# CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL December 9, 2013

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

# 2. THOSE ON ROLL CALL ANSWERING PRESENT WERE:

Aldermen Ford, Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans.

Also present were: City Clerk, Deborah McIlvain and City Attorney, John Murphey.

Absent was: City Treasurer, Rhonda Williams.

# **3.** Journal of Proceedings:

- A. 1. Administrative Meeting November 18, 2013
  - 2. Regular City Council Meeting- November 25, 2013

Alderman Ford moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of November 18, 2013 and the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of November 25, 2013. Second - Alderman Evans. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of November 18, 2013 and the minutes of the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 25, 2013 carried Via Voice Vote.

# 4. Communications and Reports by the Mayor:

Mayor Welch reminded everyone that, pursuant to section 18.4.01 of the City Code, the water rates will increase by 43 cents/1000 gallons effective January 1, 2014.

(Mayor Welch turned the meeting over to Alderman Ford and excused himself from the dais).

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval to name Alderman Ford as Mayor Pro Temp. Second - Alderman Evans. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

#### 5 City Clerk's Report

City Clerk, Deborah McIlvain, announced that the City's annual food drive is currently underway. Donations of non-perishable food items are being accepted in the lobby of City Hall and will be distributed to area food pantries and organizations. She wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

#### 6 Committee Reports

I. Finance: Alderman Davis, Chairman (Committee Meeting January 9, 2014 5:00 pm)

#### A. Approval of Vouchers - December 9, 2013

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$453,019.76.Second - Alderman Lockett. Discussion - none.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**5 Ayes:Aldermen Ford, Lockett, Davis, Glispie and<br/>Evans.

0 Nays

0 Absent:

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

II. Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Alderman Ford, Chairman Contract Compliance (TBA)

No Report

III.Public Works and Utilities<br/>(Committee Meeting TBA)Alderman Glispe, CHairman

No Report

IV. Economic Development, Planning, Zoning & Alderman Evans, Chairman Development (Committee Meeting TBA)

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No Report

#### V. Insurance, Risk Management & Personnel Alderman Lockett, Chairman (Committee Meeting TBA)

Alderman Locket stated that a committee meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

# A. Approval - Property License Agreement 19001 Cicero Avenue/Daycare Lease

This item was tabled by Alderman Lockett.

#### VI. Special Committee of the Whole - Theater

#### A. Approval - Proposal for Professional Services - Theater Improvements

Alderman Davis moved for Council approval of the Proposal for Professional Services -Theater Improvement - Steven Amu and Associates in the amount of \$130,000.00. Second -Alderman Ford. Discussion - It was explained that these Improvements, if completed, would be part of the 2015 season.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 4 Ayes: Aldermen Ford, Lockett, Davis, and Glispie.

1 Nays Alderman Evans

0 Absent:

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

Alderman Davis moved to open the floor to the public. Second - Alderman Lockett. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Hosea Gray, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and suggested that the dollars in the budget for rebates be utilized to retire debt service instead. He also stated that he felt the theater moving forward should be reconsidered as it has lost a substantial amount of money.

Alderman Lockett moved that the floor be closed to the public. Second - Alderman Davis.

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# 9. Aldermen's Reports

Alderman Evans explained that the City is legally obligated to rebate monies to Wal-Mart and other commercial establishments and that the monies approved earlier in the meeting were for architectural work and if, expanded it is hoped that the theater would make additional monies. She wished everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday.

Alderman Ford announced that the son of Avis Rogers will be returning from a tour of duty in Afghanistan on December 12. A celebration will be held at the Provincetown Clubhouse from 6-10 pm that evening. He also wished everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Alderman Lockett requested a moment of silence upon the passing of Nelson Mandela. He also stated, in response to a request he had received from Mr. Gray, that 3 minutes is sufficient time to address the council and it would not be extended to 6 minutes. He concluded by stating that he feels that TIF monies need to be spent within the TIF districts.

Alderman Davis explained that the budgeted rebates are not for residents, that the theater expansion involves some difficult decisions and the issues of moving forward or not will require a significant amount of discussion and planning. He wished everyone a happy holiday season and remainder everyone to enjoy their families.

Alderman Ford reminded everyone that there will be no more meetings of the Council until January of 2014.

# 10. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk

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