



REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
BURBANK CITY COUNCIL  
JULY 23, 2014

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting of July 23, 2014 was called to order in the Council Chambers, 6530 W. 79<sup>th</sup> Street, Burbank, IL.
- ROLL CALL** Roll call indicated the following Council members present: Alderman Foy, Looney, Szymczak, Grider, Pacella, Piznarski and Pyle. Also present: Mayor Klein, Treasurer Viverito, Clerk Roach and Attorney Vince Cainkar.
- 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 June 25, 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 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Szymczak, Looney, Pacella, Foy, Pyle, Grider and Piznarski.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** **Treasurer Viverito distributed to the City Council, the City's audit of its financial statements for 2013 as prepared by Crowe Horvath's CPA'S. The report detects the \$700,000 deficit for that year, our seventh deficit spending year starting from 2007. He also prepared and distributed a summary of revenue and expenses for all those years and a summary of the current deficit for the last six months of 2014 of \$729,000.00.**
- In addition to the financial audit, he provided to the Council the audit firm's management letter and report on the City's internal control procedures. He also gave the City Council a 5 year summary that he prepared and updated on the 56 revenue line items for the years 2009 to June of 2014 and a six month comparison between the first six months of 2013 vs. 2014.**
- He then stated he is providing this information to the City Council as it is his duty and responsibility as the Treasurer.**
- DEPT. OF ZONING** Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Szymczak to approve Ordinance No. 28-7-14 authorizing a variation to allow the construction of a six foot front side yard fence at 8301 S. Lorel. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Pacella, Grider, Piznarski, Looney, Pyle Szymczak and Foy.

**DEPT. OF  
ZONING  
(Contd.)**

**Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Pyle to approve Ordinance No. 29-7-14 approving the Action Builders 1<sup>st</sup> Resubdivision of the property at 7734 South Nashville Avenue. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Grider, Foy, Szymczak, Piznarski, Pyle, Pacella and Looney.**

**Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Looney to approve Ordinance No. 30-7-14 authorizing a variation to Section 5-3(B)(4), Bulk Yard and Space Requirements, to allow the construction of a building addition to encroach into the front yard setback requirements, for the property at 7745 S. Leamington Avenue. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion Carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Looney, Pacella, Pyle, Szymczak, Foy, Piznarski and Grider.**

**DEPT. OF  
PUBLIC  
WORKS**

**Alderman Szymczak made the motion seconded by Alderman Looney to approve Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Resolution for Improvements, 83<sup>rd</sup> Street – Harlem to Cicero Avenue, MFT Section No. 09-00047-00-RS. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Foy, Szymczak, Grider, Looney, Pacella, Piznarski and Pyle.**

**DEPT. OF  
FINANCE**

**Alderman Grider made the motion seconded by Alderman Pacella to approve Ordinance No. 31-7-14 levying taxes for general and corporate purposes for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2014 for the City of Burbank. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Pyle, Piznarski, Foy, Grider, Looney, Szymczak and Pacella.**

**NEW  
BUSINESS**

**Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Pyle to authorize the attorney to prepare an ordinance for Item 14-06-1 Luis Sanchez, 7939 Natchez, Burbank, Il. who is requesting a variation to install a 5' privacy fence on side front yard and to have overhead door on garage face the street. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Piznarski, Pacella, Looney, Pyle, Grider, Foy and Szymczak.**

**Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Looney to authorize the attorney to prepare an ordinance for Item 14-06-2 Cleverson Andrade, 5260 W. 78<sup>th</sup> St. Burbank, Il. who is requesting a variation to install a 6' privacy fence on side front yard. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Szymczak, Looney, Pacella, Foy, Pyle, Grider and Piznarski.**

**NEW  
BUSINESS  
(Contd.)**

**Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Szymczak to authorize the attorney to prepare an ordinance for Item 14-06-3 for Kimberly and Jeremy Lee, 7745 Menard, Burbank, Il. who are requesting a variation to install a six foot privacy fence. A Roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Pacella, Grider, Piznarski, Looney, Pyle, Szymczak and Foy.**

**Alderman Foy made the motion seconded by Alderman Grider to authorize the attorney to prepare an ordinance for item 14-06-4 Daniel Jalomo 6100 W. 81<sup>st</sup> Place. He is requesting a variation to install a 6' privacy fence on side front yard. A roll call vote indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. The Chair declared the motion carried. Voting Aye: Alderman Grider, Foy, Szymczak, Piznarski, Pyle, Pacella and Looney.**

**Chief Shore said he wanted to make a public announcement in regards to the City Red Light Enforcement program. The cameras will be placed southbound 79<sup>th</sup> street at Cicero Avenue, Eastbound 79<sup>th</sup> street at Cicero avenue, southbound 87<sup>th</sup> street at 87<sup>th</sup> Cicero. Breaking ground on these locations will be in the next month or two. There will also be additional cameras at Westbound 79<sup>th</sup> street and Harlem and northbound Harlem at 79<sup>th</sup> street. He said that we are still awaiting when the official groundbreaking will be but anticipate it will be more than a month.**

**Mayor Klein said that pursuant to law we are required to announce this before the Redflex program becomes operational. He said with this being put in the Clerk's minutes this is being done.**

**CITIZEN'S  
REPORT**

**Mayor Klein recognized Judy LaMentie of 6123 W. 81<sup>ST</sup> Pl. who said how concerned she was with the flooding. Mayor Klein asked her if she was flooded and she said yes she was. Mayor Klein said he went through the area that she is talking about as well as the whole City of Burbank, and he went on to report that he had a meeting last Thursday with our engineer, Pat Thompson from the Water Reclamation district, our representative from the county Mr. John Daley, and a contingent of engineers and other people met on Thursday to discuss the problem. They are keenly aware of the problem and right now we are trying to come up with a feasibility study and also some very pragmatic things that we can do to alleviate the flooding as we know it. He said unfortunately when you get an inundation of rain that exceed 2-1/2 inches in such a short time the sewers can take it, but the reservoir is not deep enough to hold the water before it flows south down stream. He said they are looking into this and it his fervent wish that the problem can be corrected with a few adjustments to the reservoir and the reservoir on 77<sup>th</sup> street off of Natchez.**

**CITIZEN'S  
REPORT  
(Contd.)**

**Mayor Klein recognized Pastor Jeff Urban of 8420 Narragansett. Pastor Urban said he has been in Burbank since 2010, but since that time they have had three floods and they did fill out a questionnaire with the City, but never heard from anyone. With the first three floods they had insurance and they had \$253,000.00 damage with the first three floods. After that they were not able to get insurance to cover any floods. He wanted to know if there was funding available for this time. Mayor Klein said he had not heard of any, but he said if any help comes from the county, he said he would get back to the citizens of Burbank.**

**Pastor Urban said this time the damage was \$18,000 and it would have to come out of church funds. He was hoping that there was something that would come out of this. Mayor Klein said he rode past his church and saw how much water was there, but he is hoping that the widening of the reservoir on 87<sup>th</sup> street should alleviate the problem. He said he saw him on TV and said being a pastor you can understand what an act of God is.**

**Mayor Klein recognized a student from Reavis who said she used to live on 77<sup>th</sup> and Major and was wondering if the gas station there is still empty because it is such an eyesore. He said he agreed with her and it is slated for demolition with the lawyers, but the trouble with gas stations is that you have to go through all kinds of remediation because of the gasoline that seeps into the ground.**

**Mayor Klein then recognized Lynn Griffin of 8057 S. Meade. Burbank, Illinois who said she is so upset about this rain and all the damage it did to her house and wants to know when this will be ending. Mayor Klein told her that one of the discussions that we had Thursday was that Mr. John Daley is going to give us auxiliary pumps from the Dept. of Homeland Security and will be contacting our Public Works director so that we can use 87<sup>th</sup> street if the water starts to go over the top so that we can pump into the street, not into Oaklawn, so that we can save a lot of the areas around the reservoir. He said that is one of the things we will be doing immediately.**

**Pastor Urban asked if there was anyone we could write to for attention to this matter. Mayor Klein told him that we used to have a congressman named Ed Derwinski that he used to sign off by saying a chain never wielded a scepter as powerful as a 3 cent pencil in the hands of a citizen. That was many years ago and he said write to the officials of the Water Reclamation District and the county and to Homeland Security. Let them know of your plight.**

**Mayor Klein recognized Peter Terrazino of 8642 Lockwood who said he got a letter from Com Ed saying that you had until Monday to opt out but he called Eligo and they said that he had to the 26<sup>th</sup>, but didn't get a letter from them as yet.**

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**CITIZEN'S  
REPORT  
(Contd.)**

Mayor Klein said if you do nothing you are automatically with Eligo. Mayor then explained that we had First Energy for a year. He then explained that Elgio gave us a three year contract and they had the lowest cost per kilowatt hour, beating anyone else that we know of. By going with First Energy we saved collectively \$690,000.00 for the entire city.

Mr. Terrazino said he did his homework with the top 12 and he felt Elgio wasn't that much better than the others. Mayor Klein told him that he wished it would have been a better transition with First Energy but understands that First Energy is out of business. Mr. Terrazino said he would stay with Eligo, but hoped we would have had a better deal.

Mr. Terrazino then asked the Mayor in order to move out of Burbank does he have to pay 1%. Mayor Klein said no it is ½ of 1%. He wanted to know where that money goes. He was told it goes into the Corporate fund. He told him we just passed a levy today for the taxes. The levy covered two areas, the fire department and the police department which in the aggregate of over ten million dollars, which goes into the Public Safety fund in the Corporate account.

Another resident asked if we could have phone calls when there is a storm coming like the last one. Mayor Klein told Chief Shore to make a note of this.

Mayor Klein then recognized Kimberly Lee of 7745 Menard who said she never received a letter from Com Ed. She said she felt she was with Com Ed and was told if she wants to go with Eligo she can call the Mayor's office and get their phone number.

**DEPT. OF  
ADMINIS-  
TRATION**

Mayor Klein thanked everyone for coming and acknowledged their plights and said he hopes there would be some good results after continuing their talks with the Metropolitan Sanitary District and Cook County.

Mayor Klein then acknowledged the Reavis students in the audience and asked them to come up front after the meeting is adjourned and have their class papers signed by anyone sitting at the front table or at the Council table.

**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 Piznarski to adjourn was agreed upon by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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**PATRICIA E ROACH, CITY CLERK**

**APPROVED** \_\_\_\_\_



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The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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