

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 8, 2007 - 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Nolan called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag. Clerk Wells called roll. Aldermen present: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. Also present were Treasurer Meseck, City Administrator Nelson, Chief Kazy-Garey, Community Development Director Santeler, Supt. Public Works Kruckenberg, Gary Rozwadowski of Smith Engineering and City Attorney Carlos Arévalo.

SWEAR IN NEWLY ELECTED CITY OFFICIALS

The newly elected City Officials were sworn in by City Clerk Andy Wells as follows:

Brian Leyden	Ward 1 Alderman
Debra Szczap	Ward 2 Alderman
Ricky Adams	Ward 3 Alderman
Darrell Perkins	Ward 4 Alderman

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Bob Formella, 118 Galvin Parkway, addressed the City Council with respect to the property that borders the west side of Park Pointe Subdivision which he thought was in the process of foreclosure and inquired about the current zoning classification of the property and what the notification procedures were in the event that a zoning map amendment to re-classify the property was sought. Community Development Director Santeler indicated that the subject property is zoned R1. Administrator Nelson stated that a reclassification of the property would require a zoning petition before the Planning and Zoning Commission which involves a public hearing, notice in the Northwest Herald and notification of adjoining property owners via certified mail.

REGULAR AND YEAR END CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF 04/24/07 - APPROVED

Moved by Perkins, seconded by Logan to approve the Regular and Year End City Council Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2007. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Logan, Adams, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION/EAGLE SCOUT AWARD/RODERICK KLEIN - APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Marzahl to approve a Certificate of Recognition to Roderick Klein who has earned the rank of Eagle Scout/Boy Scout Troop #171. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION/REPRESENTATIVE JACK FRANKS – APPROVED

Moved by Perkins, seconded by Adams to approve a Certificate of Recognition to Representative Jack Franks who has been instrumental in securing two State of Illinois DCEO grants for the City for a pavilion at Northfield Avenue Park (\$25,000) and to remodel the Police Radio Room (\$35,000). Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Adams, Logan, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT/2007 MFT ROAD PROGRAM – APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Marzahl to approve a Resolution Awarding the Contract for the 2007 MFT Road Program to Curran Contracting Company at their low bid of \$93,064.66 and authorizing the Mayor to sign all associated documents. Administrator Nelson reported that the contractor is scheduled to start on May 21st with completion by Milk Days. Roll call vote: Leyden, aye; Marzahl, aye; Ulmer, aye; Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye and Hay, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE MAY AS CLICK IT OR TICKET MONTH - APPROVED

Moved by Perkins, seconded by Ulmer to approve a Proclamation Designating May as “Click It or Ticket” Safety Belt Awareness Month. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Logan, Adams, Perkins and Hay. Motion approved eight to zero.

457 PROGRAM/AUTHORIZE ADMINISTRATOR NELSON TO EXECUTE CONTRACT - APPROVED

City Administrator Nelson reviewed his memo reference an add on option for an additional provider to the City's 457 (b) Plan. Moved by Perkins, seconded by Marzahl to authorize Administrator Nelson to sign contracts with the Hartford Co. and Edward D. Jones, Inc. Roll call vote: Marzahl, aye; Ulmer, aye; Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Hay, aye and Leyden, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Hay reviewed the Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes of May 1st, 2007.

Overnight Parking

The Committee discussed implementing a city-wide overnight parking ban on public roadways and reviewed a memo from Administrator Nelson and Community Development Director Santeler outlining recommendations in the event that the City Council approved a city-wide ban. The general consensus was for Administrator Nelson to prepare a draft ordinance for Committee review by May 22nd to approve a city-wide overnight parking ban which would include criteria for variation and permit procedures. Chairman Hay will call an Ordinance Committee Meeting for May 29th to review the draft ordinance at which time a public hearing will be scheduled for resident input and discussion.

Review of Section 2.06, Term of Office

The Committee discussed Administrator Nelson's recommendation to amend Section 2.06, Term of Office to resolve the discrepancy between local ordinance and state law, to read as follows:

~~The inauguration of newly elected officers shall be held at the close of the year end meeting.~~

The inauguration of newly elected municipal offices shall commence at the first regular or special meeting of the corporate authorities during the month of May following the proclamation of the results of the regular municipal election at which the officers were elected.

Clerk Wells recommended adding language that the term of office does not end until a qualified candidate is duly seated per the State of Illinois Election Code. After further discussion, the Ordinance Committee recommends to the City Council that Section 2.06 be amended, pending review by the City Attorney.

Moved by Hay, seconded by Logan to approve the Ordinance Committee's recommendation and Ordinance 2007-112, Amending Section 2.06, Term of Office. Roll call vote: Ulmer, aye; Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Hay, aye; Leyden, aye and Marzahl, aye. Ordinance 2007-112 approved eight to zero.

Chairman Hay called an Ordinance Committee Meeting for May 29th, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the draft ordinance for overnight parking.

SCHEDULE FINANCIAL WORKSHOP

Chairman Logan called a Financial Workshop for Saturday, June 16th at 8 a.m. to discuss fees/developments.

CONSENT AGENDA:

☛ Harvard National Honor Society/Permission to Place Signs in Yards as part of a Fund Raiser

Moved by Logan, seconded by Adams to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Logan, Adams, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ALD. LOGAN - BILLS APPROVED

Moved by Logan, seconded by Perkins to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$254,722.82. Roll call vote: Szczap, aye; Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Hay, aye; Leyden, aye; Marzahl, aye and Ulmer, aye. Motion approved eight to zero.

Alderman Logan mentioned that there will be an Identity Theft Seminar at the Harvard Diggins Library on Wednesday, May 9th at 7 p.m. put on by the Harvard Savings Bank and the Harvard Police Department.

ALD. ULMER – PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING 05/16/07

Alderman Ulmer called a Public Property Committee Meeting on Wednesday, May 16th, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the incubator building and future use of grant funds.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Nolan congratulated the newly elected officials and reviewed the status of the Downtown Streetscape Concept Plan which is scheduled for 2009. The Concept Plan can be viewed on the City’s website.

The next McHenry County Council of Governments Meeting is Wednesday, May 23rd, at Govnor’s Pub in Lake in the Hills.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Nelson noted his written report in the aldermen’s folders. The City is working towards refinancing SSA#5 with an estimated savings per residents of \$28 per year per house; should be on the next City Council Agenda. The bid opening for the Northfield Avenue Lift Station is Wednesday, May 16th; the project should be under construction in August/September.

CLERK’S REPORT - UPCOMING MEETING DATES

May 16	Public Property Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
May 22	Regular City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
May 29	Ordinance Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Arévalo reported that he met with the Mayor and City Administrator on various matters.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTS

Smith Engineering & Dept. Heads: Reports as submitted

Gary Rozwadowski of Smith Engineering reported that the Marengo Road Improvements will also be completed by Milk Days.

SWEAR IN NEW POLICE OFFICER

Chief Kazy-Garey introduced candidate Todd Oczus for position of police officer. Moved by Marzahl, seconded by Perkins to approve the hiring of Todd Oczus as a police officer for the City of Harvard. Roll call vote: Adams, aye; Logan, aye; Perkins, aye; Hay, aye; Leyden, aye; Marzahl, aye; Ulmer, aye and Szczap, aye. Motion approved eight to zero. Officer Oczus was then sworn in by City Clerk Wells. Officer Oczus will leave for Police Academy on Monday, May 14th, 2007.

NO REPORTS

Aldermen Hay, Perkins, Adams, Szczap, Ulmer, Marzahl and Leyden had no report at this time.

At 7:16 p.m., moved by Logan, seconded by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Aldermen voting aye: Leyden, Marzahl, Ulmer, Szczap, Logan, Adams, Perkins and Hay. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Andy Wells,
City Clerk

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