

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

**REGULAR MEETING
City Council of the City of Calumet City
Cook County, Illinois**

JANUARY 8, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers in a regular meeting on Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 7

ALDERMEN: Gonzalez, Wosczynski, Jones, Wilson, Tarka,
Manousopoulos, Pallick

ABSENT: 0

ALDERMEN: None

Also present were City Clerk Gloria L. Dooley, City Treasurer Michael Zimmerman, City Attorney Montana, City Engineer Wiedeman, Communications Director Schneider and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was in order.

Approval of minutes

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Gonzalez, to approve the minutes of December 22, 2008 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Tarka had no report. He advised the city council that there will be a Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Public Safety

Alderman Wosczynski had no report.

Public Utilities

Alderman Gonzalez had no report.

Ord. & Res. Alderman Jones had no report.

H.E.W. Alderman Wilson had no report.

Permits & Licenses Alderman Pallick had no report.

Public Works Alderman Manousopoulos had no report.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Ald. Wosczyński - report Alderman Wosczyński encourages residents during the next weekend due to snow and very cold temperatures to check on their neighbors especially senior citizens to make sure they have heat.

New squad car face Alderman Wosczyński announced to the residents the new face of the city police squads are black and white.

Ald. Jones - report Alderman Jones reminded the residents of River Oaks Estates that there will be a meeting at the police department on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 12:30 p.m. Any residents needing more information contact his office at 891-8193.

Prepare resolution/ Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to prepare Resolution

Helping Hands Organization for Helping Hands Organization which provide toys and gifts for the holiday season.

MOTION CARRIED

Prepare resolution/ Thornton Township Food Program Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to prepare a Resolution for the Thornton Township Food Program and Christmas Toy Drive Program.

MOTION CARRIED

African American Heritage Celebration - 2/7/09 Alderman Jones announced to the residents that on Saturday, February 7, 2009 is the African American Heritage Celebration held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at T. F. North High School. The celebration will feature the live musical performance by the KCR Ensemble Jazz Band. The admission is free. Registration for the event is required. To reserve free tickets contact the Mayor's Office at (708) 891-8105. The registration deadline is Friday, February 2, 2009. More information will be mailed out to all the residents.

Ald. Wilson - report Alderman Wilson advised that many of the Pace Bus Stop locations along Sibley Boulevard have been relocated from the corners to the middle of the blocks. He has received complaints from the residents regarding the snow and ice. He will be working with the public works department to make sure the bus stops are clear so residents can have solid footing to go to their respective homes.

Prepare resolution/
Terry Nellemann

Alderman Tarka moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to prepare a Resolution for Terry Nellemann of Terry's Motors of 573 Burnham Avenue for his community service.

MOTION CARRIED

Ald. Pallick - report

Alderman Pallick advised that she has been receiving calls from residents regarding street lights that are going on and off. She is working with Com Ed to resolve the problem. Contact her office at 891-8197 with concerns regarding street lights.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

City Clerk Dooley/
submitting monthly report

Submitting Monthly Report for the month of December, 2008.

Accept & place on file

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Gonzalez, to accept the communication and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Prepare ordinance/
531 Wentworth Avenue

Accept the Finding of Fact and Recommendation for the rezoning of the property at 531 Wentworth Avenue and direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for the next meeting.

Approve new business

Alderman Gonzalez moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve new business item as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Res. #1: commending
Bernadine Manor

Resolution commending Bernadine Manor for donating to the less fortunate.

Ord. #2: handicap parking
by adding: 53 State St.
(Ord. #09-1)

Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Handicap Parking, by adding: 53 State Street. (see attached page 3A)

Ord. #3: establishing Used
Motor Vehicle Sales
Licensing Regulations
(Ord. #09-2)

Ordinance amending Chapter 54 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, Establishing Used Motor Vehicle Sales Licensing Regulations. (see attached page 3B)

Table Resolution #1

Alderman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczynski, to table Resolution #1 for the next council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

Adopt Ordinances

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to adopt the ordinances as presented, without the necessity of prior posting.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7	ALDERMEN: Wosczynski, Jones, Wilson, Tarka, Manousopoulos, Pallick, Gonzalez
NAYS: 0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 0	ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Remit payment/KRC Calumet City 836/ \$53,083.35

Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to KRC Calumet City 836, Inc. in the amount of \$53,083.35 representing the city's 50% share of sales tax received by the city for the accounting period July 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008; to be charged to the Corporate Fund - Contractual Obligations line item #010-99-2-696.

Transfer \$30,000 to 2007 Note Project Debt Service Fund

Authorize the City Treasurer to transfer \$30,000.00 to the 2007 Note Project Debt Service Fund from the Water System Improvement Project to the 2007 Note Project Debt Service Fund.

Remit payment/Scot Decal/ \$6,711.11

Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Scot Decal Company in the amount not to exceed \$6,711.11 for the 2009-2010 vehicle stickers; to be charged to account #010-22-3-200.

Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$1,264.25

Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$1,264.25 for Forsythe Avenue Improvement; to be charged to MFT account #040-07-2-689.

Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$1,106.00

Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$1,106.00 for 2008 Miscellaneous Engineering ; to be charged to account #010-99-2-600.

Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$366.00

Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$366.00 for new traffic signals @ River Oaks Mall Entrance No. 1 & 2; to be charged to the 2007 Capital Project #115-40-5-110.

Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$2,620.50

Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$2,620.50 for Calumet City Emergency Flood Control Setting; to be charged to account #010-99-2-912.

<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$2,407.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$2,407.00 for Calumet City Emergency Flood Control; to be charged to account #010-99-2-912.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$3,000.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$3,000.00 for Police & Fire Station II Parking Lot Improvements; to be charged to the 2008 Captial Project account #117-60-5-600.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$14,000.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$14,000.00 for River Oaks Drive @ Paxton Avenue Intersection Improvement; to be charged to the MFT account #040-07-2-910.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$8,295.78</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$8,295.78 for Rock Salt; to be charged to MFT account #040-07-2-456.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$2,000.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Paxton Avenue from 158 th to River Drive; to be charged to MFT account #040-07-2-688.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$1,028.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$1,028.00 for Ring Road Temporary Traffic Signals; to be charged to 2008 Capital Project #117-98-5-600.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$270.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$270.00 for State Street Combination Sewer Generators; to be charged to account #030-36-2-345.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$5,477.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$5,477.00 for Pump Station Rehabilitation ; to be charged to 2007 Note Project Account #116-35-5-600.
<u>Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$1,883.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering in the amount of \$1,883.00 for River Drive at 159 th Street; to be charged to account #030-36-2-110.
<u>Approve payroll</u>	Approve payroll (\$805,827.86)
<u>Approve bill listing</u>	Approve bill listing (\$313,520.74)
<u>Approve legal bill listing</u>	Approve legal bill listing (\$32,988.15)
<u>Remit payment/Ray O'Herron/\$18,750.00</u>	Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Ray O'Herron in the amount of \$18,750.00; to be charged to account #010-60-5-115.

Transfer \$500,000 from 2008 Special Capital Project to Corporate Fund

Authorize the City Treasurer to transfer \$500,000 from the 2008 Special Capital Project fund to the Corporate Fund for reimbursement of General Liability insurance premiums and claims (settlements); Worker’s Compensation claims (settlements); paid by the City Treasurer during the four month period September 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 (transfer represents the 2nd of three (3) transfers for FY09)

Approve financial matters authorize City Treasurer to remit payment

Alderman Tarka moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve financial matters as presented and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate accounts.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7	ALDERMEN: Jones, Wilson, Tarka, Manousopoulos, Pallick, Gonzalez, Wosczyński
NAYS: 0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 0	ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Traffic signals/River Drive

Alderman Pallick asked the City Engineer to give a status regarding the traffic signals on River Drive.

Status/River Drive traffic signals

City Engineer Wiedeman stated that the design has been completed and the documentation for the two easements have been completed and sent to Attorney Gianopolus to obtain easements. He also stated they are looking for a spring installation date.

Commend police department

Alderman Gonzalez commended the police department for monitoring the stop signs and intersections within the First Ward.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 7:40 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Wosczyński and seconded by Alderman Gonzalez.

MOTION CARRIED

Gloria L. Dooley, City Clerk

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