



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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

Monday, November 14, 2022 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 7:11PM. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable James W. Ford, Mayor

1a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of allegiance was presented by all in attendance and lead by MayorFord.

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

Those on Roll Call answering present were:

Alderman Lockett, Davis, Edwards and Mayor Ford

Excused as Absent – Alderwoman Evans and Alderman Spivey

3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

The Invocation was presented by Pastor William Jenkins Jr. of Flesh Becoming Word Church.

4. JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A. Approval - Administrative Meeting Minutes 10.17.2022

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for 10.10.2022. Second, Alderman Edwards. Discussion-None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 3 Alderman Lockett, Davis and Edwards
Nays: 0
Abstains: 0
Absent: 2 Alderwoman Evans and Alderman Spivey

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS BY MAYOR FORD:

A. Retirement Presentation for Sergeant W. Walker

Mayor Ford thanked and congratulated Sgt. Walker on his years of service and dedication to the residents of Country Club Hills. He then congratulated him as Chief Galvin presented him with a plaque of appreciation for his years on the Police Force. Sgt. Walker thanked everyone and wished the city well.

B. Introduction of Sergeant R. Harris

Mayor Ford congratulated Sgt. Harris on his well-deserved promotion. Deputy Chief Richmond shared his appreciation for Sgt. Harris's long standing work ethics, professionalism and great community relations. He then congratulated him on a well-deserved promotion.

C. Holiday Food Drive

Mayor Ford shared his enthusiasm for the kick-off of the City's Annual Food Drive. Mayor thanked the Fire Department and the Clerk's Office for their donations of non-perishable food items that will be donated to local churches and available for residents in need. Mayor Ford shared the Food Drive will continue through the end of the year.

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

Clerk Hutson shared she had the pleasure of attending SD#160's Community Forum along with Mayor Ford and Alderman Edwards. Clerk Hutson thanked the Police

Department and Public Works for their preparation in reference to the November 8th Election. Clerk Hutson shared the city Winter Wonderland will occur Saturday December 3rd 3pm at the Theater Campus. Lastly, Clerk Hutson shared she held a Voter Registration Drive and informational forum at Hillcrest H.S. and worked with a student on preparing a flyer and communicating to students. She also spoke with students about voting, researching candidates and working on election day.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance, Insurance, & Risk Management – Alderman Lockett, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – TBA)

A. Approval - Vouchers as of 11.14.2022

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of vouchers in the amount of \$590,120.30 for 10.24.2022. Second, Alderman Spivey. Discussion – None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 3 Alderman Lockett, Davis and Edwards
Nays: 0
Abstains: 0
Absent: 2 Alderwoman Evans and Alderman Spivey

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Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Contract – Alderwoman Evans, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – 11.17.2022 5:30pm)

A. Approval - An Ordinance Amending Section 7.2.16 Fireworks of CCH City Code

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of an Ordinance Amending Section 7.2.16 Fireworks of CCHills City Code. Second, Alderman Edwards. Discussion – Ald. Lockett and Edwards shared this Ordinance will address the dangerous and illegal fireworks during the Independence Day and New Year's Holidays. They shared the fines to be issued are between \$500 to \$2,000.

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

A. Approval - Purchase of Schwarze A9 Monsoon Sweeper

This item was not addressed as it remains in the Public Works Committee.

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

Education, Parks & Recs – Alderman Edwards, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – 11.17.2022 5:00pm)

Ald. Edwards shared he is continuing to meet and assist the local elementary and high school districts.

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 Davis, Discussions – None**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 3 Alderman Lockett, Davis and Edwards
Nays: 0
Abstains: 0
Absent: 2 Alderwoman Evans and Alderman Spivey

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9. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

James Muhammad, resident, shared he is concerned as we move towards winter weather that he will not be able to exit his home because of the way the driveways are plowed. He shared last year there was an emergency situation and he would like to avoid that in the coming season.

Juan Garth, shared his frustration with a recent fire that jeopardized resident and an his residential housing development. He shared the CCHills Fire Department could have addressed the fire sooner if the sewer were placed differently. He shared tried to work with the city to address a heavily wooded area.

Nancy Switzer, resident, inquired as to missing meeting minutes from July 25th and she did not see the Ordinance adopted 8.8.22 on the city website. Clerk Hutson shared the July 25th meeting was not held due to lack of a quorum. Clerk Hutson also shared meeting status whether cancelled etc. would be shared on the website under the agenda section. It would not reflect under meeting minutes if the meeting is not held.

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 Davis, Discussions – None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 3 Alderman Lockett, Davis and Edwards
Nays: 0
Abstains: 0
Absent: 2 Alderwoman Evans and Alderman Spivey

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11. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Ald. Edwards thanked Mr. Muhammad for his comments and hopes Public Works can figure out a way to plow without blocking residents in their driveways.

Ald. Lockett shared information on the Jr. Hawks and congratulated them on their award winning achievements.

Ald. Davis thanked Mr. Garth for his comments and would like to discuss partnering with him as a developer.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Lockett moved for adjournment. Second by Alderwoman Evans, Discussions – None

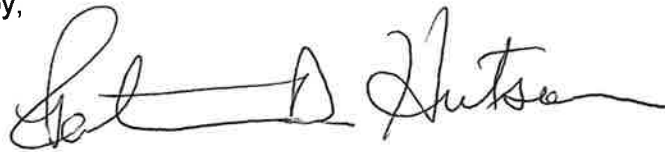
ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 3 Alderman Lockett, Davis and Edwards
Nays: 0
Abstains: 0

Absent: 2 Alderwoman Evans and Alderman Spivey

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this date.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia D. Hutson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke across the middle.

Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk