

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
Monday, November 24, 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, Hutson, Battie, Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams and Ford constituting a quorum of the City Council.

Also present were: Deborah McIlvain, City Clerk, and Henrietta Turner, City Manager.

Absent was: Alderman Lee.

- 2a. Invocation - The invocation was given by Alderman Thomas Comein.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

- A. **Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting, November 10, 2008**

- B. **Approval of Minutes - Administrative Meeting - November 17, 2008**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of November 10, 2008 and for approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of November 17, 2008. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 10, 2008 and the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of November 17, 2008 Carried Via Voice Vote.

Mayor Welch stated that letters of thanks were received from US Army personnel thanking the City and the Veterans Commission for care packages that were sent to them.

Mayor Welch announced that the Hazel Crest Assembly Church is hosting a Christmas program on December 13, 2008.

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

- A. Businesses of the Month**
- 1. Better Built Lumber**
  - 2. Capital Pet, Inc.**
  - 3. AMC/Loews Country Club Hills Theatre**

None of the businesses were able to attend the meeting.

- B. Approval of Commission Appointments**
- 1. Marilla Peppers - Chairman , Senior Commission**
  - 2. Jerry Anthony - Veterans Commission**
  - 3. Van Mitchell - Veterans Commission**
  - 4. Eric Minor - Zoning Board of Appeals**

Alderman Watts moved for Council of the appointment of Marilla Peppers, Chairman Senior Commission, Jerry Anthony, Veterans Commission, Van Mitchell, Veterans Commission and Eric Minor to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Second - Alderman Martin. Discussion - none. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote. Mr. Anthony, Mr. Mitchell, and Mr. Minor introduced themselves to the City Council and stated they were looking forward to the opportunity to serve on these commissions.

**C. Approval of Resolution in Support of Howe Development Center and Tinley Park Mental Health Center**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of Resolution No. R-18-08, a Resolution in Support of Howe Development Center and Tinley Park Mental Health Center. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this resolution, along with resolutions from other municipalities, would be presented to State of Illinois elected officials.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**      9 Ayes:      Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie,  
Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin,  
Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent      Alderman Lee

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

**D. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Lease Agreement By and Between Country Club Hills School District No. 160 and City of Country Club Hills for Certain Premises Owned by School District No. 160 and Bill of Sale for Module Units**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of Resolution No. R-19-08, a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Lease Agreement By and Between Country Club Hills School District No. 160 and City of Country Club Hills for Certain Premises Owned by School District No. 160 and Bill of Sale for Module Units. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this item was discussed at the Administrative meeting and would allow for the use of the module units currently located at Southwood School for a period of ten years in exchange for the forgiveness of a \$10,000 outstanding water bill. The units are being utilized for the mentoring program, the music program and for additional office space for the police department.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**            9 Ayes:       Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie,  
Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin,  
Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent       Alderman Lee

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

**E. Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Country Club Hills School District No. 160 Providing for a Community Service Officer**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of Resolution No R-20-08 a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Country Club Hills School District No. 160 Providing for a Community Service Officer. Second - Alderman Singleton. Discussion - It was explained that this item had been discussed at the Administrative Meeting and would provide for a Community Service Officer at Southwood School between the hours of 7 am and 3 pm.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**            9 Ayes:       Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie,  
Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin,  
Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

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

**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 \$1,057,601.46.  
Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**      5 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Battie, Comein  
Martin, and Williams.

4 Nays Alderman Hutson, Singleton, Lockett, and  
Ford.

Alderman Hutson cast a no vote for Angels Girls Basketball, Illinois Jaguars, and Rich Central Booster, Alderman Singleton cast a no vote for Angels Basketball, Illinois Jaguars, Knights of Columbus, and Rich Central Booster, Alderman Lockett Cast a no vote for Angels Basketball, Illinois Jaguars, Knights of Columbus and Rich Central Booster, and Alderman Ford cast a no vote for Emergency Communications, George's Landscaping, IDOT, and Property Care Management..

1 Absent Alderman Lee.

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

**II. Law, Ordinance and Government: Alderman Ford, Chairman**

No Report

**III. Public Works and Utilities Alderman Battie, Chairman**

**A. Approval of Bid for 2008 Streetlight Installation Program**

Alderman Battie moved for Council approval to award the bid for the 2008 Streetlight Installation Program to Edward Electric Company in the amount of \$48,620.00. Second - Alderman Martin. Discussion - Alderman Battie explained that revised bids were negotiated and received for the 2008 streetlight installation program. The budgeted amount was \$55,000 and a negotiated revised bid in the amount of \$48,620.00 was received from the Edward Electric Company. This item was discussed at the Administrative Meeting.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**      9 Ayes:      Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie,  
Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin,  
Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent      Alderman Lee

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

**IV. Economic Development Alderman Hutson, Chairman**

No Report

**V. Planning, Zoning and Development Alderman Lockett Chairman**

**A. Approval of an Ordinance Rezoning Certain Property Generally Bounded by 167<sup>th</sup> Street on the North and Interstate 80 (I-80) and 175<sup>th</sup> Street on the South, Commonly Known as Parcel 2 ("Prime/Gatling Subdivision")**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of Ordinance No-18-08, an Ordinance Rezoning Certain Property Generally Bounded by 167<sup>th</sup> Street on the North and Interstate 80 (I-80) and 175<sup>th</sup> Street on the South, Commonly Known as Parcel 2 ("Prime/Gatling Subdivision"). Second - Alderman Watts. Discussion - It was explained that a Public Hearing was held on

November 11, 2008 and that it was the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals that this item be sent to the full Council for approval. This will allow for future commercial development at 167<sup>th</sup> and Cicero/Crawford on the additional properties not yet zoned C-5.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**      9 Ayes:      Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie,  
Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin,  
Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent      Alderman Lee

**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 stated that residents should check the holiday schedule for the CRC.

**VIII. Contract Compliance**      **Alderman Martin, Chairman**

No Report

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

Alderman Williams Stated that a meeting will be held with School District 160 regarding a possible charter school.

## **7. Aldermen's Reports**

Alderman Lockett wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval to open the floor to the public.. Second - Alderman Singleton.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**      3 Ayes:      Aldermen Hutson, Singleton, and Lockett.

3 Nays	Aldermen Watts, Comein, and Williams
3 Abstain	Aldermen Battie, Martin, and Ford.
1 Absent	Alderman Lee

As this was a tie vote, Mayor Welch stated that the Council would continue with the meeting agenda, and those individuals in the audience would be allowed to address the Council after the meeting was adjourned.

Alderman Singleton wished everyone a Happy Holiday and stated that anyone in need of assistance for the holiday should contact her.

Alderman Watts wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Alderman Hutson gave out his cell phone number for those interested in contacting him.

Alderman Comein reminded everyone to travel safely during the holiday season.. He reminded everyone that the food pantries are in need of donations and that the Santa Fly In will be held at the CRC on Saturday December 6, 2008.

## **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 7:17 pm.

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Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk

Meeting taped by the Cable Commission