

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BURBANK CITY COUNCIL MAY 14, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of May 14, 2014 was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Klein in the Council Chambers, 6530 W. 79th Street, Burbank, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following members present: Alderman Foy, Looney, Szymczak, Grider, and Piznarski. Also present: Mayor Klein, Clerk Roach, Treasurer Viverito and Attorney Vince Cainkar. Absent: Alderman Pacella and Pyle.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

JOURNAL

Motion made by Alderman Grider seconded by Alderman Looney to approve the minutes of April 23, 2014 as presented was unanimously approved by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

CURRENT BILLS Motion made by Alderman Grider seconded by Alderman Szymczak to approve the current list of bills. A roll call vote indicated 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Szymczak, Looney, Foy, Grider, and Piznarski.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Viverito reported that the spending for this year is almost identical to the spending for last year for the first four months in the year which is remarkable with raises and everything, We only spent \$68,000 difference from last year at this time. Revenues are flat but it is early in the year and we don't have control over those. The spending is really being contained by all our department heads.

CLERK'S REPORT Clerk Roach reported that we will not be open on Saturday, May 24, and Monday, May 26th in commemoration of Memorial day weekend. The last day to buy city stickers at regular price is May 31st and we will be open 9:00 a.m. to noon. After that the stickers will double in price.

DEPT. OF ZONING

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Szymczak to approve Ordinance No. 25-5-14 fixing a time and place for a public hearing regarding 79th street and Lavergne Avenue Redevelopment Project Area, Redevelopment Project Plan and Tax Increment Allocation Financing. A roll call vote indicated 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Grider, Piznarski, Looney, Szymczak and Foy.

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Piznarski to approve Ordinance No. 26-5-14 approving the Katie Marie's resubdivision at 8403 S. Mayfield. A roll call vote indicated 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Grider, Foy, Szymczak, Piznarski and Looney.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS Alderman Szymczak made the motion seconded by Alderman Grider to approve Ordinance No 27-5-14 approving a parking lease between the City of Burbank and Commonwealth Edison Company. This is an area adjacent and surrounding Public Works.

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DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS (contd.) A roll call vote indicated 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Looney, Szymczak, Foy, Piznarski and Grider.

Alderman Szymczak made the motion seconded by Alderman Foy to approve Illinois department of Transportation MFT Street Rehabilitation MFT Section No. 14-00054-00-RS Resolution for Improvement by Municipality appropriating \$820,000 of MFT funds for street reconstruction. This would encompass Austin avenue from 83rd street to 79th, Mason from 81st to 79th and 80th street from Mason to Mansfield Avenue. A roll call vote indicated 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Foy, Szymczak, Grider, Looney and Piznarski.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Piznarski to appoint Claude Haerr as Commissioner of the Fire-Police Commission to fill the remaining term of Commissioner Thomas Roach. Current term to expire April 28, 2016. A roll call vote indicated 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Piznarski. Foy, Grider, Looney and Szymczak, Mayor Klein asked Mr. Haerr to come forward and Clerk Roach administered the oath of office to him. Everyone congratulated him.

Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Szymczak to reappoint Larry Fischer, Chairman of the Fire-Police Commission for a three year term beginning April 30, 2014 and ending April 30, 2017. A roll call vote indicated five Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Piznarski, Looney, Grider, Foy and Szymczak. Mayor Klein said that Larry has been doing a great job over the years for us as has Jay Bartusiak who is sitting there with him and once again we have a solid commission with the three and thanked them again for their service.

CITIZEN'S REPORT

Mayor Klein then recognized Charles Bandusky of 8548 S. Lavergne who wanted to know how much money we took in on the Video games so far. Mayor Klein told him the first month we made \$5,000, the second month \$9,000 and the third \$14,000.00 so he feels his prediction of \$150,000.00 for the first year will be accurate. His second question was about some of the vacant houses, particularly 4900 W.84th street and 8248 Long. He said the last time he brought up these houses he was told they were in court. He said how long does this take and the Mayor told him that the homeowner is given much leeway so we are at the mercy of the court. It can take years and years. Mr. Bandusky said we are starting to look like Robbins. The Mayor said he shares his opinion on that piece of property and that is why we are in court.

The Chair then recognized Ray Lee of 5744 84th street who said he has problems with trees behind him and they are about 100 feet tall and he is afraid they are going to fall. with severe winds. Mayor Klein told him that Bill Trovato would look into it. He said if any of these trees are hanging on your property, you can cut them down, but we cannot go on private property unless they present a serious problem.

CITIZEN'S REPORT (contd.)

The Chair then recognized Peter Terrazino, 8642 Lockwood Avenue who is concerned with vacant property not being taken care of. He said eventually they will cut the grass but not do a good job. The Mayor informed him that we cannot go on private property, but if it becomes a blight issue we can issue tickets and can cut the grass and charge the owner or put a lien on the property. He also said that on this vacant lot kids are playing soccer and the grass is 18" high. The Mayor commented they must be good soccer players. Mayor Klein told him to see Bill Trovato after the meeting and Public Works will look into it. He also asked about First Energy when our contract is up and Attorney Cainkar said we are negotiating right now.

The Chair then recognized Glenn Kadas of 7809 S. Austin who was concerned with the noise that planes were making coming over his house and if anything could be done about it. The Mayor agreed that it is loud but said it isn't as loud as other places. He told him he serves as Vice-Chair on a noise pollution committee for Midway airport and they do change their flight patterns every 90 days, but since this is controlled federally there is not much we can do about it.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Alderman Szymczak seconded by Alderman Foy to adjourn was agreed upon by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

PATRICIA E ROACH
CITY CLERK

APPROVED