

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING**

**Monday, January 11, 2010
7 P.M.
AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order** **Dwight W. Welch, Mayor**
- 1a. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call:** **Deborah McIlvain, City Clerk**
- 2a. Invocation**
- 3. Journal of Proceedings:**
 - A. Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting - December 14, 2009**
- 4. Communications and Reports by the Mayor:**
 - A. Proclamation - January 2010 as South Suburban PADS Awareness Month**
 - B. Approval of Commission Appointments**
 - 1. Cicely Ray - Economic Development Commission (ex-officio)**
 - 2. Sherry Smith Glover - Environmental Commission**
 - 3. Eric Booker - Public Access Cable Commission**
 - 4. Yolanda Booker - Cultural Arts Commission**
 - 5. Sandra Jenkins - Chairman - Cultural Arts Commission**
 - 6. Jannie Sanders - Chairman - Senior Commission**
- 5. City Clerk's Report**
- 6. Committee Reports**
 - I. Finance Committee:** **Alderman Ford, Chairman**
(Committee Meeting January 21, 2010 6:30)
 - A. Approval of an Ordinance Abating the City's 2009 Levy as to a Parcel of Property Commonly Referred to as the Wal-Mart Property**

- II. Law, Ordinance & Government Alderman Martin, Chairman
(Committee Meeting February 8, 2010 6:00 pm)**

- III. Public Works and Utilities: Alderman Battie, Chairman
(Committee Meeting February 1, 2010 6:30 pm)**

- IV. Economic Development Alderman Hutson, Chairman
(Committee Meeting February 3, 2010 6:00 pm)**

- V. Planning, Zoning & Development: Alderman Lockett, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 12, 2010 7:00 pm)**

- VI. Insurance & Risk Management: Alderman Comein, Chairman
(Committee Meeting February 4, 2010 5:00 pm)**

- VII. Community & Park Activities: Alderman Singleton, Chairman
(Committee Meeting February 2, 2010 7:00 pm)**

- VIII. Contract Compliance Alderman Lee, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 12, 2010 6:30 pm)**

- IX. Special Committee - Alderman Williams, Chairman
 Schools and Education
(Committee Meeting January 14, 2010 5:00 pm)**

- 7. Alderman Reports**

- 8. Adjournment**

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
December 14, 2009**

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 Alderman Tyrone Hutson.

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

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

Aldermen Hutson, Lee, Comein, Lockett, Martin, Williams, Ford, and Burris, constituting a quorum of the City Council.

Also present were: Deborah McIlvain, City Clerk; City Treasurer, Michael Gleason and Henrietta Turner, City Manager.

Absent were: Mayor Dwight Welch, Aldermen Battie and Singleton.

2a. Invocation - The invocation was given by Pastor Roberson, Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Alderman Comein moved for Council approval of the appointment of Alderman Tyrone Hutson as Mayor Pro Temp. Second - Alderman Lee. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

A. Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting, November 23 2009

B. Approval of Minutes - Administrative Meeting - December 7, 2009

Alderman Lee moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of November 23, 2009 and the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of December 7, 2009. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 23, 2009 and the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of December 7, 2009 Carried Via Voice Vote.

4. Communications and Reports By the Mayor:

A. Proclamation - December 2009 as National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month

Alderman Lee moved for Council approval proclaiming December 2009 as National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

B. Approval of Appointment of Deborah McIlvain as Freedom of Information Officer

Alderman Lee moved for Council approval of the appointment of Deborah McIlvain as Freedom of Information Officer. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - City Manager, Henrietta Turner explained that the new law requires an official appointment, that the City Clerk has held this responsibility for the past ten years and that there is no additional compensation involved. City Attorney, John Murphey will be at the administrative meeting of January 4, 2010 to explain the changes to the act. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote

C. Presentation - United Way - James Washington

James Washington of United Way was introduced. He explained the importance of the various services offered by United Way, especially during the current economic situation. United Way assists on all economic and educational levels and provides time, money and advocacy throughout the South and Southwest suburbs. The main office is located in Crestwood. He encouraged everyone to donate their time or money to United Way. Mayor Pro Temp Hutson presented Mr. Washington with a personal check as a donation and encouraged his fellow aldermen to contribute also.

5. City Clerk's Report

No Report

6. Committee Reports

**I. Finance: Alderman Ford, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 21, 2010 6:30 pm)**

A. Approval of Vouchers

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,019,568.91. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - Alderman Ford explained that the vouchers for Two Brothers, Urban GIS, and Golden Oak Landscaping were being held for further discussion and clarification.

ROLL CALL VOTE 6 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Lee, Comein, Martin, Williams and Ford.

3 Nays: Aldermen Lee, Lockett and Burris.

Alderman Lee cast a no vote for Covermaster, Haywood, Prostar and Room Service Catering. Alderman Lockett cast a no vote for A & J Rehab, Classic Party Rental, Coca-Cola, ComEd, Covermaster, Daktronis, Diamond Lake Lighting, Direct TV, Eric Engelmann, Golden Oak Landscaping and Prostar. Alderman Burris cast a no vote for Daktronics and Diamond Lake Lighting.

2 Absent: Aldermen Battie and Singleton.

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

B. Approval of an Ordinance Providing for the Levy, Assessments and Collection of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2009 and Ending April 30, 2010

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of Ordinance No. O-17 -09, an Ordinance Providing for the Levy, Assessments and Collection of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2009 and Ending April 30, 2010. Second - Alderman Lee. Discussion - it was explained that this represents a zero increase in the levy (as the rate the previous fiscal year was 4.4%.) Alderman Burris stated that the property tax levy increased from 13 million to 16 million in 2007. Alderman Ford explained that the planning for the new budget will begin in March.

ROLL CALL VOTE 6 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Lee, Comein, Martin, Williams, and Ford.

2 Nays: Aldermen Lockett and Burris

2 Absent: Aldermen Battie and Singleton.

**II. Law, Ordinance and Government: Alderman Martin, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 11, 2010 6:00 pm)**

No Report

**II. Public Works and Utilities Alderman Battie, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 4, 2010 6:30 pm)**

No Report

**IV. Economic Development Alderman Hutson, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 6, 2010 7:00 pm)**

No Report

**V. Planning, Zoning and Development Alderman Lockett Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 12, 2010 7:00 pm)**

**VI. Insurance and Risk Management Alderman Comein, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 7, 2010 5:00 pm)**

No Report

**VII. Community and Park Activities Alderman Singleton, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 5, 2010 7:00 pm)**

Alderman Singleton announced that registration for high school age basketball is now being accepted.

**VIII. Contract Compliance Alderman Lee, Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 12, 2010 6:30 pm)**

No Report

**IX. Special Committee - Schools & Education Alderman Williams,
Chairman
(Committee Meeting January 14, 2010 5:00 pm)**

Alderman Williams reported that the teachers strike in District 144 has ended.

7. Aldermen's Reports

Alderman Lockett wished everyone happy holidays and suggested that the maintenance of the Budweiser tent should be funded through grants.

Alderman Martin wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He asked that everyone remember the troops and reminded parents that they should be involved in their children's schools.

Alderman Lee wished everyone a Happy Holiday filled with peace and joy and reminded everyone that little things make a difference and that family is important.

Alderman Lockett reminded everyone that text messaging while driving will be against the law beginning January 1, 2010.

Alderman Ford wished everyone a Happy Holiday and a Safe New Year. He thanked everyone for their support of the youth mentoring program.

Alderman Comein wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and reminded everyone to be safe while traveling and to not drink and drive.

Alderman Williams wished everyone Happy Holidays and reminded residents to take advantage of the tremendous opportunities in the City.

Alderman Burris reminded everyone of the water rate increase taking effect January 1, 2010 and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Alderman Hutsoin wished everyone a Happy and safe holiday season.

Alderman Williams moved that the floor be opened to the public. Second - Alderman Lee.
Discussion - none. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

The following individual addressed the Council:

Ralph Tolbert, 17750 Winston Drive addressed the Council and stated that he had moved here in 1988 because of the ability to participate in government and to be heard and that to not be able to do so would be wrong.

Alderman Ford moved that the floor be closed to the public. Second - Alderman Lee.

Discussion - none. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Lee. Second - Alderman Comein.

Motion Carried Via Voice Vote and hereby made a part of the original journal of proceedings this date.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk

Meeting taped by the Cable Commission

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS 20 years ago over 200 residents from City of Country Club Hills and municipalities throughout the Southlands had the foresight to create the organization; South Suburban PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter), a community wide response to the growing numbers of individuals and families grappling with the issue of homelessness, and;

WHEREAS the dedicated founders developed an emergency overnight shelter system which emphasizes hospitality, respect, dignity and the empowerment of each person receiving services, and; PADS has delivered over 295,000 nights of shelter and more than 910,000 meals through the efforts of 10,222 volunteers who serve over 60,000 hours each year, and;

WHEREAS the PADS organization provides year-round emergency housing for 1,200 men, women and children through a network of 29 participating host Faith Communities, 250 supporting Faith Communities and the services of 4,000 volunteers, and;

WHEREAS PADS currently operates two (2) PADS Daytime support centers which provide employment readiness, case management, mental health and addiction services through unique programs and community partnerships, and;

WHEREAS PADS has created the Homeless Healthcare Network, which provides medical services in free clinic settings for 850 people annually; the Homeless Prevention Program which distributes emergency funds to support community residents fighting to maintain their homes, and;

WHEREAS the PADS continuum of services includes the Interim Housing Program, Project WIN (Wellness Initiative Network), Project WISH (Wellness Initiative through Supportive Housing), Families First and the Rapid Re-Housing Program, programs designed to transition people from homelessness to permanent housing, and;

WHEREAS throughout the United States, communities continue to struggle with economic challenges and PADS involvement in local, county, state and national efforts to bring an end to homelessness is crucial to the residents of the Southland. Now, therefore,

COUNTRY
The **CITY** of **CLUB HILLS** hereby recognizes South Suburban PADS 20 seasons of service by **PROCLAIMING** the month of January 2010 as South Suburban PADS Awareness Month (and asks its residents to support the organization's efforts to continue serving the community by working to bring about an end to homelessness.)

Signed _____ Date _____
Mayor

Seal

6:00



City Of Country Club Hills Commission Volunteer Application



Please complete this application,
attach a resume and
deliver to City Hall or mail to:
Mayor Dwight W. Welch
City Hall
4200 W. 183rd Street
Country Club Hills, IL 60478

Date Submitted: 12/12/08

First Name Cicely Last Name Ray

Address 18950 CEDAR AVE Home Phone _____

Email Address _____ Work Phone _____

Cell Phone(optional) _____ Type of Work Leasing Coordinator

Previous Volunteer Service CASA Dates of Service 9/05 - 12/06

_____ N/A Dates of Service N/A

Previous Commission Service N/A Dates of Service N/A

Commission Preference (circle choice/s)

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 911 | <input type="checkbox"/> *E.S.D.A. | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Access Cable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blood & Organ Donor | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire & Police | <input type="checkbox"/> *S.A.L.T. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> *Fire or Police Cadet | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizen |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Fish | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Plan | |

*Applications forwarded to Police Department for approval.

Please write a brief paragraph describing why you wish to volunteer.

I wish to volunteer so that I can give something back to my community. There is a great deal of satisfaction that comes from making a difference. I can assist in creating change in areas that are important, I get to build new skills, meet new people from diverse backgrounds and add variety to my work experience. I feel that community involvement is one of the best ways to feel connected to your community.

List Educational/Volunteer highlights Volunteering for any organization is a satisfying activity from regular daily activities. For me being a CASA volunteer gave me the skills and knowledge to help an abused or neglected child.

Current Membership in other Volunteer Organizations

- N/A
- N/A
- N/A



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Country Club Hills, IL 60478

Date Submitted: 10/17/09

First Name Sherry Last Name Smith Glover

Address 17485 Park Lane Home Phone _____

Email Address _____ Work Phone _____

Cell Phone(optional) _____ Type of Work _____

Previous Volunteer Service _____ Dates of Service _____

_____ Dates of Service _____

Previous Commission Service _____ Dates of Service _____

Commission Preference (circle choice(s))

Blood & Organ Donor

Cultural Arts

Economic Development

Environmental

Electrical

*E.S.D.A.

Fire & Police

*Fire or Police Cadet

Fish

Historic

Housing Authority

Plan

Public Access Cable

*S.A.L.T.

Senior Citizen

Youth

Veterans

Zoning Board of Appeals

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Please write a brief paragraph describing why you wish to volunteer.

Because I like to help out any way possible

List Educational/Volunteer highlights Order of Eastern stars

Current Membership in other Volunteer Organizations

1. Eastern Stars 2. _____ 3. _____



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Date Submitted: 10/17/09

First Name Eric Last Name Booker

Address 4101 Clarence Ave. Home Phone () () ()

Email Address [redacted] Work Phone () () ()

Cell Phone(optional) (312) 231-4100 Type of Work School Administrator / Film/Video Editor

Previous Volunteer Service N/A Dates of Service _____

_____ Dates of Service _____

Previous Commission Service N/A Dates of Service _____

Commission Preference (circle choice/s)

- | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Blood & Organ Donor | Fire & Police | <u>Public Access Cable</u> |
| Cultural Arts | *Fire or Police Cadet | *S.A.L.T. |
| Economic Development | Fish | Senior Citizen |
| Environmental | Historic | Youth |
| Electrical | Housing Authority | Veterans |
| *E.S.D.A. | Plan | Zoning Board of Appeals |

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Please write a brief paragraph describing why you wish to volunteer.

Video Production is my passion, and I feel with my industry experience and expertise, I could enhance our "look" and presentation.

List Educational/Volunteer highlights Currently, I am a private school administrator (K-12) in Chicago, IL.

Current Membership in other Volunteer Organizations

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

6:40



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Date Submitted: 10/11/09

First Name Yolanda Last Name Booker

Address 4101 Clarence Avenue Home Phone _____

Email Address _____ Work Phone _____

Cell Phone(optional) _____ Type of Work office manager

Previous Volunteer Service _____ Dates of Service _____

_____ Dates of Service _____

Previous Commission Service _____ Dates of Service _____

Commission Preference (circle choice/s)

~~Blood & Organ Donor~~

Fire & Police

Public Access Cable

Cultural Arts

*Fire or Police Cadet

*S.A.L.T.

Economic Development

Fish

Senior Citizen

Environmental

Historic

Youth

Electrical

Housing Authority

Veterans

*E.S.D.A.

Plan

Zoning Board of Appeals

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Please write a brief paragraph describing why you wish to volunteer.

I was appointed to the cultural arts commission a few years ago, but never made contact with the person in charge. (OVER)

List Educational/Volunteer highlights _____

Current Membership in other Volunteer Organizations

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE CITY'S 2009 LEVY
AS TO A PARCEL OF PROPERTY COMMONLY
REFERRED TO AS THE WAL-MART PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the City of Country Club Hills is a home rule unit of government; and

WHEREAS, as a home rule unit of local government, the City may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government except as limited by Article VII, Section 6; and

WHEREAS, the City has entered into an Economic Incentive Agreement with Wal-Mart Corporation, pursuant to which the City is to abate 50% of its property tax levy against the Wal-Mart properties; and

WHEREAS, the current tax year is the third year of the ten year abatement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS HOME RULE POWERS, as follows:

Section 1: **Abatement.** The City of Country Club Hills 2009 tax levy is hereby abated as to the following parcel of property, identified by its Permanent Tax Index Number: 28-27-201-006-0000.

Section 2: **Filing.** The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a certified copy of this Ordinance to be filed in the Office of the Cook County Clerk Tax Extension Department.

Section 3: **Home Rule.** This ordinance and each of its terms shall be the effective legislative act of a home rule municipality without regard to whether such ordinance should (a)

contain terms contrary to the provisions of current or subsequent non-preemptive state law, or (b) legislate in a manner or regarding a matter not delegated to municipalities by state law. It is the intent of the corporate authorities of the City of Country Club Hills that to the extent of the terms of this ordinance should be inconsistent with any non-preemptive state law, that this ordinance shall supersede state law in that regard within its jurisdiction.

Section 4: **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE this ___ day of _____, 2009.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2009.

DWIGHT W. WELCH, Mayor

ATTEST:

DEBORAH McILVAIN, City Clerk