

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING
City Council of the City of Calumet City
Cook County, Illinois
AUGUST 13, 2015

Public Comment There was no public comment.

CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers at City Hall in a regular meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 5 ALDERMEN: Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Munda, Collins
ABSENT: 2 ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

Also present ere City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Engineer Roberts, City Attorney Horvath, Police Chief Gilmore and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

Mayor - statement Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I would like to state that Alderman Williams contacted me today and asked for an excused absence. He is a little immobile on crutches. He asked for that.

I understand that Alderman Manousopoulos is not going to be present this evening."

Approval of minutes Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve the minutes of 12/29/14, 2/10/15, 6/8/15, 6/11/15, 6/16/15, 6/25/15, 7/16/15, 7/20/15, 7/22/15 & 7/27/15 as presented.

Alderman Schneider: "I would like to table one of the minutes on the agenda."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “Ok how about if we remove the motion from the floor please.”

Withdraw motion

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to withdraw the motion approving minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

Table 12/29/14 minutes

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to table the minutes of 12/29/14 until the next meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of minutes

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Woscyznski, to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Woscyznski: “Thank you Mayor. On Thursday, July 30, 2015 there was a public hearing regarding the appropriation ordinance.

There a special meeting that followed where the appropriation was approved. A copy of the meeting is available in the city clerk’s office.”

Public Safety

Alderman Manousopoulos was absent.

Public Utilities

Alderman Jones: “Thank you Mayor no report. But I will be calling a regular meeting in the upcoming weeks. I will check with the aldermen and their schedules.

There are three items on the agenda which I will send. It will after the Labor Day holiday.”

Ord. & Res.

Alderman Collins had no report.

H.E..W.

Alderman Williams was absent.

Permits & Licenses

Alderman Schneider had no report.

Public Works

Alderman Munda had no report.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

City Clerk - report

City Clerk Figgs: "I would like to announce a few upcoming events. The City Clerk's Office along with Thornton Township Assessor Cassandra Holbert would like to invite you to a Thornton Township Property Tax Appeal Seminar on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. here at City Hall.

The event is co-sponsored by Thornton Township Supervisor Frank Zuccarelli and Mayor Michelle.

There will be sponsored by the City Clerk's Office and State Representative Marcus Evans a Shred Day on Saturday, September 12, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the city hall parking lot. The event is also co-sponsored by Mayor Michelle.

I would like to take this time to thank all the Calumet City residents who participated in the Animal Clinic this week. It was very successful. It was a pleasure serving you and your pets.

Calumet City is definitely pet friendly."

City Treasurer - report

City Treasurer Tarka; "Item #7D on the agenda tonight I submitted an addendum to our Accounting Policies that the City Council approved in the past. This is at the request of the Department of Justice with regard to complying with their grant reporting.

The Mayor, City Clerk Figgs, myself and Alderman Wosczyński had the pleasure of attending the grand opening, ribbon cutting of the Calumet City Public Safety Training Center.

It is quite a facility and it is going to benefit all the members of our Public Safety community as well as the public at large. Thank you."

Mayor - report

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Thank you. I was going to report on that. Yes it is a great facility and I invite all the council members to take a look at it. It is not only going to be a great benefit for our public safety departments, fire, police and ESDA but also other cities public safety departments.

I encourage everyone to take a tour of facility it is very nice."

2nd Ward Summer Block Mtg - 8/15/15

Alderman Wosczyński announced the last 2nd Ward Summer Block Meeting will be held on the corner of Manistee and 153rd Street on Saturday, August 15, 2015 at 10 a.m. She encourages residents to attend.

2nd Ward school supplies 8/15/15

Alderman Wosczyński announced on Saturday, August 15, 2015 she will be distributing school supplies to the 2nd Ward school aged children at the Calumet City Public Library. A report will be given at the next council meeting.

Amend handicap parking
by deleting: 605 Exchange

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to amend the handicap parking ordinance by deleting: 605 Exchange Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED

Thank residents

Alderman Jones thanked the residents who came to his office for appointments and those who contacting him regarding ward issues.

Alderman Jones encourages residents to contact his cell phone at (708) 417-1262 or contact ward office at (708) 891-8193 with ward issues.

Speed bumps - 3rd Ward

Alderman Jones stated that his office received many calls regarding speed bumps. There is a communication on the agenda tonight.

Alderman Jones at a previous council meeting made a motion to install speed bumps on Luella Avenue which borders the 3rd and 4th Ward.

He encourages residents to be patient while the installation of the speed bumps are being done. He encourages drives to be safe and slow down the streets.

Alderman Jones stated the requirements that he requests for speed bumps are signatures from the neighbors to make sure they are in agreement.

3rd Ward Street Cleaning

Alderman Jones stated that public works will be in the 3rd Ward for street cleaning by next week. Signs will be posted and residents should adhere to them.

Grass cutting Bishop Ford

Alderman Jones reported that the state has cut the grass along the Bishop Ford/Dolton Avenue.

Connecting Communities
to Illinois Business event
8/18/15

Alderman Jones announced on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 his office along with Central Management Services and Representative Will Davis will be having a Connecting Communities to Illinois Business Opportunities.

The event is for any business owners who wants to do business with the State of Illinois It will be held at South Suburban College from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Central Management will be there in collaboration with his office, Marcus Evans, Representative Riley, Senator Jones, Senator Hastings, Representative Rita and Representative Sims.

Contact the college at (708) 596-2000 to register or his office at (708) 891-8193.

Happy Hour Law

Alderman Jones announced that the State of Illinois passed the Happy Hour Law. Restrictions were sent out for bar owners and restaurants. He encourages the businesses to comply with the new law.

- Taste of Thornton Township 8/22/15 Alderman Jones announced the Taste of Thornton Township on Saturday, August 22, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. He encourages residents to attend the event.
- 7th Ward sidewalk list Alderman Collins announced residents to contact his office if they would like to be placed on the sidewalk list. He has space available.
- Alderman Collins encourages residents to contact his office regarding any hazards in the ward relative to sidewalk replacement. He will be walking the ward.
- Speed bumps Alderman Collins encourages residents to be patient relative to the installation of speed bumps in the ward. A motion has been made and will be installed shortly.
- 8/15/15 - Hoover School Back to School event Alderman Collins announced on Saturday, August 15, 2015, Hoover Schrum will be hosting a Back to School event. He encourages residents to donate supplies to help the children in the school district. The event is from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Contact ward office Alderman Collins encourages residents to contact him at ward office at (708) 891-891-8197 or cell at (708) 360-9207 regarding ward issues or city services.
- City Clerk present award - Vehicle sticker art entry form design At this time in the meeting, City Clerk Figgs presented an award to Sataya Hale as the first place winner for the 2015-2016 Vehicle Sticker Art Entry Form Design. The theme was "Calumet City is Pet Friendly." Her art work is displayed on city stickers this year.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

- City Clerk Figgs/submitting monthly report Submitting Monthly Report for June, 2015.
- City Treasurer Tarka/submitting Investment Report for quarter ended June 2015 Submitting Investment Report for Quarter Ended June 2015.
- Comcast/channel line-up Changes to channel line-up.
- City Treasurer Tarka/submitting addendum to Accounting Policies Submitting Addendum to Accounting Policies.
- Finance Director Kasperek/health insurance rate increase RE: Health Insurance Rate Increase per the collective bargaining agreements.
- Roy Hamilton/speed bumps RE: Speed bumps for Luella Avenue between Stewart and Harding.

Accept & place on file

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczynski, to accept the communications and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

#1: Harbor Mobile Home Site Accept the recommendation from Robinson Engineering and direct the Affordable Communities Group (Management Company for Park Harbor Mobile Home Site) to provide the City of Calumet City and Robinson Engineering with contract plans and specifications, signed and sealed by an Illinois Licensed Professional Engineer along with IEPA (and other applicable permits) for review.

#2: Approve tag day

Approve tag day request for the First Baptist Church of South Holland for August 14, 2015 and August 20, 2015 at the intersection of River Oaks Drive & Torrence Avenue. (approved by the police department)

#3: Approve tag day

Approve tag day request for the Children's Home Center for August 21, 2015 at the intersections mentioned in the communication. (approved by the police department)

Approve items #1 thru #3

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to approve items #1 thru #3 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

#4: Reconsider motion police promotions

Reconsider a motion to authorize the Police & Fire Commission to promote the following in the police department; effective 7/20/15 due to Captain David Wojcik's retirement: (1) Lieutenant to Captain; (1) Sergeant to Lieutenant & (1) Patrolman to Sergeant; direct the City Treasurer to make the proper payroll adjustments.

#5: Approve motion not to approve police promotions

Approve a motion not to promote a Lieutenant to Captain, Sergeant to Lieutenant and Patrolman to Sergeant, due to the retirement of Police Captain David Wojcik.

Discussion police promotions Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Collins your question about item #4."

Alderman Collins: "Yes Mayor, is this to reconsider is to undo action that was already taken."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The motion that was made at the last city council meeting was to do promotions due to a retirement. During the recent review of the appropriation ordinance, Finance Director Kasperek stated we have an extra captain.

He is supposed to tell me how that happened. The ordinance in the code book allows for so many captains and somehow we had an extra Captain. Because of the retirement we were supposed to address that at the last meeting.

Unfortunately I wasn't present because I was ill. Alderman Manousopoulos forgot to remove this item from the agenda. The only way to undo the previous action is a motion to reconsider and then a motion not to promote.

Alderman Collins: "Is this an item that can go to committee?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "If it is not addressed this evening that it is approved. The only time you can reconsider a motion is at the next city council meeting after the motion is made."

Alderman Schneider: "What is item #5."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Item #5 would be a motion not to promote. Once you the motion to reconsider is done then the motion would be not to promote.

So the City Council does not wish to take action on item #4 then we can remove from the agenda."

Remove item #4 & #5

Alderman Collins moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to remove items #4 & #5 from the agenda.

Alderman Jones; "City Attorney why weren't we notified of this prior to the meeting tonight. This is an action that impacts our budget and this an action that has other ramifications

Why would we notified of the magnitude of this before tonight's meeting. I got the agenda but we got the agenda on Tuesday night."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Jones, I don't know that it is a question for the City Attorney.

The question is probably more for the Finance Director and I believe it was going to be discussed at the last meeting. Again, I was not present unfortunately and it did not occur.

The only impact is that we have been carrying a Captain for sometime and he is supposed to tell us why that is.

He is the monitoring faction of this. I can't answer that question. So, at this point if we vote on the motion that is at hand and then we ask our Finance Director."

Alderman Jones: "I think it is proper to address this to the City Attorney's office because it has other ramifications. If you are saying that we have an extra Captain and we approved the salary ordinance."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The appropriation ordinance reflects the extra Captain. The salary ordinance doesn't reflect the union personnel.

The appropriation ordinance I believe and I don't have a copy and I don't know what the number is. I can tell you that last year, the appropriation ordinance for the number of Captains did not match the police department chapter in the Municipal Code book for the number of Captains.”

Alderman Jones; “It is permissible to go into Executive Session to discuss this item?”

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush; “No,”

Alderman Jones; “You are telling us the implications that if we don't approve this it goes into effect, correct.”

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “That is correct.”

City Attorney Horvath: “If you do not reconsider, then vote not to promote, then the action that was taken at the last meeting would go into effect and the promotions would go forward.”

Alderman Jones: “That would mean our budget would be blown. Right now we are \$17,000.00 above. If we approve this action, we will be \$170,000.00 negative.”

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “I have a question Treasurer Tarka, do you have a signed copy of the appropriation ordinance. Do you know the number of Captains reflected.

City Treasurer Tarka: “Mayor, I have a copy in the office. Just to reiterate what you said. If you approve items #4 & #5, the budget will be correct. If you do not approve items #4 & #5 then the promotions will take effect and then the budget will be in red that we approve, because of the promotions that was passed in error at the last meeting.”

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “The appropriation ordinance reflects the correct number of the chapter of the code book that designates the numbers of Captains, Lieutenants, Sergeants, etc.”

City Treasurer Tarka: “Aldermen, as close as I can discern, sometime during the course of the last fiscal year, there was a retirement in the police department and then a motion was made for the Police & Fire Commission to promote. Somehow we ended up with an extra Captain. We are trying to rectify it by making these two motions tonight.”

Alderman Jones: “There has been a promotion already from this?”

Alderman Wosczyznski: “No.”

City Attorney Horvath: "At the last meeting Alderman, the motion to authorize the promotion was adopted. If that motion is not reconsidered and reversed, so to speak, then the promotion will go forward.

If it is reconsidered and then #5 is adopted then there will be no promotion. That is what is happening. They are trying to undo the motion that was adopted at the last meeting mistakenly, before a promotion is required to be made which will then allow for the continuation for the existence of the number of captains in excess of the number allowed by the municipal code and per the appropriation ordinance.

Alderman Jones: "So this doesn't have implications on personnel or potential litigation."

City Attorney Horvath; "Not at this point. Not if you reconsider. You have a right to reconsider."

Alderman Jones: "We don't have all the facts"

City Attorney Horvath: "No one has been promoted. That is the fact. The only other fact is that the motion that was adopted at the last meeting was apparently adopted in error.

Alderman Jones: "Who made the motion at the last meeting."

City Attorney Horvath: "Alderman, I think it was part of the consent agenda."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The motion on the floor is to delete item #4 & #5.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Collins, Schneider
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Wosczynski, Munda
PRESENT:	1	ALDERMAN:	Jones
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION DID NOT CARRY

City Attorney Horvath: "You have (2) yeas, (2) nays (1) present. There is no majority. The motion fails."

Alderman Jones: "The Mayor could vote in the case of a type breaker."

City Attorney Horvath: "The Mayor does not have to vote."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "There is no tie."

Alderman Jones: "Conveniently now the Mayor doesn't have to vote."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Jones, there is no tie. You are present, you are a non-vote. You would go with the majority but since it is 2-2. You are not even voting."

Alderman Jones: "If you guys explain. I am sorry we are playing a 2 million dollar attorney operation to not tell us before we get to this meeting. You don't have to respond. You are not a voting member of this. I am talking now. I have the floor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Jones, I have the floor because I am running the meeting. I am recognizing you."

Alderman Jones: "Thank you. So we come before this and you are telling me that this doesn't have legal implications on it when we made a decision at the last council meeting to reconsider. You don't even know who made the motion on this issue and we got this in the budget.

We are already \$17,000.00 that we have this in our budget. We are a 67 million dollar operation, \$17,000.00 and you are telling me this doesn't have an impact on our budget. I asked you one simple question and you gave me three different answers."

City Attorney Horvath: "I didn't give you three answers. First of all, I take offense at your saying. If you look at your minutes, which you approved this evening you can then determine who made the motion.

Number two, I sat here at the last meeting no one told me anything about objecting to the motion at the time. It is not my prerogative to vote, nor it is my prerogative to tell the city council what it should be doing on a consent agenda if know one asks me.

You did not ask me nor did any other aldermen. Now this evening, I tried to explain to you. There is no legal ramification at this point in time. If the motion to reconsider does not go forward and is not adopted. Then number 5, the motion not promote, it does not go forward or is not adopted then the promotions will take place in the police department.

If the motion to reconsider is made and is approved and then number 5 is made and approved there will be no promotion. It negates what took place at the last meeting. Doing it in this fashion is the legal and the correct way.

If you want, I don't create the agenda, if you have questions about the agenda, you certainly can call, you have done that in the past, without any compunction, and we have answered your questions.

What you prefaced your remarks with at the beginning, I take issue with."

Alderman Jones: "You can take issue with all you want too, all I am saying that you have an item on the agenda and if you polled every aldermen at this meeting and asked them if they understand the ramifications of these motions I guarantee you we don't the facts number one and the impact on our budget which is \$17,000.00.

But I am not going to belabor this point. I asked you a simply question. You were at the last meeting. I shouldn't have to look at the minutes to know who made the motion. I asked you who made the motion.

It is on there for reconsideration."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Minutes are not here this evening, however, I believe it was a unanimous vote of the city council. I believe you were here Alderman Jones.

To move this issue forward, if we could have a motion with regarding #4, if you don't agree with it you vote no and then it takes the action it is going to take."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Do I have a motion with regarding to item #4 on the agenda.

Pass items #4 & #5

Alderman Wosycznski moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to pass items #4 & #5 as presented.

Alderman Schneider: "Point of order. Didn't we just vote no on both of this."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "You voted to delete and remove from the agenda and it didn't pass."

Alderman Jones: "Could you restate the motion that is on the floor now."

City Clerk Figgs; "The motion is to approve items #4 & #5 as presented."

Alderman Munda; "If we had voted on the items on the agenda in the first place with a majority vote of yes in the favor of the items on the agenda. Then the motions #4 & #5 would have passed and the budget not have been effected.

It would have actually passed the way that we passed the budget with a positive number that we passed a balanced budget with our revenue. What was the number?"

City Treasurer Tarka: "Passing items #4 & #5 as presented is budget neutral."

Alderman Munda: "So the budget is the way we passed at the budget meeting. If we voted on Alderman Collins' motion to remove from the budget and that motion passed then it would reflect an unbalanced budget and throw the budget into the red. Am I correct."

City Treasurer Tarka: "I am not going on the record saying it would go into the red, because these are increases in salary but they are incremental increases so I don't have the incremental increases. It would raise the amount of the budget."

Alderman Munda: "But we definitely know that we passed item #4 & #5 with a majority vote that the budget would be right where we left it when we went to the public hearing and passed it."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Correct."

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Munda, Wosczyński
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Collins, Schneider
PRESENT:	1	ALDERMAN:	Jones
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

After the discussion below the Mayor voted yes.

MOTION CARRIED

City Attorney Horvath: "You have (2) yeas, (2) nays. You can break the tie if you break the tie, the vote of present is with the majority."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I want to do the present vote like Alderman Jones and take the easy way out. What if I vote present."

Alderman Jones; "Thanks for that comment. It is not the easy way out. I will give you an easy way out. If the City Attorney provides me with a legal opinion in writing saying that this item is legal that we are doing tonight. I will vote yes.

I will give you an easy way out Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "No Alderman, you took the easy way out."

Alderman Jones: "No I am not taking the easy way out. Because I was elected just like you were Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Present is no vote Alderman. I am running the meeting Alderman, finish your comments."

Alderman Jones: "You said I am taking the easy way out. My suggestion to the City Attorney you give me this is in writing that this item has no legal impact and also that it is not going to impact our budget. I will vote yes for it, since you said I am taking the easy way out Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I will vote yes."

City Attorney Horvath; "Motion carries. Items #4 & #5 motion to reconsider is adopted and the motion not to promote is adopted."

BUILDING PERMITS

FENCE - PRIVACY

316 Madison - 3rd Ward

273 Madison - 3rd Ward

323 Memorial - 1st Ward

1394 Gordon - (variance) - 6th Ward

Approve permits

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Collins, to approve building permits as presented, contingent upon approval from Alderman Manousopoulos for 1394 Gordon Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Res. #1: congratulating Lillian Cloud

Resolution congratulating Lillian Cloud on her 100th birthday on October 22, 2015.

Table resolution #1

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to table Resolution #1 until the next meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

Res.#2: congratulating Douglas Higgins (Res. #15-28)

Resolution congratulating Douglas Higgins on his retirement and for his years of service to Lincoln Elementary School District No. 156. (see attached page 13A)

Res. #3: amending (Res. #11-53) (Res. 15-29)

Resolution (amending Res. #11-53) conveyance of surplus real estate in Calumet City, Illinois, and authorizing the City Clerk and/or Corporation Counsel to execute all documentation necessary to effectuate said conveyance of real estate. (see attached page 13B)

Res. #4: appropriating \$272,625.14 MFT funds (Res. #15-30)

Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (appropriating \$272,625.14 of MFT Funds) for additional expenditures for the fiscal year 2014-2015 (MFT close out) (see attached page 13C)

Ord. #5: amending Chap. 6

Ordinance of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, amending Chapter 6 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois. (Alcoholic Liquor - Class B-H)

Ord. #6: amending Chap. 2

Ordinance of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, amending Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Illinois. (Administration)

A resolution

RES. #15-28



adopted by *The City Council*
of the *City of Calumet City, Illinois*

Presented by Mayor Michelle and City Council on August 13, 2015

Whereas

DOUGLAS HIGGINS was employed by Lincoln Elementary School District No. 156, Cook County, Illinois as a full-time Principal beginning August 1, 2002; and

WHEREAS, DOUGLAS HIGGINS demonstrated a high degree of professional competence and conscientious dedication in the performance of his duties and in the general furtherance of the education of the children of this School District; and

WHEREAS, DOUGLAS HIGGINS took great pride in initiating the following programs for students at Lincoln Elementary School during his tenancy:

- The Student of the Month Program for the purpose of encouraging positive character traits; and
- Tiger Taken Stone & Program for the purpose of encouraging positive behavior and
- The Read to Succeed Program and Quarterly Raffle Program that honor students who score 100% on Accelerated Reader Tests. The goal for both of these programs is to encourage reading; and

WHEREAS, after approximately 13 years in the field of education at Lincoln Elementary School, DOUGLAS HIGGINS has now retired at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

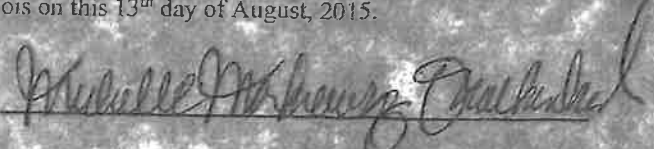
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its Home Rule Powers, as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, on behalf of themselves and the entire community, do hereby extend their sincere appreciation to DOUGLAS HIGGINS for his many years of dedicated and excellent service to the children of Lincoln Elementary School District No. 156 and wish to thank him for the many valuable contributions he made to the advancement of the educational programs in the School District during his employment.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law; and that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to DOUGLAS HIGGINS.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 13th day of August, 2015.


Nyota T. Figg, City Clerk


Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, Mayor

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

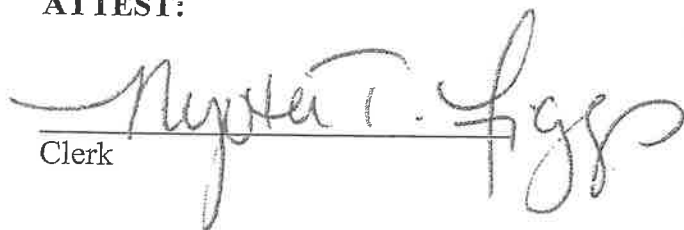
1. That Resolution No. 11-53, which approved the conveyance of surplus real estate pursuant to Section 18-36 of the Calumet City Code, is hereby amended so as to add an additional parcels, to-wit:
 - 30-08-110-012 & 013-0000, 453 Price Avenue, 33.3' residential, vacant, requested by Mark and Karen Bolton of 445 Price Avenue, Calumet City, IL.
2. Resolution No. 11-53 in all other respects remains in full force and effect and is not modified by this Resolution.

PASSED this 13th day of August, 2015.

APPROVED:


Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk



BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Illinois, that there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$272,625.14 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code from May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2015

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that only those streets, highways, and operations as listed and described on the approved Municipal Estimate of Maintenance Costs, including supplemental or revised estimates approved in connection with this resolution, are eligible for maintenance with Motor Fuel Tax funds during the period as specified above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall, as soon as practicable after the close of the period as given above, submit to the Department of Transportation, on forms furnished by said Department, a certified statement showing expenditures from and balances remaining in the account(s) for this period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall immediately transmit two certified copies of this resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation, at Schaumburg, Illinois.

I, Nyota T. Figgs Clerk in and for the City of Calumet City, County of Cook

hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, perfect and complete copy of a resolution adopted by

the Mayor and City Council at a meeting on August 13, 2015

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of August, 2015

(SEAL)

Handwritten signature of Nyota T. Figgs

City Clerk (City, Town or Village)

Approved Regional Engineer Department of Transportation Date

Ord. #7: Handicap parking
(Ord. #15-32)

Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, by adding: 611 Gordon Avenue, 419 Sibley Blvd, 558 Harrison, 510 Freeland & 330 Madison Avenue. (see attached page 14A)

Ord. #8: handicap parking
(Ord. #15-33)

Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, by deleting: 1501 Lincoln Place.
(see attached page 14B)

Alderman Collins: "Resolution #3 is a city owed property, right?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Yes, it is conveying the 25 foot lot to the property owner adjacent as we have done in the past."

Alderman Collins: "I would like to see this go to committee in the future."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "25 foot lots as you aware of Alderman can't be built on. In the past, they have been deemed surplus property and then they are given to the property owners on both sides who are most likely 25 foot lot property owners as well.

That gives them an opportunity for us to put those properties back on the tax rolls."

Alderman Collins: "I definitely understand what it is for. I would just like to see these go to committee. Just so you can have more information. Resolution #6 is my next question, I want to take that separately."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Actually item #5 & #6, I wanted to refer those to Ordinance & Resolution."

Alderman Collins: "Thank you Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Could you amend your motion Alderman Jones and Alderman Schneider, that those two be referred to Ordinance & Resolution Committee for review."

Refer Res. #5 & #6
to Ordinance & Resolution
Pass resolutions & adopt
ordinances

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to refer Resolution #5 & #6 to the Ordinance & Resolution Committee for review and pass Resolutions #2 thru #4 and #7 & #8 as presented, without the necessity of prior posting.

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 15-32

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 90-317 (Handicapped parking) of Article V [Stopping, Standing and Parking] of Chapter 90 [Traffic and Vehicles] of the Municipal Code of Calumet City, Illinois, is hereby amended by adding the following language to subsection G (Signed areas) to read, as follows:

611 Gordon Avenue

419 Sibley Boulevard

558 Harrison Avenue

510 Freeland Avenue

330 Madison Avenue

Section 2. The Commissioner of Streets and Alleys is hereby authorized and directed to install the proper signs in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

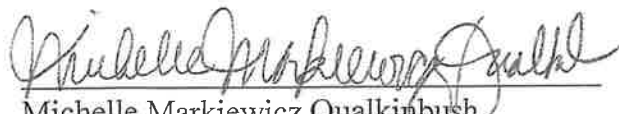
Section 4. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

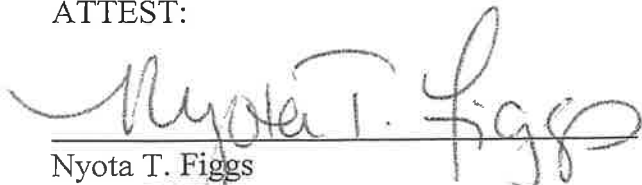
ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois this 13th day of August, 2015 pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Schneider	X			
Wosczynski	X			
Jones	X			
Williams			X	
Munda	X			
Manousopoulos			X	
Collins	X			
(Mayor Qualkinbush)				
TOTAL	<u>5</u>		<u>2</u>	

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 13th day of August, 2015.


 Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
 MAYOR

ATTEST:


 Nyota T. Figgs
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1501 Lincoln Place

Section 2. The Commissioner of Streets and Alleys is hereby authorized and directed to remove such signs in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance.

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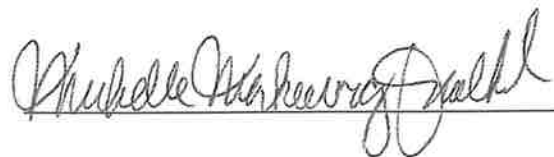
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Jones	X			
Williams			X	
Munda	X			
Manousopoulos			X	
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TOTAL	<u>5</u>		<u>2</u>	

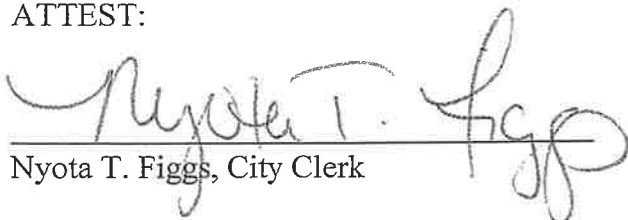
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Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, Mayor

ATTEST:



Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	5	ALDERMEN:	Collins, Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Munda
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Refer item #3 Finance

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to refer item #3 regarding awarding the bid for the Sibley Boulevard Multi-Use Trail Installation.

MOTION CARRIED

#1: Award bid/Piekarski & Sons/Tree Removal

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to accept the recommendation from Robinson Engineering and award the bid for Tree Removal to the low bidder Arbor Care (Piekarski & Sons) in the amount of \$35.00/unit diameter. (Public Bid Opening held on 6/23/15 at 2:30 p.m. at city hall)

ROLL CAL

YEAS:	5	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Munda, Collins
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

#3: Award bid/J & J Newell MFT Sidewalk/\$155,260.00

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to award the bid for the MFT Sidewalk and Concrete Program to the low bidder J & J Newell Concrete Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$155,260.00 (Public Bid Opening held on 8/4/15)

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	3	ALDERMEN:	Wosczyński, Munda, Schneider
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Jones, Collins
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

City Attorney Horvath: "Mayor, you must vote this is a financial matter."

The Mayor voted yes.

MOTION CARRIED

#4: Award bid/Continental Construction Co/emergency sod/landscaping

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to accept the recommendation from Robinson Engineering and award the bid for Emergency Sod and Landscaping to the low bidder Continental Construction in the amount of \$15.00/square yard (sodding, special) & \$15.50/square yard (Sodding, Salt Tolerant, Special) (Public Bid Opening held on 8/4/15)

Alderman Collins: "Mayor, I had a question before the motion to the City Engineer. This was only one bid. What do we do in a case of one bid. Do we ever re-bid."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "We did re-bid this. We first went out to bid and no one submitted bids. Then we went out for bid again and apparently one person bid. If you want us to try for a third time, we can."

Alderman Collins: "No Mayor that is fine."

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Munda, Collins
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

#5: Approve settlement/Cherry v. Cap case

Alderman Collins moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve the settlement payment of \$30,000.00 in the Kenneth Cherry v. Pamela Cap, 14C 4689 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate account.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Jones, Munda, Collins, Schneider, Wosczyński
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

#6: Remit payment/Greener tree Enterprises/\$7,459.60

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve payment to Greener Enterprises in the amount not to exceed \$7,459.60 for disposal of wood chips from public works yard; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01041-52141.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 3
NAYS: 2
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Munda, Schneider, Wosczyński
ALDERMEN: Collins, Jones
ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

Mayor voted yes.

MOTION CARRIED

#7: Remit Payment/Tierra Environmental/\$7,957.50

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve payment to Tierra Environmental in the amount not to exceed \$7,957.50 for sewer cleaning at 911 River Oaks Drive and 906 Williams Street; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #03036-52111.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	3	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Wosczyński, Munda
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Collins, Jones
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor voted yes.

#8: Remit payment/Rush Truck Centers/\$5,780.42

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve payment to Rush Truck Centers in the amount not to exceed \$5,780.42 for repairs to Unit#21; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01041-54150.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	5	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Munda, Collins
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

#9: Remit payment/J & J Newell/\$8,432.00

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve payment to J & J Newell in the amount not to exceed \$8,432.00 for concrete & asphalt repair due to a water main repair at 1299 Drive; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #03036-52349.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	3	ALDERMEN:	Wosczyński, Munda, Schneider
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Jones, Collins
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor voted yes.

#10: Robinson MWRD Reporting Requirements

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve Robinson Engineering to begin the MWRD Reporting Requirements for the existing sewer system within the city limits at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-52600.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	5	ALDERMEN:	Wosczyński, Jones, Munda, Collins, Schneider
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

#11: Remit payment/J & J Newell/\$6,996.00

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve payment to J & J Newell in the amount not to exceed \$6,996.00 for sewer repair at 163rd & State Line Road in the amount not to exceed \$8,700.00 for sewer repair and at 384 Paxton Avenue; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #03036-52102.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:;	3	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Wosczyński, Munda
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Jones, Collins
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor voted yes.

#12: Remit payment/Chicago Southland/\$622.30

Alderman Collins moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau in the amount of \$622.30 in accordance with Resolution #02-40 (rental or lease charges collected from January through April); charge to account #01099-52696.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	5	ALDERMEN:	Jones, Munda, Collins, Schneider, Wosczyński
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

#13: Remit payment/JM Industrial Services/\$8.200

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve the emergency demolition of 1130-156th Place; due to fire in the amount of \$8,200 to JM Industrial Services, Inc.; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01099-52645.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:	3	ALDERMEN:	Munda, Schneider, Wosczyński
NAYS:	2	ALDERMEN:	Collins, Jones
ABSENT:	2	ALDERMEN:	Williams, Manousopoulos

Mayor voted yes.

MOTION CARRIED

#14: Approve buy-back Captain D. Wojcik

Approve buy-back for Captain Dave Wojcik in the amount as stated in the amount as stated in the communication; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate account.

#15: Approve City Treasurer's Emergency Payments/\$4,280.00

Approve the City Treasurer's Emergency Payments in the amount of \$4,280.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to the following and charge to the following accounts; Good Burger (\$1,600.00); #01099-52725; South Side Tent Rental (\$400.00) #01099-52724; Stilesink (\$200.00) #01099-52724; Trophys Are Us (\$360.00) #01099-52724 & Wise Guys Printing (\$1,720.00) #01099-52725.

#16: Approve City Clerk attendance 2015 Municipal Clerks Institute

Approve City Clerk attendance to the 2015 Municipal Clerks Institute & Academy which includes registration/hotel/travel per diem; all necessary documentation will be provided.

#17: Approve payroll

Approve payroll (\$828,258.16)

#18: Approve bill listing

Approve bill listing (\$571,157.37)

Approve financial matters #14 thru #18

Alderman Collins moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve financial items #14 thru #18 as presented.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2

ALDERMEN: Wosczynski, Jones, Munda, Collins, Schneider
ALDERMEN: None
ALDERMEN: Williams, Manousopoulos

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Happy birthday Mom

Alderman Collins wished his mother a Happy Birthday.

Approve block party/100 Block Webb Street 8/29/15

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve a block party on the 100 block of Webb Street between Wentworth & Legion Drive on Saturday, August 29, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; direct the public works department to provide barricades and trash receptacles; direct the necessary proper public safety personnel.

MOTION CARRIED

Ald. Munda - statement

Alderman Munda; "I would like to comment on my votes this evening so that the residents in the 5th Ward understand. It was not an easy vote for me to make. It definitely has implications for certain individuals in the department.

It was my duty as an elected official and legislature to ensure that the budget that we passed and the public hearing that we held to pass a balanced budget remained balanced. Voting against that would have thrust us into a deficit. That was the more important thing this evening.

I know some people may be disappointed with my decision but it was the decision that I made and that was in the best interests of the residents. Thank you."

Help with utility bills

Alderman Jones stated residents have been calling his office relative to help with utility bills. He encourages residents to visit Thornton Township thru August 17, 2015 for hardship cases to speak with CEDA and Com Ed representatives relative to assistance.

Disaster relief scams

Alderman Jones encourages residents to be aware of scams going thru the area regarding disaster relief. They must have a permit to solicit.

Thanking donations

Alderman Jones thanked sponsors for their donations to the 3rd/4th Ward cookout. He thanked Pepsi and Frito Lay for donating the 1,000 pops and 1,000 bags of chips; also Walgreens for their donation.

Speedy recovery

Alderman Jones wished Alderman Williams a speedy recovery on his surgery.

Ald. Jones - statement

Alderman Jones: "My colleague mentioned the budget. Last year I voted against the budget because I felt like there is a lot of games being played with the budget. This year I voted for the budget but voted against the appropriation ordinance which contains some of the items for who ever voted for it tonight.

Why I don't support some of the changes that were done in the appropriation ordinance, I do support the budget. I believe that this budget \$17,000.00 or whatever was the result of hard work that each and everyone of us put it into it.

I don't agree with some of the items that are in the appropriation ordinance. That is why I voted against the appropriation ordinance and voted for the budget

Last year I voted against the budget, because there were some many games being played and so many community item that were axed out by this administration.

So tonight yes, I took those actions because I don't feel we got the right answers before during this meeting. That is why I voted, thank you and thank you to my colleagues."

Ald. Wosczyński - statement

Alderman Wosczyński: "I also would like to address this issue here this evening. I wanted all residents as well as public safety to know that I did not maliciously vote the way I did. I voted with my conscious.

The ordinance states (4) captains. We did not provide the funding for it in the appropriation. That is the only reason I did support the items on the agenda this evening. Thank you."

Thank residents/sponsors

Alderman Schneider thanked all the neighbors, family and friends in the area that attended the National Night Out Against Crime on August 4, 2015. Thank you to all the sponsors, Sam's Club, ADT and Nicky's Gyros and many other sponsors.

Executive Session

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing discipline of a specific individual.

MOTION CARRIED

(The City Council met in Executive Session from 8:23 p.m. to 8:35 p.m.)

Return - regular order

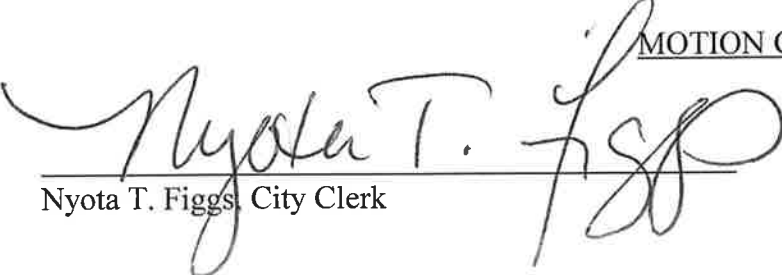
Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Collins, to return to the regular order of business.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 8:36 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Munda.

MOTION CARRIED



Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

/rb