

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Monday, August 11, 2008**

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 Dwight W. Welch, Mayor.

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

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

Aldermen Watts, Lee, Battie, Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin, and Ford constituting a quorum of the City Council.

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

Absent were: Aldermen Hutson and Williams.

- 2a. Invocation - The invocation was given by Pastor Richards, Hazel Crest Assembly Church. Mayor Welch displayed photos of Bernie Mac and Isaac Hayes. Both entertainers passed away within the past few days and the photographs will be displayed in the lobby of City Hall. A prayer was offered by Pastor Richards.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

- A. **Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting, July 28, 2008**
 - B. **Approval of Minutes - Administrative Meeting - August 4, 2008**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of July 28, 2008 and approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of August 4, 2008. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 28, 2008 and the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of August 4, 2008 Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

Mayor Welch stated that he and the City Manager had attended a luncheon hosted by the Governor featuring topics such as the capital plan, revenue streaming and the gaming plan. He

explained the severity of the state budget situation and the monetary effect it is having on schools, municipalities and the State's infrastructure.

Mayor Welch announced that the Back to School Parade will be held on Saturday, September 6, 2008. The focus will be youth and the Army may be sending an Apache helicopter along with other activities of interest to young people.

A. Presentation - School District 160

Dr. Earline Scott, Superintendent of School District 160 was introduced. She introduced the Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Jones. Dr. Scott thanked the City Council Special Committee on Schools and Education for their implementation of support systems for the new school year. She also thanked Aldermen Watts and Ford for their efforts with the youth mentoring program and for the Chicago Area Youth Project participants who assisted with school preparation and clean up for the new school year. She announced the hours of registration, the dates and hours for each school's annual open house and reminded everyone that the parent calendar is available on the school district's website.

Mayor Welch announced that the Palomino travelling youth baseball team had received a trophy in the recent tournament. He displayed the trophy and congratulated the team and their Coach, Alderman Hutson, for their achievements.

Mayor Welch stated that the reverse 9111 system was implemented successfully in notifying the City's residents regarding the branch pick up for storm damage and debris. He also thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their excellent response to an incident involving electrical and gas lines on Pulaski Avenue.

5. City Clerk's Report

No Report

6. Committee Reports

I. Finance: Alderman Watts, Chairman

A. Approval of Vouchers

Alderman Watts moved for the approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,157,603.75. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - Alderman Watts explained that \$9,021.54 of the total dollar amount represents payroll disbursements and \$43,531.40 represents vendor payouts.

ROLL CALL VOTE 8 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Lee, Battie, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, and Ford.

0 Nays

2 Absent Aldermen Hutson and Williams.

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

VI. Insurance and Risk Management Alderman Comein, Chairman

No Report

VII. Community and Park Activities Alderman Singleton, Chairman

Alderman Singleton announced that registration is currently being accepted for the flag football program.

VIII. Contract Compliance Alderman Martin, Chairman

No Report

**IX. Special Committee - Schools & Education Alderman Williams,
Chairman**

7. Aldermen's Reports

Alderman Ford stated that the meeting held this past Saturday for the female youth mentoring program was very successful. He encouraged his fellow aldermen to become involved.

Alderman Lockett commended Aldermen Ford and Watts for their efforts with the youth mentoring programs. He congratulated the Jaguars for placing 3rd in the conference and offered condolences to the Williams family at 177th and Sycamore.

Alderman Lee stated that she had attended the youth mentoring meeting on Saturday and was pleased with the attendance.

Alderman Watts requested that a Finance Committee meeting be posted for Saturday, August 16 at 12:30 pm.

Alderman Martin offered congratulations on the success of the youth mentoring program.

Mayor Welch stated that the City hopes to offer lock-ins at both Southwood School and Nob Hill School in conjunction with the Youth Commission. It is anticipated that the City will provide transportation for those young people participating.

Mayor Welch stated that a Public Service Announcement will be seen on the City's cable television station reminding residents of the curfew hours. A comprehensive effort will be made in conjunction with the schools to provide peer adjudication, mentoring, etiquette, games and ballroom dance instructions.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk

Meeting taped by the Cable Commission