



**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
Monday June 10, 2019  
7:00 pm**

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. 183<sup>rd</sup> Street at 7:02pm The meeting was called to order by the Honorable James W. Ford, Mayor.

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

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

Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

Absent: Alderman Davis

Also present were: City Clerk, Patricia D. Hutson and City Attorney John Murphey.  
Judge Stuttley served as parliamentarian.

Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski served as legislative counsel.

**3. Invocation was provided by Commissioner Jeanne Betton.**

**4. Journal of Proceedings**

**A. Approval of Minutes -**

**1. Administrative Meeting May 6, 2019**

**2. Regular City Council Meeting May 13, 2019**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of May 6, 2019 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 13, 2019. Second – Alderman Glispie. Discussion – None. Motion to approve the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of May 6, 2019 and the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of May 13, 2019 Carried Via Voice Vote.

**5. Communications and Reports by the Mayor:**

Mayor Ford shared the Governor passed the capital bill last week and within the capital bill there are finances coming to the several municipalities including Country Club Hills. A casino was also included in the bill for the southland and the site has yet to be determined. Lastly, legalization of marijuana was included in the bill as well.

**A. Approval of Fire Department – Automatic Aid Agreement**

Mayor Ford explained the Automatic Aid Agreement is an agreement for local Fire Departments to assist each other when needed.

Discussion – Alderman Lockett shared that this agreement has been in place for over 10 years and this is an update that will not require an annual agreement. This is a housekeeping item.

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the Fire Department Automatic Aid Agreement.

Second – Alderman Glispie

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays

1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

B. The Mayor announced that the City Clerk would announce item in the Clerk’s Report

**6. City Clerk’s Report**

City Clerk, Patricia D. Hutson shared recent Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act trainings via online and on site, attendance at city events, a recent meeting with Cook County Clerk Karen Yarbrough and reps from the State Treasurer’s Office on future collaboration projects for residents. Lastly there is information on the communication table regarding an expungement program.

**7. Committee Reports**

**I. Finance**

**Alderman Lockett, Chairman**

**(Committee Meeting June 20, 2019 12:00pm)**

**A. Approval of Vouchers – June 10, 2019**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$917,603.84.

Second – Alderman Glispie.

Discussion – none.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**        4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey  
                                     0 Nays  
                                     1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**B. Approval – Capital Asset Policy**

Alderman Lockett explained this is a policy to track all tangible city owned items paid for with tax payers dollars.

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the Capital Asset Policy. Second – Alderman Glispie. Discussion – none.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**        4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey  
                                     0 Nays  
                                     1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**C. Approval – Outstanding Check Policy**

Alderman Lockett explained this policy will help resolve uncashed checks issued by the city.

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the Outstanding Check Policy. Second – Glispie. Discussion – none.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**        4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays

1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**D. Approval – Personnel Attorney Agreement**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of Personnel Attorney Violet Clark of Laner Muchin at a flat rate of \$2,500 a month. This rate will not impact our current budget as it will replace some of the services of our hourly Personnel Attorney John Murphey. This monthly fee is inclusive of rewriting our HR Handbook, negotiations, etc.

Per request of Alderman Lockett Attorney Vi Clark introduced herself as a partner with Laner Muchin and provided some of her background. She is looking forward to working with the city.

Second – Alderman Glispie

Discussion – none

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays

1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**E. Approval – Ordinance Amending Section 1.6.04**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of Ordinance Amending Section 1.6.04 removing the previous finance director and granting the City Treasurer check signing authority.

Second – Glispie

Discussion – none

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays

1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**Alderman Lockett announced the next finance committee meeting will be held June 20, 2019 at 12noon.**

**II. Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Contract Compliance**

**Alderman Glispie, Chairman**

**(Committee Meeting Scheduled - June 24, 2019 – 6:30pm)**

No Report

**III. Public Works and Utilities**

**Alderman Davis, Chairman**

**(Committee Meeting TBA)**

**A. Approval of Bid Recommendation – 2019 CDBG Street Improvements  
- PT Ferro Construction \$423,624.55**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the 2019 CDBG in the amount of \$423,624.55 awarded by bid to P.T. Ferro.

Second – Alderman Glispie

**Discussion –**

Alderman Lockett mentioned the previous lobbyist has secured an additional \$400 to \$500 thousand dollars for street repairs.

Mayor Ford noted through his efforts along with our previous lobbyist, State Rep Debbie Meyers-Martin and Senator Hastings \$1.7 million dollars was secured in the capital bill for Country Club Hills street repairs.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays

1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**B. Approval – Agreement RJN – next phase of MWRD Control Program**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of the RJN phase of the MWRD Control Program for required upgrades. The approximate cost is \$19,000.

Second – Alderman Evans

Discussion – none

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**                   4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey  
                                                  0 Nays  
                                                  1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**C. Approval of Water Rate Increase**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of a Water Rate increase of 3% per City of Chicago by way of Oak Lawn. This is a housekeeping issue and does not require a vote per Attorney Murphey.

**D. Approval of Refuse Rate Increase**

Alderman Lockett moved for Council approval of a Refuse Rate increase of 3% per contract.

Second – Alderman Glispie

Discussion – none

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**                   4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey  
                                                  0 Nays  
                                                  1 Absent: Alderman Davis

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

**IV. Economic Development & Planning, Zoning & Development**

**Alderman Spivey, Chairman**

**(Committee Meeting TBA)**

**Alderman Spivey's committee met last week to discuss extending the TIF to accommodate the Logistics Property.**

**V. Insurance, Risk Management & Personnel**

**Alderman Evans, Chairman**

**A. Approval – Renewal 2019 Employee Insurance Benefit Package**

**Alderman Evans moved for Council approval for the 2019 Employee Insurance Benefit Package Renewal.**

**Second – Alderman Lockett**

**Discussion –**

**Alderman Evans noted this package is for all city employees health, dental, short term disability, life insurance. This is a housekeeping item. Although there is a slight increase the numbers are looking very good. The City will have a 3.96% increase while other rates will remain the same until 2020.**

**Second – Alderman Lockett**

**Discussion – none**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Glispie, Evans and Spivey**

**0 Nays**

**1 Absent: Alderman Davis**

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

## **8. Public Portion of Meeting**

**Alderman Lockett moved that the floor be opened to the public.**

**Second – Alderman Evans**

**Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.**

**The following individuals addressed the Council:**

- **Leora Bell, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and stated that at the April 22<sup>nd</sup> budget hearing she stated that the Aldermen should eliminate their committee stipends and she was told this could not be done because the law says the salaries cannot be decreased during their term. Ms. Bell is looking at 65 ILCS 5 article 3-1 titled “Compensation”. There are two ways the salaries of elected officials can be fixed. One is by annual budget and the other is by ordinance. It’s only kby ordinance the salaries can’t be changed during your term office. Not only can it be decreased you cannot get any increases as well. As the aldermen are receiving annual salary increases that it is not fixed by ordinsnce but by budget. That means whatever the salaries are they cannot be increased or decreased during that annual budget period. Per her previous request she is asking the aldermen to amend the budget and remove the compensation for committee meetings.**
- **Pastor Harris, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and stated he would like to thank the city for cleaning his park area on Clarence. He also announced he has 2 available rain barrels and Jerry will gather his information.**
- **James Craig, Country Club Hills, addressed the Council and asked that all members please speak into the microphones as it is difficult for audience members to hear.**
- **Katron McMillian, Country Club Hills addressed the Council and inquired about the red light camera at 175<sup>th</sup> & Pulaski. Mayor Ford explained the lights are owned and managed the City.**
- **Insurance Broker Otis Gilmore mentioned a corrextion of the previously mention 3.94% was lowered to 1.94%.**
- **Ms. McMillian inquired as to how long the red light cameras have been in place and that is 8-10 years per Atty Murphey.**

**Alderman Lockett moved that the floor be closed to the public.**



**Second – Alderman Glispie**

**Motion Carried Via Voice Vote.**

**9. Aldermanic Report**

**Alderman Spivey thanked the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward for coming out for Fun Day last Friday in Provincetown with 50-80 families in attendance along with CCHPD staff and Ofc. Chills.**

**Alderman Evans reiterated per our broker we have a 1.94% rate increase which was previously 3,94% prior to recent negotiations.**

**Alderman Glispie addressed the residents of the 1sr Ward that although we have had excessive rain we all need to maintenance our lawns to keep the city looking neat and clean**

**Alderman Lockett asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the loss of his sister, Renee Perkins June 7th. He asked that we keep him and his family in prayer. Alderman Lockett then invited everyone to come out to the Community Picnic Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 10am at 4pm at Community Park.**

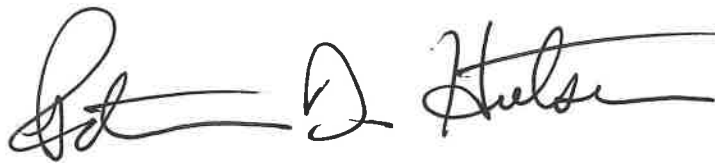
**Alderman Spivey announced EDC has a shred day scheduled for July 20<sup>th</sup> 9am-1pm at the City Theater.**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Lockett.**

**Second – Alderman Glispie**

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

**Meeting adjourned at 7:41pm**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia D. Hutson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

Respectfully submitted

Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk