

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

4200 W 183rd St. Country Club Hills, IL 60478

Monday, January 11, 2021 at 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER – JAMES W. FORD, MAYOR

A regular meeting of the City Council, City of Country Club Hills, Cook County, State of Illinois, was held in the City Hall, 4200 W. 183rd Street at 7:04p.m. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable James W. Ford, Mayor. Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, this meeting is available remotely for elected officials via tele-conference per Governor J.B. Pritzker's Executive 2020.70 issued March 16, 2020.

1a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of allegiance was presented by all in attendance.

2. ROLL CALL - PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY CLERK

Those on Roll Call answering present were:

Alderman Lockett (on-site), Alderman Davis (tele-conference), Alderman Glispie (on-site), Alderwoman Evans (tele-conference), Alderman Spivey (on-site), Mayor Ford(on-site).

Absent - none

3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

Invocation was presented by Reverend Anthony Tiller of Jeremiah Temple Church Int'l 4350 W. 180th St. in Country Club Hills.

4. **JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS**

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- A. Approval Meeting Minutes 12.14.2020
- B. Approval Special Meeting Minutes 12.28.2020

A. Approval - City Council Meeting Minutes 12.14.2020 and 12.28.2020

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of the meeting minutes of the 12.14.2020 Regular City Council Meeting and the 12.28.2020 Special City Council Meeting. Second, Alderman Glispie. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	5 Ayes:	Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey
	0 Nays:	
	0 Abstain;	
	0 Absent:	

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS BY MAYOR FORD:

Mayor Ford shared previously emailed all elected officials information on HB 163 which will address Police Reform. There is a lot of concern with this HB throughout Law Enforcement in the State of Illinois. Mayor Ford shared as long as our Law Enforcement Officers are doing their job and servicing residents and citizens by guaranteeing their rights there should be no problems with this Bill. Springfield is in session and will address this Bill. If there are any questions please let him know. The SSMMA is trying to get a delay on this Bill to allow input from the South Suburban Mayors and Managers.

Mayor Ford also shared information on a recent communiqué that Mike Madigan has suspended his quest for another term as Speaker of the House. Mayor then shared a recent Southtown Article about a recently terminated Police Officer who was fired for lying. Lastly, Mayor Ford shared he is looking forward to COVID-19 vaccinations starting with our First Responders, seniors etc per the Governor's recent schedule of vaccinations in the State of IL. Mayor then shared Ingalls Hospital in Harvey has recently provided vaccinations. Mayor asked everyone to pray for our leaders and country with the current state of the Nation.

6. CITY CLERK'S REPORT – PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY CLERK

City Clerk Hutson shared City Hall has resumed normal business hours of 8am to 5pm M-F. Clerk Hutson then shared, Cook County Board of Review will continue to accept property tax appeals through January 14th for Rich Township property owners online at cookcountyboardofreview.com . Lastly, Clerk Hutson shared City Hall will be closed Monday

January 18, 2021 in observance of Reverand Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday. In recognition of this pending Holiday Clerk Hutson read two quotes from Dr. King.

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."

"The time is always right to do what is right."

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee – Alderman Lockett, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

A. Approval – Vouchers dated 01.11.2021

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of the 01.11.2021 Vouchers in the amount of \$608,343.60. Second, Alderman Davis. Discussion – Alderman Spivey asked if his \$1,300 was included on the vouchers.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

0 Absent:

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Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Contract – Alderman Glispie, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

No Report

Public Works and Utilities – Alderman Davis, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

No Report

Economic Development & Planning, Zoning & Development – Alderman Spivey, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

Alderman Spivey announced the opening of WingStop on 167th St., Winston's Jerk Chicken on 183rd St. and shared the I-57/183rd St. project is coming along nicely.

Insurance, Risk Management, and Personnel – Alderwoman Evans, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

Alderwoman Evans announced the Insurance, Risk Management and Personnel Committee will hold a meeting Wednesday – January 20th at 6pm to review the current insurance carrier.

8. MOTION TO OPEN THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval to open the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Glispie. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 Ayes:Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

0 Absent:

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9. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Attorney Kenneth Wright shared information on a recent domestic incident in Country Club Hills and interactions with the Police Department on behalf of his client.

10. MOTION TO CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval to close the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Glispie. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 Ayes:Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

0 Absent:

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11. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Lockett asked everyone to keep Victor Watts and his family lifted up in prayers after the loss of his wife Karla.

Alderman Spivey asked when the Stop sign he requested will be installed. Alderman Spivey shared the traffic study was complete and he didn't understand why it had not been installed. Mayor Ford shared he was not aware of the request and he will check with the Police Department and Jerry Townsend regarding this matter.

Alderman Glispie and Mayor Ford shared to also to please keep Shirley Elmore in prayers on the loss of her husband. Mayor Ford shared he and Alderman Glispie both donated \$150.00 each to assist Mrs. Elmore and asked if anyone else was interested in donating. Alderman Davis, Lockett and Evans agreed to donate \$150.00. Alderman Spivey initially agreed to donate \$100 then agreed to donate \$150.00 as well.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Lockett moved for adjournment. Second, Alderman Glispie. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5 Ayes:Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie, Evans and Spivey

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

0 Absent:

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The Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk