

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
June 14, 2010**

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 Hutson, Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams, 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.

Alderman Burriss arrived at 7:22 pm.

Absent were: Aldermen Lee and Battie.

2a. Invocation - The invocation was given by Yolanda Albert, leader of Girl Scout Troop 60501.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

A. **Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting, May 24, 2010**

B. **Approval of Minutes - Administrative Meeting, June 7, 2010**

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of May 24, 2010 and approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of June 7, 2010. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 24, 2010 and the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of June 7, 2010 Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

A. **Approval of Commission Appointments:**

1. **Cameron Adams - Public Access Cable Commission**
2. **Conchetta Jones - Blood and Organ Donor Commission**
3. **James Jones - Electrical Commission**

- 4. Delores Lipscomb - Public Access Cable Commission**
- 5. Pamela Manning - Historic Commission**
- 6. John Weaver - Electrical Commission**

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval of the appointment of Cameron Adams - Public Access Cable Commission, Conchetta Jones - Blood and Organ Donor Commission, James Jones - Electrical Commission, Delores Lipscomb - Public Access Cable Commission, Pamela Manning - Historic Commission, and John Weaver - Electrical Commission. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote. Conchetta Jones, James Jones, Cameron Adams, John Weaver, and Delores Lipscomb introduced themselves to the Council. They all stated they are long time residents of Country Club Hills and thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve on the commissions

Mayor Welch introduced Don Huston, Hillcrest High School Boys Basketball coach. He and team members present thanked the Mayor, City Council and City staff for their support and contributions to the team. Mayor Welch was presented with a championship ring commemorating the teams' victory as state champions. It was mentioned that the boys and girls basketball teams, and the track team all went downstate for finals and that the school received the good sportsmanship award. Mayor Welch stated that the City is very proud of the team, the fans, and the school.

Yolanda Albert, leader of Girl Scout Troop 60501, was introduced. She and the members of the troop explained that "Teen Tuesday Summer Camp" being held each Tuesday evening at the pavilion from 6 pm to 9 pm through July 27, 2010. Teens ages 13-18 are invited to attend. Each Tuesday evening has a different theme. Special thanks were given to Aldermen Ford and Comein for their contributions to the program.

5. City Clerk's Report

City Clerk Deborah McIlvain, reminded everyone that the Farmers Market is held each Saturday from 8 am to 2 pm on the City Campus.

6. Committee Reports

**I. Finance: Alderman Ford, Chairman
(Committee Meeting June 24, 2010 6:30 pm)**

A. Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Teamsters Local Union No 700 (Telecommunicators and Clerical Staff) 2010-2012

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Teamsters Local Union No 700 (Telecommunicators and Clerical Staff) 2010-2012. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this represents a 2 year agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE 7 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams, Ford.

0 Nays:

3 Absent. Aldermen Lee, Battie, and Burris

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

B. Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Teamsters Local 700 (Public Works Employees) 2010-2014

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Teamsters Local 700 (Public Works Employees) 2010-2014. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this represents a 4 year agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE 7 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams, Ford.

0 Nays:

3 Absent. Aldermen Lee, Battie, and Burris

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

C. Approval of Supplementary Agreement to Current Collective Bargaining Agreement - Country Club Hills Firefighters Union

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of a Supplementary Agreement to Current Collective Bargaining Agreement - Country Club Hills Firefighters Union. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - It was explained that this would provide a temporary spike in salary for 2 firefighters with 30 years of service prior to retirement. Alderman Lockett requested information regarding the cost to taxpayers. Mayor Welch explained that the information is in the Council packets.

ROLL CALL VOTE 2 Ayes: Aldermen Comein and Williams.

4 Nays: Aldermen Hutson, Singleton, Lockett and Ford.

1 Abstain: Alderman Martin

3 Absent. Aldermen Lee, Battie, and Burris

Motion Failed.

D. Approval of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, “The City Council” of the City of Country Club Hills City Code by Adding New Article 10, Internet and Insert Mailer Advertising,” Thereto

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of OA -05-10, an Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, “The City Council” of the City of Country Club Hills City Code by Adding New Article 10, Internet and Insert Mailer Advertising,” Thereto. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this ordinance would specify the types of advertising for internet and insert mailers. The initial advertising would be done as an insert to the water bill. Priority would be given to local businesses, followed by regional businesses and national businesses. Up to 60% of the revenue will be received by the City. Alderman Lockett stated he would not support this because it would affect the smaller businesses. Mayor Welch began to explain the effect on small businesses and Alderman Lockett began to speak without being recognized. A heated discussion ensued with Alderman Lockett being called out of order.

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

0 Nays:

1 Abstain: Alderman Burris

2 Absent. Aldermen Lee & Battie.

Alderman Lockett did not respond to the Clerk’s roll call for his vote.

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

**II. Law, Ordinance and Government: Alderman Martin, Chairman
(Committee Meeting July 12, 2010 6:00 pm)**

Alderman Martin indicated that proposed ordinances would be forthcoming from the committee.

**II. Public Works and Utilities
(Committee Meeting - TBA)**

Alderman Battie, Chairman

**A. Approval of Resolution for Maintenance (BLR 14230) Motor Fuel
Tax Funds - \$262,500 FY 10/11 MFT Maintenance Program**

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval of Resolution No R-11-10 a Resolution for Maintenance (BLR 14230) Motor Fuel Tax Funds - \$262,500 FY 10/11 MFT Maintenance Program. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this represented the City's MFT allocation for the fiscal year 10/11.

ROLL CALL VOTE 8 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams, Ford
and Burris.

0 Nays:

2 Absent. Aldermen Lee and Battie.

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

B. Approval of Bid Recommendation - 2010/2011 Ditch Maintenance Program

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval of the bid for 2010/2011 Ditch Maintenance Program. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion- it was explained that the low bid received was from Thornton Equipment in the amount of \$29,250 (2.5% below the approved estimate cost). The firm is pre-qualified by the State to perform the type and amount of work required.

ROLL CALL VOTE 8 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams, Ford
and Burris.

0 Nays:

2 Absent. Aldermen Lee and Battie.

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

**IV. Economic Development
(Committee Meeting July 7, 2010 6:00 pm)**

Alderman Hutson, Chairman

A. Approval of an Ordinance Amending the Country Club Hills Zoning Ordinance to Create a “C-O Cicero Avenue Accessory Residential Overlay Zoning District

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval of Ordinance No OA-06-10, an Ordinance Amending the Country Club Hills Zoning Ordinance to Create a “C-O Cicero Avenue Accessory Residential Overlay Zoning District.” Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this would provide rezoning of the area of the City located north of 177th Street and west of Cicero Avenue allowing an accessory dwelling structure of a minimum of 500 feet in an effort to alleviate the property taxes.

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

1 Nays: Alderman Burris

1 Abstain: Alderman Lockett

2 Absent. Aldermen Lee and Battie.

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

**V. Planning, Zoning and Development Alderman Lockett Chairman
(Committee Meeting July 13, 2010 7:00 pm)**

No Report

**VI. Insurance and Risk Management Alderman Comein, Chairman
(Committee Meeting June 17, 2010 5:00 pm)**

A. Approval of a Resolution Appointing Sonia Little as Acting Agent for the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund

Alderman Comein moved for Council approval of Resolution No R-12-10, a Resolution Appointing Sonia Little as Acting Agent for the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. Second - Alderman Williams. Discussion - it was explained that as Ms. Little is the payroll clerk, she needs to be appointed as the IMRF agent.

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

2 Nays: Aldermen Singleton and Lockett

2 Absent. Aldermen Lee and Battie.

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

B. Approval of Employee Benefits Renewal Package

Alderman Comein moved for Council approval of the Employee Benefits Renewal Package. Second - Alderman Williams. Discussion - It is the recommendation of the committee that the City change the current plan design from plan type PPO 42223 (BCBS) to BPAC 1807 (BCBS HRA which would result in a \$387,311 annual savings to the City. The dental and vision plans would result experience no increase in rates.

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

2 Nays: Aldermen Singleton and Lockett

2 Absent. Aldermen Lee and Battie.

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

**VII. Community and Park Activities Alderman Singleton, Chairman
(Committee Meeting July 6, 2010 7:00 pm)**

No Report

**VIII. Contract Compliance Alderman Lee, Chairman
(Committee Meeting July 13, 2010 6:30 pm)**

No Report

**IX. Special Committee - Schools & Education Alderman Williams, Chairman
(Committee Meeting June 17, 2010 5:00 pm)**

No Report.

7. Aldermen's Reports

Alderman Lockett expressed his dissatisfaction with the City's bond debt and the revenues received from the operation of the theater.

Alderman Martin offered congratulations to the Hillcrest High School team members.

Alderman Hutson thanked his wife for allowing him to attend the meeting this evening as it is their 24th wedding anniversary.

Alderman Ford offered his congratulations to Alderman and Mrs. Hutson.

Alderman Comein announced that the Senior Health Fair will take place on June 16, 2010 from 10 - 2 in the Pavilion.

Alderman Williams asked that residents take advantage of the City's publications explaining the facts regarding the City's financial status. He also reminded residents to take time for relaxation and fun during the coming summer months.

Alderman Burriss offered congratulations to Alderman Hutson, explained that the bond indebtedness is 40 million plus interest, and that the aldermen during a meeting have the right to debate an issue and the chairman of the meeting has an obligation to push the meeting along. He announced that his town hall meeting will be held on June 24th at the Flossmoor Public Library.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk

Meeting taped by the Cable Commission