



## REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

### Finance

Alderman Wosczyński: “The Finance Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Alderman Leni Wosczyński in the city council chambers on Thursday, August 2, 2012 at 7:04 p.m.

In attendance were Alderman Manousopoulos, member, Alderman Wilson, member was absent. Also in attendance were Alderman Munda, City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, George Vallis, Tom Rybarczyk, Mr. David Hoover and the press.

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to recommend Sungard to be placed on the next city council agenda.

After presentation by David Hoover and discussion from the committee, Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to recommend to pass a Resolution to put this matter on the November ballot for the residents to decide. This item will be placed on the next council agenda for passage.

This electricity aggregation could save the residents and small businesses up to 40 percent. Should the non-binding referendum pass, anyone that does not want to participate can opt of this program.

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

### Public Safety

Alderman Manousopoulos had no report.

### Public Utilities

Alderman Jones had no report. He will be calling a meeting in the next couple weeks. He will be asking for agenda items from his colleagues. There are three items pending. Com Ed will come out and address electrical outages and some of the things they are doing with their smart grid meters. I will have the agenda available in the next couple weeks for my colleagues to review.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: “Maybe the City Engineer can make sure that the Concrete Water Tank issue is put on the committee agenda to explain to the council.”

### Ord. & Res.

Alderman Collins had no report.

### H.E.W.

Alderman Schneider had no report.

### Permits & Licenses

Alderman Wilson had no report.

### Public Works

Alderman Munda had no report.

## **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

### Mayor's report

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I would like to thank the Finance Committee for expeditiously reviewing and recommending the Electric Aggregation Referendum. This is a great opportunity for the city to save the residents money on their electrical bills. I thank you for moving quickly to get that matter before you so that it can be placed on tonight's agenda to be voted on and put on the referendum. Thank you Finance Committee and City Council, I appreciate your hard work on this matter."

### Ald. Schneider - report

Alderman Schneider thanked all the residents attending the National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at Memorial Park. He thanked the police department and Officer Jeff Newberg for putting it all together.

### Approve block party Greenbay Avenue 9/15/12

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve a block party on September 15, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Greenbay Avenue from 153<sup>rd</sup> Street to Pulaski Road; notify the proper public safety personnel and direct the public works department to provide barricades and trash receptacles to 695 Greenbay Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED

### Labor Day Parade - 9/3/12

Alderman Schneider announced the Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 3, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the corner of Michigan City Road and Wentworth and marches north to Memorial Park. Any community group or individual interested in being in the parade contact Memorial Park at (708) 862-6443. The park district's theme this year is Generations of Fun, celebrating the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the park district.

### Ald. Wosczyński - report 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward neighbor to neighbor meeting

Alderman Wosczyński announced that she will be meeting on Monday, August 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the corner of Breclaw and Muskegon Avenue for the summer neighbor to neighbor meeting.

### School supply giveaway 8/18/12 @ library

Alderman Wosczyński announced on Saturday, August 18, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the Calumet City Library, she will giving away school supplies to 50 students from the second ward who will be randomly picked. Anyone interested email [mwosczyński@calumetcity.org](mailto:mwosczyński@calumetcity.org) The email should be sent by Monday, August 13, 2012 with the following information: parent's name, address, phone, email, children's name. The parents will be notified if their child has been chosen.

### Thank Memorial Park District reconstruct Commissioners Park

Alderman Wosczyński thanked Memorial Park District for reconstructing the playground at Commissioners Park. It was attended by many residents in the area.

### Power Outage second ward 8/4/12

Alderman Wosczyński stated on Saturday, August 4, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. the power went out from Sibley to State, the east side of Manistee and the west side of Muskegon. The power was restored by Sunday, August 5, 2012 at 8:30 p.m.

Request Mayor send letter  
Com Ed/power outages

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to direct the Mayor's office to send a letter to Commonwealth Edison regarding the cause of the power outage on Saturday, August 4, 2012 around 4:00 p.m. at the following locations in Calumet City; east side Manistee to west side of Muskegon from Sibley to State Street - Escanaba and Exchange from State to Cleveland.

MOTION CARRIED

Ald. Jones - report  
Com Ed trim trees

Alderman Jones stated that Com Ed will address the committee regarding outages throughout the city. Com Ed is in the alleys trimming the trees on power lines. All the aldermen should have received a list of all the areas that they will be working.

Thank residents  
contacting ward office

Alderman Jones thanked the residents for contact his office regarding issues in the ward. He encourages residents to visit the third ward website at [thirdwardcalumetcity.org](http://thirdwardcalumetcity.org) fill out form and send request back via email.

Third Ward Cookout  
9/8/12

Alderman Jones announced the Third Ward Cookout is being re-scheduled for Saturday, September 8, 2012 at Children's Home Center at 1652 Dolton Road. Notices will be sent to the residents. Any residents that need school supplies and book bags are available at his office.

Vietnam Veterans drop  
box @ 1910 Sibley Blvd.

Alderman Jones announced that his office in conjunction with the Vietnam Veterans Association and Pete's Fresh Market at 1910 Sibley. He thanked all residents for making donations to support the organization. They are open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Wounded Warrior Program

Alderman Jones announced that the fire department started the Wounded Warrior Program by selling red shirts for \$15.00. They can be purchased at Fire Station II or contacting (708) 891-8153 or his office at (708) 891-8193.

Illinois Hardest Hit Program

Alderman Jones announced the Illinois Hardest Hit Program for residents that have lost their homes. The program helps residents pay up to 6 months of the mortgage. For more information his office has flyers or contact him at (708) 891-8193.

Illinois Tax Seminar  
7/31/12

Alderman Jones announced a correction for Tax Appeal Seminar on July 31, 2012 was at 6:30 p.m. at South Suburban College. He apologized to any resident that received the wrong information. Contact his office and they will personally route through the Cook County Assessor's office.

Senior tax exemption

Alderman Jones advises senior citizens that every year they have to apply for senior tax exemption.

<u>HIV Prevention Program</u>	Alderman Jones announced that the State of Illinois recently provided cuts to the HIV prevention program. He also stated that the Illinois lottery has a program for breast cancer. Illinois also has a Red Ribbon Program which is \$3.00 which goes to HIV Aides prevention and education. Tickets can be purchased on-line.
<u>6<sup>th</sup> Ward Cleanup</u>	Alderman Manousopoulos stated at the next council meeting he will be announcing the 6 <sup>th</sup> Ward Cleanup and flyers will be sent to the residents.
<u>7<sup>th</sup> Ward Day trip to Potawatomi - 8/14/12 morning</u>	Alderman Collins announced the 7 <sup>th</sup> Ward Day Trip to Potawatomi on Tuesday, August 14, 2012. Residents interested in participating the deadline is Saturday August 11, 2012. The bus leaves at 8:15 a.m. and return around 6:00 p.m. Contact his office at (708) 891-8197 for more information.
<u>7<sup>th</sup> Ward Summer Soiree 8/18/12</u>	Alderman Collins announced the 7 <sup>th</sup> Ward Summer Soiree on Saturday, August 18, 2012 at Leona's Restaurant from 6:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The event is free and open to residents of the 7 <sup>th</sup> Ward. He encourages residents to bring school supplies to donate to needy children in the community. For more information contact his at (708) 891-8197.
<u>Tax Appeal Summit</u>	Alderman Collins stated that Thornton Township is not open to appeal property tax assessments. Another forum will be scheduled within the coming months and residents will be notified.
<u>Arthur Street project</u>	Alderman Collins thanked the residents of Arthur Street due to the paving of the street. He thanked the Mayor and City Council for helping him with the funding along with the Park of River Oaks.
<u>Congrats Taylor family</u>	Alderman Collins congratulated the Taylor family for receiving scholarship and Simone Taylor who was a winner of the 7 <sup>th</sup> Ward Essay Competition.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE**

<u>City Clerk Figgs/submitted monthly report July, 2012</u>	Submitting Monthly Report for July, 2012.
<u>Comcast/additions to channel line-up</u>	RE: Additions to channel line-up.
<u>Comcast/additions to channel line-up</u>	RE: Additions to channel line-up.
<u>Robinson Engineering cost estimate - temporary traffic safety humps</u>	ER: Cost estimate - temporary traffic safety humps.
<u>Finance Director Kasperek/health insurance rate increase</u>	RE: Health Insurance Rate Increase per the collective bargaining agreements.

Police Chief Gilmore/traffic study/northeast corner Michigan City Rd. & Campbell Avenue RE: Traffic Study for northeast corner of Michigan City Road & Campbell Avenue

Police Chief Gilmore/traffic study/intersection of Manistee & Cleveland RE: Traffic Study for intersection of Manistee & Cleveland.

City Treasurer Tarka/re: Investment Report quarter ended 6/3/12 RE: Investment Report for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2012.

Accept & place on file Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to accept the communication and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Refer to City Attorney Allen v. Calumet City Refer to City Attorney - Hope Allen and all similarly situated employees of the City of Calumet City, Plaintiff v. the City of Calumet City, Illinois, a unit of local government and Michelle Qualkinbush, in her individual capacity, George Vallis, in his individual capacity, Nick Manousopoulos, in his individual capacity and Roger Munda in his individual capacity, Brian Wilson, in his individual capacity, Edward Gonzalez, in his individual capacity.

Approve new business Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wilson, to approve new business items as presented and refer to City Attorney.

MOTION CARRIED

## **BUILDING PERMITS**

FENCE - PERMITS  
334-156th Place - 5<sup>th</sup> Ward  
501 Superior Avenue - 7<sup>th</sup> Ward

Approve permits Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve building permits as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

Res. #1: proclaiming August 12-18, 2012 as Illinois Municipal Treasurer's Week

Resolution proclaiming the week of August 12-18, 2012 as Illinois Municipal Treasurer's Week. (see attached page 7A)

Read in entirety

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to read the Resolution #1 in its entirety.

MOTION CARRIED

Pass Resolution (Res.#12-34)

Alderman Wilson moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to pass Resolution #1 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Ord. #2: handicap parking by adding: 1428 Shirley Dr. (Ord.#12-34)

Ordinance amending Chapter 90, Handicap Parking, by adding: 1428 Shirley Drive. (see attached page 7B)

Ord. #3: approving plat resubdivision/1777 River Oaks Drive (Ord. #12-35)

Ordinance approving a Plat of Resubdivision for the property located at 1777 River Oaks Drive. (see attached page 7C)

Ord. #4: amending Chap. 10 Impoundment Fee (Ord. #12-36)

Ordinance amending Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois. (see attached page 7D)

Ord. #5: referendum on 11/6/12 election/supply of electricity (Ord. #12-37)

Ordinance providing for and requiring the submission of a proposition to the voters of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, at the General Election to be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012 authorizing the City of Calumet City to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not Opted Out of such program. (see attached page 7E)

Adopt ordinances

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

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7

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

NAYS: 0

ALDERMEN: None

ABSENT: 0

ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- #1: Remit payment/Donald O'Connor/\$2,500.00      Approve the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward website in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Development Program and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Donald O'Connor and charge to account #010-99-2-724.
- #2: Remit payment/Cook County Treasurer/\$1,738.79      Direct the City Treasurer to reissue payment to the Cook County Treasurer in the form of a cashier's check in the new amount of \$1,738.79 for the property Tax due on 104-156th Street; payment to be charged to account #010-01-1-117.
- #3: Remit payment/Chicago Southland/\$1,239.30      Direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to the Chicago Southland Convention & Visitor's Bureau in the amount of \$1,239.30; to be charged to account #010-99-2-696.
- #4: Remit payment/Casey Equipment Co/\$8,450.00      Approve the purchase of equipment for public works from Casey Equipment Co. in the amount not to exceed \$8,450.00; to be charged to account #010-41-5100.
- #5: Remit payment/Insituform/\$237,956.76      Approve the Combined Sewer Cured-In Place Pipelining and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Insituform Technologies in the amount of \$237,956.76 and charge to account #030-36-5-127. (Bid awarded at 9/12/11 council meeting)
- #6: Remit payment/Loyola University Chicago/\$1,395      Approve the attendance of City Clerk Figgs to Women's Leadership at Loyola University Chicago in the amount of \$1,395.00 and direct the City Treasurer to to remit payment to Loyola University Chicago in the amount of \$1,395.00; to be charged to account #010-22-2-300.
- #7: Approve Settlement Authority Request/DiFiori v. Calumet City      Approve the Settlement Authority Request for Thomas DiFiori v. Calumet City Case 05 WC 50534 in the amount as stated in the communication and authorize the City Treasurer to remit and charge to account #010-50-1-130.
- #8: Approve payroll      Approve payroll (\$838,056.60)
- #9: Approve legal bill listing      Approve legal bill listing (\$55,941.23)
- #10: Approve bill listing      Approve bill listing (\$366,178.15)
- Approve financial matters      Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to approve financial matters items #1 thru #10 as presented.

**ROLL CALL**

YEAS:            7	ALDERMEN:      Jones, Wilson, Munda, Manousopoulos, Collins, Schneider, Wosczyński
NAYS:           0	ALDERMEN:      None
ABSENT:        0	ALDERMEN:      None

**MOTION CARRIED**



#11: Approve agreement/  
Sungard Public Sector  
(\$179,759.00)

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve agreement with Sungard Public Sector, Inc. for the upgrade and training for city wide computer system software; in the amount of \$179,759.00 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #010-99-5-120.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6	ALDERMEN: Wilson, Munda, Manousopoulos, Collins, Schneider, Wosczynski
NAYS: 1	ALDERMAN: None
ABSENT: 0	ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

#12: Authorize Holland  
Asphalt/install traffic safety  
bumps

Authorize Holland Asphalt to install traffic safety bumps on Madison Avenue from State Street to Stewart, Paxton Avenue from State Street to Stewart Avenue and Luella from State Street to Stewart; to be charged to account #010-41-3-304.

#13: Approve attendance  
City Clerk Figgs/2012

Approve attendance of City Clerk Figgs to the 2012 Municipal Clerk of Illinois Conference on September 23-28, 2012 in Springfield and direct the City Treasurer to issue a check to City Clerk Figgs in the amount of \$1,500.00 for conference/hotel/travel; to be charged to account #010-22-2-300.

Discussion traffic safety  
bumps

There was discussion regarding the installation of traffic safety bumps.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7	ALDERMEN: Munda, Manousopoulos, Collins, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Wilson
NAYS: 0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 0	ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

Approve purchase temporary  
traffic safety bumps/Holland  
Asphalt/\$13,650.00

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Collins, to approve the temporary traffic safety humps in the amount of \$13,650.00 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Holland Asphalt and charge to account #010-41-3-304.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 7	ALDERMEN: Manousopoulos, Collins, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Wilson, Munda
NAYS: 0	ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 0	ALDERMEN: None

MOTION CARRIED

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Thank public works dept. Alderman Collins commended the public works department for the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Cleanup.
- Best House on Block Contest Alderman Munda announced any 5<sup>th</sup> Ward resident interested in participating in Best House on the Block Contest until August 20, 2012 contact (219) 989-7881.
- Amend handicap parking by adding: 227 Pulaski Rd. Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Wilson, to amend the handicap parking ordinance by adding: 227 Pulaski Road.

MOTION CARRIED

- Happy Birthday Stanley Miller Alderman Munda wished Stanley Miller a Happy 55<sup>th</sup> Birthday.
- Math & Science camp Alderman Jones thanked the children that participated in the Math & Science camp. He thanked Faith Family Future Church in South Holland for hosting the camp.
- Thank Safari Life daycare & Children's Home Center Alderman Jones thanked Safari Life Daycare in Lynwood and Children's Home Center in Calumet City for participating the McClain County Farm visit.
- Disorderly house ordinance Alderman Jones encourages residents to use the disorderly house ordinance regarding issues about a specific property.
- Thank Target & Nicky's Alderman Schneider thanked Target and Nicky's Gyros for being sponsors on the Night Out Against Crime.
- Thank Supervisory Frank Zucarrelli Alderman Wosczyński thanked Thornton Township Supervisor Frank Zucarrelli for donating the bus for the National Night Out Against Crime.

## ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 8:16 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Manousopoulos and seconded by Alderman Wosczyński.

MOTION CARRIED

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Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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