

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
July 10 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 7:04 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.

3. **Journal of Proceedings**

**A. Approval of Minutes -**

**1. Regular City Council Meeting - June 26, 2017**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 26, 2017. Second - Alderman Glispie. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of June 26, 2017 Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

Mayor Ford announced that there are employment positions at the MWRD and at Harvey's Corner. Anyone seeking additional details should contact the Mayor.

**A. Approval - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13 of the Country Club Hills City Code**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of Ordinance Amendment No OA-08-17, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13 of the Country Club Hills City Code. Second - Alderman Glispie. Discussion - Alderman Evans requested clarification as to whether this would alter the hours of liquor service and operation of the current holders of the BYOB and Class E licenses. City Attorney John Murphey explained that the ordinance amendment could be amended to include language that those current license holders (prior to September 1, 2017) would be not be affected and ould only apply to those issued after September 1, 2017. Alderman Lockett

moved for Council approval OA-08-17 as amended. Second - Alderman Glispie.

**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.**

**5. City Treasurer's Report**

City Treasurer, Argie Johnson-Martin gave the Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31 citing bank balances as of July 10, 2017, stating that revenues had exceeded expenses for the first month of the new fiscal year, and indicating that she felt the FY 2017 financial reporting has a material weakness regarding internal control..

**6. City Clerk's Report**

City Clerk Deborah McIlvain, reminded everyone of the City wide garage sale to be held on August 5, 2017. Those interested in participating can call City Hall and have their addresses added to the master list.

**7. Committee Reports**

**I. Finance: Alderman Lockett, Chairman  
(Committee Meeting July 20, 2017 5 pm)**

**A. Approval of Vouchers - July 10, 2017**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,027,404.77. Second - Alderman Glispie. 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 Glispie, Chairman**

No Report

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

Alderman Dais cited work needed on the flowerbed at 187<sup>th</sup> and Cicero and weeds near the back yards of 186<sup>th</sup> and 187<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Ford stated that these issues had been, or were in the process of, being resolved.0001

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

Alderman Spivey announced that China Star Restaurant was permanently closed.

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

Alderman Evans announced that a committee meeting had been held where open enrollment had been reviewed. She stated that future meetings will discuss the City's property and casualty insurance and future employee benefit programs..

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

The following individuals addressed the Council:

- Leora Bell, Country Club Hills, requested that she be notified of any upcoming Law, Ordinance and Government Operations Committee meetings, inquired as to the methods of enforcement that will be used for the new liquor hours classifications and suggested that the Atrium should have ben given Class A liquor license.
- Harry William Jones, Jr., Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and stated that Alderman Glispie had spoken in error when he (Glispie) stated that Jones was angry because he had lost the election. He stated that he was not angry, but

rather disappointed, that he had seen his goals of term limits (although he would have limited it to 2 terms) and concluded by stating that the majority of the Council acted as “bobble heads” with the exception of Aldermen Davis and Evans. Mayor Ford suggested that a more civil tone ensue.

Shaneka Dyson, Atrium Banquets, inquired as to when a sign copy of the ordinance amendment would be available. City Attorney, John Murphey stated that a copy would be provided sometime tomorrow.

Robert Williams, Country Club Hills, stated that he was concerned regarding the fireworks activity in his neighborhood and wanted to know what additional efforts could be extended in the future.

Mayor Ford stated that the excessive fireworks had escalated into a real issue this Fourth of July and that efforts would be undertaken to curtail their usage.

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 services will be held for Gerry Cleggett (a 31 year resident) on Saturday July 15 at the Gatling Funeral Home beginning at 4 pm. He also announced that the Cornerstone Christian Church will be hosting their food pantry on July 29 from 12 pm to 4 pm.

Alderman Lockett reminded everyone that the City wide garage sale will be held on August 5 from 8 am to 3 pm.

Alderman Glispie replied to Harry Williams Jones, Jr. by stating that Mr. Jones still seemed to be angry and that anger does not help the situation.

Alderman Evans stated that she had also experienced fireworks issues in her neighborhood and was concerned about the response time by the Police that evening. She also questioned the work habits of a CSO. She concluded by encouraging those interested to read fully the MWRD employment descriptions as the term “analyst” does not always have the same definition.

Alderman Spivey stated that he recently held a 4<sup>th</sup> Ward meeting and expressed thanks to Eric DiSanto for his attendance at the meeting.

Mayor Ford stated the City wide picnic will be Saturday July 15 at Community Park. Ms Dyson offered to provide a bounce-house for the event.

**10.** 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 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk