

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

MAY 24, 2012

Public Forum

The following individuals spoke before the public forum held at 7:30 p.m.

Deborah Shegog, 561 Forsythe Avenue, announced the 500 block Forsythe block club held on Saturday, June 16, 2012. She thanked Alderman Schneider and City Clerk Figgs for helping them.

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, May 24, 2012 at 7:31 p.m. with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 5	ALDERMEN: Schneider, Wosczyński, Munda, Manousopoulos, Collins (7:34)
ABSENT: 2	ALDERMAN: Jones

Also present were City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Attorney Montana, City Engineer Roberts and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

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

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I would like to report that Alderman Jones is in Springfield as our State Representative and is still in session. He sends his regrets for not being here tonight. Alderman Wilson is ill tonight and will not be in attendance at the meeting."

Approval of minutes

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve the minutes of May 10, 2012 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

<u>Finance</u>	Alderman Wosczynski had no report.
<u>Public Safety</u>	Alderman Manousopoulos had no report. "I will be scheduling a joint committee meeting with Finance to discuss possible purchase or lease of new police squad cars."
<u>Public Utilities</u>	Alderman Jones was absent.
<u>Ord. & Res.</u>	Alderman Collins was absent.
<u>H.E..W.</u>	Alderman Schneider had no report.
<u>Permits & Licenses</u>	Alderman Wilson was absent.
<u>Public Works</u>	Alderman Munda had no report. Public Works is working diligently to combat the high grass in the city. He suggest residents cut their grass because the city inspectors will be going out issuing tickets for not complying with the ordinance. Public Works Department is cutting all foreclosure property in the city."
<u>Ald. Collins entered mtg.</u>	Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Let the record reflect that Alderman Collins is present.
<u>Ord. & Res.</u>	Alderman Collins had no report.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

<u>Spaghetti dinner - 5/30/12 @ VFW Post 8141</u>	Alderman Schneider announced that the V.F.W. Post 8141 will be holding a all you can eat spaghetti dinner on Wednesday, May 30, 2012 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For more information contact (708) 862-7913.
<u>Finneran Pool Family Night - 6/8/12</u>	Alderman Schneider announced that the Memorial Park District is hosting a Finneran Pool Family Fun Night on Friday, June 8, 2012 from 6-9 p.m. There will be games and craft activities. The park district will be raffling off two family pool passes for the summer and 24 daily passes for the summer. The cost is \$2.00 per family.
<u>Calumet Memorial Park District Summer/Fall</u>	Alderman Schneider announced that all residents will be receiving in mail the Summer/Fall Fun Guide 2012. There are many new youth and senior programs. It is also the park districts 90 th year. Any information regarding the park district is available at www.mycmpd.com
<u>Health Fair update</u>	Alderman Wosczynski advised that she will have a report for the health and wellness fair.

<u>Recycling report</u>	Alderman Wosczynski advised that she will also have a report from ACME regarding shredding and electronic collection.
<u>Outdoor party @ 660 Saginaw Avenue</u>	Alderman Wosczynski advised that the resident at 660 Saginaw will be having an outdoor party with music. She advised by ordinance that the music outside must stop by 9 p.m.
<u>Fifth ward cleanup</u>	Alderman Munda thanked public works for their help and residents that participated in the fifth ward cleanup on May 19, 2012.
<u>6th ward sidewalk list</u>	Alderman Manousopoulos advised residents to contact his office at (708) 891-8196 to be put on the sidewalk list. He will submit the list to the City Engineer next week.
<u>Flower planting - 5/26/12 Henry & Michigan City Rd.</u>	Alderman Collins announced a flower planting on Saturday, May 26, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the corner of Michigan City Road and Henry in memory of the late Alderman Cindi Pallick.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

<u>City Clerk Figgs/advising sale 2012/2013 vehicle stickers</u>	Advising that 2012-2013 vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by May 31, 2012.
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<u>City Clerk Figgs</u>	City Clerk Figgs: "The last day to purchase city stickers is Thursday, May 31, 2012. The office will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. from now until May 31, 2012. Please come in and purchase city sticker to avoid the long lines on the last day."
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<u>Accept & place on file</u>	Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to accept the communications and place on file.
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MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Approve tag day/Calumet City Thunderbolts</u>	Approving tag day request for Calumet City Thunderbolts to conduct tag days at various intersections. (approved by the police department)
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<u>Approve tag day/Windy City Trendsetters</u>	Approving tag day request for Windy City Trendsetters on May 26, 2012 and July 26, 2012 at various intersections. (approved by the police department)
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<u>Advertise demolition & debris removal/245-153rd St., 19-154th Pl. & 104-154th Place</u>	Direct the City Clerk to advertise for demolition and debris removal for the properties at 245-153rd Street, 19-154th Place and 104-154th Place. (Specifications prepared by the Department of Inspectional Services and public bid opening will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.)
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Approve new business

Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve new business items as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

GARAGE PERMITS

561 Buffalo - 7th Ward

FENCE PERMITS

650 Douglas - 1st Ward

546 Exchange - 2nd Ward (variance)

465 Superior - 1st Ward

218 Mason - 5th Ward

415 Pulaski - 5th Ward

32-156th St. - 5th Ward

Approve permits

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve the building permits as presented and amended.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Res. #1: amending

(Res. #11-53)

(Res. #12-20)

Resolution amending (Re. #11-53) to add additional parcel 342-155th Place and authorize the Clerk and/or Corporation Counsel to execute all documentation necessary to effectuate said conveyance of surplus real estate.
(see attached page 4A)

Ord. #2: amending

handicap parking by

adding: 611 Gordon

(Ord. #12-23)

Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, handicap parking, by adding: 611 Gordon Avenue.
(see attached page 4B)

Ord. #3: amending

Municipal Code to allow

Video Gaming

(Ord. #12-24)

Ordinance amending the Municipal Code to allow for Video Gaming.
(see attached page 4C)

Res. #4: supporting

submission of one project

to IDOT Enhancement

Program (Res. #12-21)

Resolution of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, supporting the submission of one project to the Illinois Department of Transportation for consideration under the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program.
(see attached page 4D)

Pass Resolutions/adopt

ordinances

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to pass the the Resolutions and adopt the ordinances as presented, without the necessity of prior posting.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 5 ALDERMEN: Wosczynski, Munda, Manousopoulos, Collins, Schneider
NAYS: 0 ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 2 ALDERMAN: Jones, Wilson

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Refund Cook County/ Authorize the City Treasurer to refund \$144,446.98 to the Cook County Collector
\$144,446.98 from TIF III account #303-06-01-110.

Approve attendance Authorize the attendance of Gerald A. Tarka at the Illinois Municipal Treasurer's
Illinois Treasurer's Association Institute to be held in Galena, IL - June 24-26, 2012 and authorize
Conference - June 24-26 the City Treasurer to remit two checks from account #010-24-2-300 as follows:
\$175.00, registration fee payable to Eastern Illinois University IMTA conference
& \$1,000 travel/food/lodging payable to Gerald A. Tarka.

Remit payment/Cook County Authorize the City Treasurer to issue payment for the attached real estate tax
Treasurer/\$28,629.53 bills for city-owned properties; individual checks should be make payable to the
Cook County Treasurer for the bills totaling \$28,629.53; to be charged to account
#010-01-1-117.

Remit payment/Calumet City Approve repair for emergency water main break at 1550 Torrence and direct the
Plumbing/\$5,000.00 City Treasurer to remit payment to Calumet City Plumbing in an amount not to
exceed \$5,000; to be charged to account #030-36-2-349.

Award bid/low bidder/J & J Approve the recommendation from Robinson Engineering and award the bid
Newell/\$145,600 to the low bidder J & J Newell Concrete Contractors for Sidewalk & Concrete
Contractors for sidewalk and concrete program in the amount of \$145,600 and
direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the MFT account.

Award bid/low bidder/ Approve the recommendation from Robinson Engineering and award the bid
North American Salt Co/ to the low bidder North American Salt Company for Rock Salt in the amount
\$236,400 of \$236,400 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the MFT
account.

Award bid/Shepley Award the bid to the Shepley Motor Express for Material Stone in the amount of
Motor Express/\$32,041.52 of \$32,041.52 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to MFT
account.

Approve Settlement Approve the Settlement Authority Request for Todd Sosnowski v. Calumet City
Authority Request/ Case 11 WC 6569 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount
Sosnowski v. Calumet City as stated in the communication and charge to the appropriate account.

<u>Approve payroll</u>	Approve payroll (\$778,199.46)
<u>Approve bill listing</u>	Approve bill listing (\$92,774.12)
<u>Approve legal bill listing</u>	Approve legal bill listing (\$46,362.54)
<u>Approve financial matters authorize City Treasurer to remit payment</u>	Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve financial matters as presented and authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>Sidewalk program</u>	Alderman Collins requested any resident that would like their sidewalk replaced to contact his office.
<u>Grass cutting property</u>	Alderman Collins encourages residents to contact his office regarding grass not being cut in the neighborhood and any suspicious activity in the area contact the police department.
<u>Congratulate graduates</u>	Alderman Collins congratulated all the graduates in Calumet City and wish them a safe summer.
<u>Congratulate Danny</u>	Alderman Collins congratulated Danny on getting his college diploma.
<u>Happy birthday Taylor</u>	Alderman Collins wished his daughter Taylor a Happy 10 th Birthday.
<u>Happy birthday Mr. Munda</u>	Alderman Munda wished his father a Happy 75 th Birthday.
<u>Sidewalk program</u>	Alderman Wosczyński requested any resident that would like their sidewalk replaced to contact her office.
<u>Motorists drive slow</u>	Alderman Wosczyński encourages motorists to drive slow down the streets especially during summer months when children are out of school.
<u>Check in residents during hot weather</u>	Alderman Wosczyński encourages residents to check on their neighbors during hot weather.
<u>Happy Birthday City Engineer Roberts</u>	Alderman Schneider wished City Engineer Roberts a Happy Birthday.

Salute veterans

Alderman Collins and the entire City Council salute veterans and thank them for their service especially remembering them on Memorial Day.

Memorial Day service

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush encourages residents to attend a Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 28, 2012 at 12 noon at the American Legion to honor veterans.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 7:47 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Manousopoulos and seconded by Alderman Wosczynski.

MOTION CARRIED

Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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