

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
June 28, 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, Lee, Comein, Singleton, Lockett, Williams, Ford, and Burris 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 Battie and Martin.

2a. Invocation - The invocation was given by Pastor Dorn, St. John's Lutheran Church and School.

Mayor Welch announced that this meeting was not being taped by the Cable Commission as there had been extensive flood damage to the lower level of City Hall. He asked that residents check their homes for water damage resulting from the recent storm.

Mayor Welch announced that the City's annual fireworks display will be held on Sunday, July 4, 2010 at dusk on the City Hall Campus. The event is free.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

A. **Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting, June 14, 2010**

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of June 14, 2010. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 14, 2010 Carried Via Voice Vote.

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

A. Presentation - South Suburban Family Shelter - Vicki Meilach

Ms. Meilach introduced herself to the Council and explained that she is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the South Suburban Family Shelter, which is celebrating 30 years of service to the community. The agency provides services to those affected by domestic violence and abuse through a 24 hour hotline, intervention programs, court ordered programs, school based prevention programs, and advocate services at areas hospital emergency rooms. All services are free of charge with the exception of their 29 week program. The agency accepts donations of books, clothing, furniture and cell phones for resale at their Park Forest facility. Ms. Meilach indicated that additional information was available on the table in the rear of Council Chambers.

Mayor Welch requested the following motion:

Alderman Hutson moved for Council approval to amend Ordinance No O-10-10, an Ordinance for the Placement of Various Stop Signs Within the City of Country Club Hills to reflect the placement of stop signs in the northbound and southbound directions of 185th Street and Baker Avenue. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion- none.

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

2 Absent: Aldermen Battie and Martin.

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

Mayor Welch announced that Judge Stuttley has announced his retirement. The Council expressed interest in the City reserving a table for the event.

Mayor Welch explained that the dollar amount for fencing in the budget was allocated incorrectly and requested a budget amendment.

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval to amend Ordinance No. O-08-10, an Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget for the Year Commencing May 1, 2010 and Ending April 30, 2011. Second - Alderman Hutson. Discussion - Discussion ensued with the dollar amount of \$100,000 being allocated as follows: Ward 1 \$30,000, Ward 2 \$35,000, and Ward 4 \$35,000.

ROLL CALL VOTE 8 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Lee, Comein,

Singleton, Lockett, Williams, Ford and
Burris.
0 Nays:

2 Absent: Aldermen Battie and Martin.

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

Mayor Welch commented that the City of Country Club Hills and most other municipalities are awaiting payment of owed monies from the State of Illinois.

5. City Clerk's Report

No Report.

6. Committee Reports

**I. Finance: Alderman Ford, Chairman
(Committee Meeting July 22, 2010 6:30 pm)**

A. Approval Vouchers

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,500,158.45.
Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE 5 Ayes: Aldermen Hutson, Comein,
Singleton, Ford and Mayor Welch.

2 Abstain: Alderman Lee.

Alderman Lee abstained on all vouchers. Alderman Burris abstained for Governmental Business.

4 Nays: Alderman Singleton, Lockett, Williams and
Burris.

Alderman Singleton cast a no vote for Governmental Business and Sikich LLP, Alderman
Lockett cast a no vote for DGR
Construction, Braaten Enterprises,
Governmental Business, Green
Garden Country Club, Lionheart

Engineering, Perm-a-Seal, Sikich LLP, The Brewer Company, WLFM LLC, and WSBR-Fm, Alderman Williams cast a no vote for Governmental Business, Sikich LLP, The Brewer Company, and Theobold and Associates, Alderman Burris cast a no vote for Aleck Plumbing, Calumet City Plumbing, Central Rodding, Sunset Sewer, Citgo, and Theobold and Associates.

2 Absent: Aldermen Battie and Martin

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)**

No Report.

**II. Public Works and Utilities Alderman Battie, Chairman
(Committee Meeting - TBA)**

No Report . Mayor Welch encouraged everyone to give Alderman Battie a call as he is recovering from surgery.

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

No Report

**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 July 15, 2010 5:00 pm)**

No Report

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

Alderman Singleton announced that the second session of summer camp is about to begin and that registration is being accepted for flag football.

**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 July 15, 2010 5:00 pm)**

Alderman Williams stated that he will be meeting with the Board President of Rich Central High School District 227.

7. Aldermen's Reports

Alderman Burriss stated that there are still some branches that need to be picked up. City Manager Henrietta Turner stated that the Public Works crew will be picking up branches until the 4th of July holiday. Alderman Burriss submitted a complaint on a house in Ward 4 and suggested that he knew of several minority companies that could handle plumbing and sewer work. Mayor Welch asked that he submit the information for these companies to the City Manager.

Alderman Williams reminded residents to clean their gutters and drainage areas. Mayor Welch reminded residents to contact Public Works and/or the Police Department to report standing water.

Alderman Comein reminded everyone that the Community Policing Meeting for Ward 3 will be held on June 30 at 7 pm at the CRC.

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Alderman Ford reminded everyone to attend the City's 4th of July celebration.

Alderman Hutson requested a moment of silence for Bertha Brown. Mayor Welch stated that a small child had been lost in a pool drowning incident. Alderman Hutson stated that he hoped

that the Explorer/Cadet program would continue and gave his phone number for questions and concerns from constituents.

Alderman Lee reminded teens to use the sidewalks whenever possible and not walk in the street and reminded everyone that fireworks are illegal in the City of Country Club Hills.

Alderman Singleton reminded everyone that the Ward 1 Community Policing Meeting will be July 14 at the Police Department, the Community and Park Activities Committee Meeting will be July 6 at 7 pm and concluded by commending the Public Works Department for their efforts following the recent storm,

Alderman Lockett reminded everyone to have a safe and Happy 4th of July holiday.

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 7:40 pm.

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk