Johnson-Martin congratulated all of the newly elected officials. She stated that she has found the position of City Treasurer to be interesting and informative but different than expectations. She explained that she has a background in accounting and had hoped to bring about changes in the treasurer's responsibilities. She concluded by providing the bank balancers as of May 8, 2017 and stating that as of March 31, 2017, revenues had exceeded expenses for fiscal year 2016-2017.

6. City Clerk's Report

City Clerk, Deborah McIlvain, wished everyone a Happy Mother's Day.

7. Committee Reports

**I. Finance: Alderman Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting May 18, 2017 5 pm)**

A. Approval of Vouchers - May 8, 2017

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,451,576.54. Second - Alderman Lockett. Discussion - Alderman Davis explained that this included AP Contracts, Expenses, Refunds, Payroll, Ingalls Memorial Hospital, Theater Wires for Boney James, Melanie Fiona and the Average White Band. He stated that the dollar amount contained several bond payments and a reduction of \$145.00 from expenses for Alderman Evans.

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, Lay Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget on the Table

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval to lay the draft budget for fiscal year 2017-2018 on the Table. Second - Alderman Lockett. Discussion - it was explained that draft copy is available on the City's website, at City Hall and the public hearing will be held on May

22, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

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.

Alderman Lockett reminded everyone of the finance committee meeting scheduled for May 18, 2017 at 5 pm.

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

No Report

III. Public Works and Utilities (Committee Meeting May 15, 2017 5 pm) **Alderman Glispie, Chairman**

No Report

IV. Economic Development, Planning, Zoning & Economic Development
Alderman Spivey, Chairman (TBA)

No Report

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

No Report

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

The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Darlene Moore, Country Club Hills, requested clarification as to who in the City was in charge of the finances if it is not the City Treasurer.

- Leora Bell, Country Club Hills, reminded everyone of a statement she had made previously as to the differentiation between economic development and corporate welfare. She stated that members of the City Council were unable to answer questions regarding the percentage of abatement to Tucker Development. She stated that objections were raised to a possible Economic Development Manager and possible “croneyism” but that she felt that the City could not afford to be without a n economic development director..
- Renee McCarrol, Country Club Hills, and requested clarification regarding tickets and compliance in regards to the building department.
- Hosea Gray, Country Club Hills, stated that the citizens should bot have to bear the burden for tax abatements for Tucker Development, Windsor Estates and for sales tax abatements.

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

Jude Michael Stuttley administered the Oath of Office to Edwards Glispie, Ward 1 Alderman; Vincent Lockett, Ward 2 Alderman, Lisa Evans, Edward 3 Alderman, Ricardo Spivey, Ward 4 Alderman and Anthony Davis, Ward 5 Alderman.

9. Aldermen’s Reports

There were no Aldermen’s reports this evening.

Mayor Ford stated that he was looking forward to everyone working together to move the City forward.

- 10.** Alderman Lockett moved for Council to adjourn to executive session for discussion under Section 2 (c) (1) Personnel and 2(c) (6) Sale or lease of Real Estate. Second - Adleman Glispie. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:41.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk