#### JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

#### **FEBRUARY 11, 2016**

Public Comment

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

Joe Balkis, 117-155th Street, regarding T.I.F. to lower water bill payments and

garbage pickup.

**CALL TO ORDER** 

Pledge of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met in the City Council Chambers

at 7:33 p.m. at City Hall in a regular meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2016, with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

**ROLL CALL** 

PRESENT:

6

ALDERMEN:

Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Williams, Munda,

Manousopoulos

ABSENT:

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ALDERMEN:

None

Also present were City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Attorney Horvath,

Finance Director Kasperek, Fire Chief Galgan, Economic Development

Coordinator Swanson and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

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

Approve minutes

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to approved the

minutes of 10/26/15, 10/29/15 & 11/10/15 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Table minutes - 12/8/15

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to table the minutes

of 12/8/15 until the next council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance

Alderman Wosczynski had no report.

Public Safety

Alderman Manousopoulos had no report.

Public Utilities

Alderman Jones: "Thank you Mayor. There was a joint meeting held recently with Public Works Committee. The minutes of the meeting should be held by the city clerk's office.

The meeting ended at 9:19 p.m.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The minutes are going to be prepared by the Clerk's Office, because there are a Committee of the Whole, alderman, for the record."

Alderman Jones: "Yes."

H.E.W.

Alderman Williams had no report.

Permits & Licenses

Alderman Schneider had no report.

Public Works

Alderman Munda: "We had a joint committee meeting of the whole. The Public Works Committee portion was item #2 in regards to the contractual agreement with Republic with regards to recycling.

We had a discussion. The minutes are on file in the city clerk's office. In attendance were Alderman Schneider, Alderman Jones, Alderman Williams, Alderman Munda, chairman, Alderman Manousopoulos.

Also in attendance was City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, Finance Director Kasperek, Purchasing/Personnel Director Vallis, representatives from Republic Services and Commissioner Manousopoulos.

There was two hour discussion in regards to that matter as well as Alderman Jones issues on public utilities committee, which are on the agenda as well this evening.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "As a matter of record Alderman Munda, the minutes are not on file in the clerk's office. They are being prepared by the clerk's office.

They will be presented to the council at a future meeting for approval, correct. They haven't been prepared yet or submitted to the council."

Alderman Munda: "They are not on tonight's agenda?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "No, you stated they down on file. I don't want people to come and think they can come and FOI them. They are not prepared or approved."

Alderman Munda: "Ok you will just have to wait until the next council for those to be approved."

#### CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

#### City Clerk - report

City Clerk Figgs: "Good evening Mayor, City Council and residents. I would like to inform to the residents that February 16 is the last day to register to vote for the upcoming Presidential election.

Monday, February 29, 2016 is the first day of early voting. Early voting runs until Monday, March 14, 2016, which includes two Sundays, March 6 & March 13, 2016.

The early vote site is at the Calumet City Public Library, 660 Manistee. The hours are Monday thru Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

March 15, 2016 is the Presidential Primary Election. November 8, 2016 is the General Presidential Election.

## Report/Granicus project & WOW broadcasting

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to request a report at the next meeting for whoever is involved with the Granicus project and why the city's public access channel is not broadcasting to the WOW subscribers in Calumet City.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### Princess Ball/Park District

Alderman Schneider on behalf of the Calumet Memorial Park District thanked the dads and daughters that came out for the annual Princess Ball last weekend. There were over 100 couples. He thanked all the volunteers.

#### <u>Upcoming events/Black</u> <u>Month</u>

Alderman Schneider advised of upcoming events for Black History Month Evolution of Music and Performing Arts on Saturday, February 20, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Sandridge Community Center.

The second event is "When They Began to Sing. A black history soul food dinner which is Saturday, February 27, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at Downey Park. For more information contact (708) 868-2530 or visit <a href="www.mycmpd.com">www.mycmpd.com</a>

Alderman Schneider wished Calumet City a Happy Birthday. Happy Birthday Calumet City Alderman Schneider wished all the residents a Happy Valentine's Day. Happy Valentine's Day Alderman Woscyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to remove Amend handicap parking a handicap sign at 405 Yates Avenue and prepare an ordinance to remove. sign @ 405 Yates Avenue MOTION CARRIED Alderman Woscyznski announced she is sponsoring a Earth Day Club 2016 Earth Day Club 2016 which includes pre-readers thru the ages of 12 at the Calumet City Public Library by March 14, 2016 to sign up. The Earth Day Club will be from March 14, 2016 thru April 2, 2016 for participation and receive a packet with information. Alderman Woscyznski encourages residents to look on neighbors, especially Check on neighbors senior citizens during cold and upcoming snow. Alderman Wosczynski thanked her grandson Michael and family for flowers. Thank family flowers Alderman Wosczynski wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day. Happy Valentine's Day Alderman Jones advised that the President was down in Springfield and discussed Advised President in

Springfield

better politics and better community. It was a historical event that the President addressed the General Assembly.

Ward block clubs

Alderman Jones encourages residents to continue forming ward block clubs to get neighbors to know each other. Contact his office for some of the forms available.

Thank residents

Alderman Jones announced he will be starting something next month when he will be thanking the residents that are involved and who volunteer and get involved every month.

Block Club Mtg -2/23/16

Alderman Jones announced on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 he will be having a meeting with block club presidents and to discuss crime issues in the community at his office at 1910 Sibley Boulevard. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Oaks Estates - 2/25/16

Black History event @ River Alderman Jones announced on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at River Oaks Estates his office in conjunction with other organizations will be having a Black History Program at 5:30 p.m. All residents encouraged to attend.

## Special Veteran's Lottery ticket

Alderman Jones advised that he has been meeting with Superintendents and School District throughout the area regarding the concern of homeless families in the area as well as homeless veterans.

Alderman Jones announced starting next month he will be convene a meeting with Veteran's Organizations and also veterans and filed a House Bill today for the Illinois Lottery to create a Special Veteran's Lottery ticket that will be used to build a homeless shelter in the south suburbs.

He will have more news in June once the bill passes about the school districts and interested participants.

#### Crime in community

Alderman Jones announced that the several months they have had a number of shootings and robberies in the community and has brought to the attention of Public Safety Chairman Manousopoulos and requested a meeting to address the concern.

Alderman Jones announced that he sent a letter to the State Police asking that they contact the chief and also any tactical assistance that they can provide to hold meetings relative to crime.

#### Assistance Cook County Sheriff Police

Alderman Manousopoulos stated that he was in contact with Assistant Chief DiFiori that he is pulling all the officers off of tactical and put them on the robberies and asked for assistance from Cook County Sheriff Police.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush requested that the copy of the letter that was sent to the State Police be distributed to the aldermen so Alderman Manousopoulos can coordinator meetings.

Alderman Manousopoulos requested Alderman Jones to email him the letter and he will set up meetings.

#### Give honor to God

Alderman Williams gave honor to God.

## Resident Only Parking sign @ 635 Merrill Avenue

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to put a "Resident Only" parking sign at 635 Merrill Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED

#### Thank residents Bernadine Manor

Alderman Williams thanked the residents of Bernadine Manor for their warm reception he had for their annual Pre-Valentine's Day event and look forward to seeing them at the Mother's Day event coming in May.

#### Street light repair 4th Ward

Alderman Williams advised the residents that called about the street lights. He had put a request to have them repaired and thanked the residents for being patient.

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

<u>City Clerk Figgs/submitting</u> Submitting Monthly Report for January, 2016. monthly report January, 2016

City Treasurer Tarka/

RE: Revenue & Expense Reports for December, 2015.

Revenue & Expense reports

<u>Calumet City Resources/</u> Thanking City Clerk Figgs and Alderman Woscyznski for their assistance

thanking City Clerk Figgs with the Holiday Toy Drive.

Comcast/channel line-up. Changes to channel line-up.

<u>City Treasurer Tarka/update</u> RE: Electrical aggregation update.

Comcast/channel line-up Additions to channel line-up.

MWRD/status report RE: MWRD Annual Status Report of Greater Chicago.

<u>Calumet City Historical</u> Thanking the city for their grant. thanking city for grant

Accept & place on file Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Woscyznski, to accept

the communications and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

Read #7C entirety Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to read

communication #7C in its entirety.

MOTION CARRIED

(see attached page 6A for communication #7C)

<u>Thank Treasurer Tarka</u> Alderman Wosczynski thanked City Treasurer Tarka for the information regarding

Electrical Aggregation update.

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January 27, 2016

Dear Ms. Figgs,

Please accept our thank-you for the work you have done over the Holiday Season and extend the thank-you to the staff at City Hall in Calumet City.

All the volunteers who work at Calumet City Resources (CCR) and the clients serviced through the CCR are very grateful for your continued support over the Holiday Season. The food stuffs collected helped to keep our shelves stocked and enabled the center to give an extra bag of food to our clients.

It is always heartwarming to be able to give toys out at Christmas. Once again your staff's efforts made that possible for many families in Calumet City.

It is truly a blessing that you and the staff work with Alderman Leni Wosczynski and help the Resource Center to continue to thrive.

Sincerely,

Tom and Marlene Hill

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#1: Approve tag day request Approve tag day request for You Can Make It Outreach Ministry on February 12-13, 2016 at various intersections. (approved by the police department)

> Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve communication #8A-1.

#### MOTION CARRIED

#### #2: Release titles/public works department

Authorize the City Clerk to release titles on vehicles as stated in the communication located at the Public Works facility; also remove from the city insurance.

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve communication #8A-2.

#### MOTION CARRIED

#### #3: Recycling Program

Approve recommendation to continue with recycling for 90 days for sample of how program works and have it monitored by Republic Services for collection aldermen feedback. (Discussed/approved at 2/4/16 Public Works/Public Utilities Committee of the Whole)

Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve item #3 as listed on the communication.

#### **ROLL CALL**

YEAS: 3 NAYS: 3 ALDERMEN:

Wosczynski, Munda, Manousopoulos

ALDERMEN:

Jones, Williams, Schneider

ABSENT: 0

ALDERMEN:

None

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Just for clarification Alderman, the motion that is on the agenda, is that to bring it back to the council to discuss it? This wasn't my motion, apparently this came out of your committee meeting.

Could someone explain the purpose of the motion to me."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "The meeting was, we couldn't take action on it. So the committee members agreed to have it brought back to the full council for approval for a full vote, let's say."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The motion is just to approve the recommendation and bring it back. I am trying to understand the intent of your motion, alderman."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "I didn't type it, so I don't know who typed it?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "In light of the fact, that the council voted 5-1 to go with recycling, I am going to vote no."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Let's back up one second. So you are voting no. So if we are not going to recycle, then we need to give direction to the city attorney as discussed in the committee meeting."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The motion on the agenda, is to approve the recommendation to continue with recycling for 90 days for sample of how program works and have it monitored by Republic Services for collection aldermen feedback.

When I asked you what was the intent of it, was your intent. I am asking you, I didn't make the motion. That is the motion I assume was made."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "I believe there was a dispute on whether this council wanted the recycling or not, so we brought it through committee and discussed it.

The committee members agreed that, let's give it a try, but wanted the whole council to have a chance to vote on it. This is what it is intended too."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Ok Alderman, again what are you asking me?"

Alderman Manousopoulos: "What I am asking you is, if we got 4 no votes and 3 yes votes, do we continue with a 90 day trial or not?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The motion is to recommend to continue and my interpretation of the ordinance."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "To continue with recycling for 90 days."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The council voted at a committee meeting and a regular meeting to choose recycling.

The vote was 5-1 at one meeting and 6."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "I totally disagree with what the council chose Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Attorney, your motion that is on the agenda, alderman is what."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "It is clear what it says on there."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "It is not clear, I asked you to clarify for me Alderman Manousopoulos."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "It says to continue recycling for 90 days

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "We are going to continue, but I am reading that only for 90 days and then come back tot he council."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "20 people could read it and it can be translated 20 different ways, Mayor. I am telling you what I intended."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "So the no votes are saying that we are not going to continue recycling and that we are going to continue it forever?"

Does anyone on the council going to answer that. I am just asking the council, it is a council meeting, excuse me."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "When we had our committee meeting, we discussed allowing, because we didn't think we were bound by the contract.

But we agreed it to try it for 90 days from the committee. That was the committee's recommendation to be brought to the full council for full vote.

Now you are translating one way, City Attorney what way are you going to translate it?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Maybe I can do this, the people who are voting no, are you voting no because you don't want to recycle at all or you don't want to do it for 90 days and come back.

What is everyone else interpretation. Because all I asked you was, your motion is not clear. It is not."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "I am interpreting that I do want to try it for 90 days, give it a try."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Right now, it is in the contract forever. That is where my confusion is."

Thad, you guys are voting no. Are you voting no that you want to keep it going forever or you are voting no because you want it for 90 days?

What is your thought on what you think the motion is?"

Alderman Jones: "For the record, I am voting no, because I don't believe that there is a valid contract and the recycling that was authorized wasn't approved by this city council.

At that meeting, I specifically stated."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I have no vote on this issue. So it is a 3-3 tie, so I guess we can talk about this forever."

Alderman Jones; "So you are going to cut me out from the middle of my explanation, after you asked me for an explanation."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman, you also voted at that committee meeting of December 8, you were one of the yes votes for recycling.

So I am confused because the council voted 5-1 in favor of recycling and now we are saying we don't want to recycle. I am confused and I am looking for the council to give me direction.

Because clearly we all have a different interpretation."

Alderman Jones; "So Mayor, I will give it to you then. So you signed a contract without authorization from the."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "That is untrue alderman. So don't spread lies."

Alderman Jones: "Are you going to let me talk, or are you going to talk over me. You call on me, I have a floor and now you are going to talk over me.

Am I allowed to continue?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Sure, you can give your opinion Alderman."

Alderman Jones: "At the meeting of this past meeting, the issue was to discuss the contract didn't have the language authorizing. The contract for recycling was supposed to be brought back to this city council but never happened,

I didn't approve a recycling contract. The last meeting, this recommendation was placed on this agenda says as a carrot that the city council because the City Attorney Burt Odelson stated that could negotiate the contract,

It was section 27 of the contract."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush; "That is correct."

Alderman Jones; "That says that we can negotiate, this motion was based on that negotiation that says, if you want to negotiate with Republic, Republic can give us negotiation, the committee of the whole recommended that it be continued for 90 days.

After the 90 day period, the council can back and say no, we don't want to continue with recycling. That is the explanation."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "For the record, I am going to tell you that you were given a legal opinion because I absolutely had the opinion of the attorneys that I was completely within my legal right to sign that contract.

So moving forward. That didn't happen alderman, you didn't get that letter from the attorney at the last meeting. Yes or no, is all I am asking you."

Alderman Jones: "No. The City Attorney, you asked me a question."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "You said no, but the truth of it is that the city attorney gave you that letter alderman. You are lying."

Alderman Jones: "First of all, don't call me a liar. I didn't call you names, don't call me names Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "You are not telling the truth alderman."

Alderman Jones; "Don't disrespect me like that Mayor. Do not disrespect me like that. I didn't cal you a liar, I can call you other name that I hadn't.

Don't do that to me. I am not going to allow you to do that to me. You asked me a question, I am going to give an answer.

At the meeting, that we are referencing now, the city attorney made reference, that the city council did not give you the authority that he did it.

It is on record, it is on the minutes. In his memo, that he gave to the city council it specifically says that the Mayor called me and asked me should I sign the contract.

It says we authorized the Mayor to sign the contract. We, meaning Odelson & Sterk. It is in the minutes and it is on the record.

I asked the city attorney specifically that. There is nothing on this agenda."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "You answered my question and I thank you."

Alderman Jones: "On this agenda tonight, we have contracts that says specific language that authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the contract.

That wasn't given to you on December 8. You signed an illegal contract."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "It is not given in every instance Alderman. We are not going to debate this.

Here is what we are going to do. I do not cast a vote on item #3, I would like this motion on the next agenda as well as the letter from the attorney that explains me.

Because clearly your memory of what occurred isn't what the attorneys gave you. It will all be right there in front of you. Thank you audience.

Would you let the alderman and us have a debate here and discuss the business of the city, without the public input here.

During the public meeting, you can give your input. Alderman, we are going to be put this back. I am not voting."

Alderman Jones: "That is how you are going to talk to residents."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Excuse me alderman, excuse me. 3-3 tie, it will come up on the next agenda and you will have the letter from the attorney and all the supporting documentation."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Excuse me Mayor, I do have the letter from the attorney right here."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "It is not on the agenda."

Alderman Jones: "You asked for it, there it is"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "It is not on the agenda, I want it as a matter of record. I am sorry. I am not voting, I don't have to vote."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Don't vote."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I don't have to vote on this."

Alderman Jones: "You don't have the legal authority Mayor, if you want to move on this, move on. If you don't want to case your vote, that shows you don't have the authority."

Alderman Manousopoulos; "So you are retracting your vote now, so it is 3-3."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I said I am not voting at this time."

Alderman Munda; "You voted already Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I said that I am removing my vote, and I am not voting at this time."

Alderman Munda; "So it has to be re-voted?"

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "No it doesn't alderman."

Alderman Munda: "It is on the agenda."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "It is a 3-3 tie."

Alderman Munda: "The vote before was 4-3."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "No alderman, it is a 3-3 tie."

Alderman Munda: "Before we voted, you would known that made it 4-3, with a no vote."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Here, I will do it your way, I vote yes alderman."

Alderman Munda; "But we still have to re-vote."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "No, we are on the vote still. I vote yes."

Alderman Munda:"Do we have to re-vote."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman, excuse me, I vote yes. Next item #7."

Alderman Munda: "I have a question for the City Attorney. May I ask the City Attorney a question."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Yes."

Alderman Munda; "Thank you Mayor. Cary, for the legal matter of the issue of item #8A-3, with the way it was voted on tonight.

Correct me if I am wrong Cary. The first time it went around with 3-no and 3-yes, the Mayor voting no, making 4-no and 3-yes.

The Mayor decided to retract her vote. At that point, it became 3-3. Now the Mayor has re-voted again. But none of us voted again with her.

Does that matter."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "You can cast your vote."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Let him answer."

City Attorney Horvath: "The honest answer, I cannot give to you this evening. Comments were not audible.

Alderman Munda; "With regard to the voting of item #3. Comments were not audible."

City Attorney Horvath: Comments were not audible.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Obviously Alderman, I have been doing this a long time. I believe the alderman has an ability to change their vote during the meeting.

I believe I have same. I did not move on to the business. Clarification is my vote is yes and we are going to move on."

Alderman Jones: "There is no second motion. You can't retract your vote on the first motion, if there was no second motion. So City Attorney when you are doing the research.

The motion carried, there is second motion, she can't retract her vote on the first motion, because she voted and the vote was taken."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Jones, I realize you are going to law school. Thank you so much."

Alderman Jones: "That has nothing to do with law school. That is Robert Rules of Order, Mayor."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Let the attorney bring you the legal interpretation at the next meeting."

City Attorney Horvath: Comments were not audible."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "As a point of information, the only reason I voted alderman, was because there was tie.

Your theory doesn't hold true. If it went back around and there was a different vote. I may not have had to vote in the case. That is why we are going to allow him to do the research and get back to you.

So he can give you the proper answer. Could we move on."

City Attorney Horvath; Comments were not audible.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "So that means that we continue for 90 days and re-visit."

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

#### FENCE - PRIVACY

558 Marquette Avenue - 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

1254 Mackinaw Avenue - 7th Ward

1454 Memorial Drive - 2nd Ward

#### Approve permits

Alderman Woscyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve the fence permits, (privacy) at 558 Marquette, 1254 Mackinaw & 1454 Memorial Drive.

MOTION CARRIED

#### FINANCIAL MATTERS

#1: Approve buy-back Keith Jaranowski Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve buy-back for Keith Jaranowski in the amount as stated in the communication upon his retirement effective 1/27/16; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider,

Wosczynski

NAYS: 0

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT: 0

ALDERMEN:

None

MOTION CARRIED

#### #2: Remit payment/Fire Station I repair project

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve the attached list of Fire Station I repair project; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to the vendors as stated in the communication and charge to account #06607-55103.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Leni, for the record, could you read the vendors into the motion, so that we have the vendors and the amounts in the minutes please

There are several vendors that you are approving tonight on there.

I am asking, Thad could you hand her a list of the vendors and the amounts so they are part of the record please."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Mayor, all those vendors on the agenda."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I just want them to be reflected in the minutes."

Alderman Jones: "Could you have the chief come up and read them. He has the list and the amounts."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I just think it should be part of the motion because if \$400,000 is all I am saying. Chief if you want to help the council out by reading the approved vendors and the amounts and what it is for. You certainly can."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "They are on the agenda, this is just an extra document."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "This was just on our desks tonight."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "They are in back, they are just so small you can't see them. They are in the communication."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "She didn't make it part of her motion, Alderman. That is all."

At this time in the meeting, Chief Galgan read the vendor and amount for the Fire Station I Repair Project. (see attached page 16A)

Chief Galgan; "The total is \$335,195.00. This was based on bidding done and opened on October 3 at 11:00 a.m. in the council chambers.

These are the lowest qualified bidders as qualified by PBS. Also PBS is suggesting a General Requirement Estimate, which would be for dumpsters, any safety walls, any cleaning that may need to be done in the amount of \$16,759.75.

That it is 5% of the total. Some of that money may or may not be spent. It would just depend on how much we were able to do ourselves.

If we utilize public works in picking up of some of the debris from the construction. That is just a 5% of the total.

Also until we actually open up some of the areas, there was a suggested contingency of \$50,000.0.0. If any of that money would be spent.

Just like we did the training center, we would come back to the council with a change order of the agenda to be approved.

But just to get the council a general idea of what the total cost may be. The amounts of the bids, again, to just summarize, \$335,195.00 and then an estimate of \$16,759.75 for the general conditions and then a contingency of \$50,000.00.

The last two would come back as change orders for the council approval at a future date."

#### Chief Galgan

DESCRIPTION

CONTRACTOR

BASE

COST

Alt 1 COST

Alt 2 COST

Alt 3

Alt 4 COST

Alt 5 COST

02 - Existing Conditions

DESCRIPTION	CONTRACTOR	BASE COST	Alt 1 COST	Alt 2 COST	Alt 3	Alt 4 COST	Alt 5 COST
08 - Doors & Windows							
081100 - Metal doors & frames	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
081416 - Wood Doors	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
087100 - Door Hardware	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
09 - Finishes							
092116 - Gypsum Boards	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
09300 - Tile	Park Avenue	\$14,154.00					
095113 - Acoustic Panel Ceiling	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
096513 - Base and accessories	Park Avenue	included in 09300 amount					
096816 - Carpeting	Park Avenue	included in 09300 amount					
099000 - Painting	Cosgrove Construction	\$12,000.00	(\$1,100.00)		\$4,200.00	\$800.00	
10 - Specialties							
101400 - Signage	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
102813 - Toilet Accessories	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
104416 - Fire Extinguishers	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					
12 - Furnishings							
123661 - Solid Surface Stools	Cosgrove Construction	included in 061000 amount					

OVERALL BASE PROJECT COST \$401,954.75

\$35,595.00 (\$14,700.00) \$4,410.00 \$840.00 \$8,464.05

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Just as a point of clarification, the bid opening was February 3, 2016, I think you said October 3.

Chief Galgan: "I am sorry, I meant February 3."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Could I just ask, the chiefs recap of the amounts be included in the record."

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, that the dollar amount would be \$401,954.75 for Fire Station I Repair Project.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6

ALDERMEN:

Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider,

Wosczynski, Jones

NAYS:

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ALDERMEN:

None

MOTION CARRIED

#3: Remit payment/Fire Services/\$5,127.93

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve maintenance to Fire Engine #305 in the amount not to exceed \$5,127.93; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Fire Services and charge to account #06617-54150.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones,

Williams

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

MOTION CARRIED

#4: Remit payment/Global Emergency Products/

\$9,288.83

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve annual maintenance to Fire Truck #309 in the amount not to exceed \$9,288.82; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Global Emergency Products and charge to account #06617-54150.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Manousopoulos, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Williams,

Munda

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### #5: Procure appraisal PTAB case 14-30932

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to authorize the City Attorney to procure an appraisal in support of PTAB Case 14-30932 and to enter into a cost sharing agreement with School District No. 205 to split the cost of same.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "For the record, this is Target's appeal of tax, correct City Attorney Horvath."

City Attorney Horvath: "Yes."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "What you are approving tonight, is to authorize the MIA Appraisal in the amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. That is what is being approved in this motion tonight, Attorney Horvath."

City Attorney Horvath. "Yes."

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Schneider, Woscyznski, Jones, Williams, Munda,

Manousopoulos

NAYS: ABSENT: 0 0 ALDERMEN:

None None

ALDERMEN:

MOTION CARRIED

### ment/Alta Equipment Co. \$28,400.00

#6: Approve TIF reimburse- Approve TIF reimbursement by the Alta Equipment Company located at 150 State Street per the approved Economic Incentive Agreement (Ord. #15-2) direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate account.

> Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "For the record, what is the amount, Alderman and what account."

> Alderman Wosczynski: "I don't have a sheet for the amount. All it says reimbursement by the Alta Equipment Company located at 150 State Street per the approved Economic Incentive Agreement (Ord. #15-2) direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate account."

Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "On the support documentation, I believe the amount is \$28,400.00, but payable from what account. Treasurer do you know the account. It says the appropriate account.

But I am sure you would like an account."

City Treasurer Tarka; "TIF #1 account."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Leni, would you include \$28,400.00 payable from TIF I account."

Alderman Wosczynski moved ,seconded by Alderman Schneider, to remit payment to Alta Equipment Company in the amount of \$28,400.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to TIF #1 account.

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS:	5	ALDERMEN:	Wosczynski, Jones, Williams, Manousopoulos, Schneider
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
RECUSE:	1	ALDERMAN:	Munda

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#7: Refer Finance Committee Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to refer

Item #7 to the next Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting. (Payment to IMRF \$504,689.72 to pay off city's Regular ERI Obligation)

#### MOTION CARRIED

## #8: Approve settlement property tax appeal board

Approve settlement of property tax appeal board case 10-36153 Robert Ranquist and authorize the City Attorney to execute same.

City Attorney Horvath: They agreed on a settlement of the full market value of the property of \$6,625,000,000 which translates to an assessed value of \$861,250.00.

This was an appeal to the Board of Review. The Board placed a total fair market value on the property of \$8,5257,306.00. The assessed value would have \$1,108,567,00.

The level of assessment for 2010 was 13 percent. The taxpayer submitted an appraisal showing a market value of \$5,125,000,00 with an assessed value of \$666,250.00.

When the taxpayer offered to settle the case at full market value of \$6,625,000. As I said that translates to an assessed value of \$861,250.00.

In 2014, the city approved a settlement in the 2009 matter at the same fair market value which is offered in this case.

The recommendation is to accept the proposed fair market value of \$6,625.000. Assessed value \$861,250.00. The tax role is 13 percent.

I don't know the dollar amount. This is the suggested agreed market value suggested agreed value. Then if you apply the rate of 13 percent. You would come up with a dollar amount for taxes for not just the city but for all taxing bodies in the Township."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush:: "So in essence, they are going to get tax monies refunded to them?"

City Attorney Horvath: "That I do no know."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Is this something that has to be approved tonight, if they are approving this, then they are probably going to give money back."

City Attorney Horvath: "Is this something that has to be approved tonight, I do not know the answer to that question, this was handled by tax council."

Alderman Wosczynski: "Could we table this."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I am curious of what the amount is. That would mean that we would have to remit that back, correct or does if come from future taxes, or how does that work exactly."

City Attorney Horvath: Comments were not audible.

Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Does the first and second withdraw their first and second, we can send this to committee and get the numbers and it can come back on a future agenda."

#### Refer item #8 Finance

Alderman Woscyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to refer item #8 to the Finance Committee.

#### MOTION CARRIED

## #9: Approve Ricks v. Calumet City case

Approve settlement in the Tamika Ricks v. Calumet City et al, matter in the amount as stated in the communication; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate account.

At this time in the meeting, Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush requested account number from City Treasurer Tarka or Finance Director Kasperek.

City Treasurer Tarka; "Account #01052200.

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve the Tamika Ricks v. Calumet City et al in the amount of \$10,000.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to account #01052200.

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6

ALDERMEN:

Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider,

Wosczynski

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None None

ABSENT:

ALDERMEN:

MOTION CARRIED

#### #10: Approve settlement/ Mora v. Calumet City

Approve settlement in the Alfonse Mora v. Calumet City, et al matter in the amount as stated in the communication; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to the appropriate account.

City Attorney Horvath: "Alderman, the amount on item #10 is \$29,341.01 and that represents a reimbursement of insurance premiums paid by Mr. Mora over the period of time from January 1, 2011 thru February, 2016.

This motion should also include an authorization for the Mayor to execute the agreement."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "The account Mr. Treasurer."

City Treasurer Tarka: "The same account."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "#01052200.

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve the settlement in the Alfonse Mora v. Calumet City in the amount of \$29,341.00 (reimbursement of insurance premiums paid by over period of 1/1/11 thru 2/16; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment charge to account #01052200; authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL**

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider,

Wosczynski, Jones

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

MOTION CARRIED

#### #11: Approve payroll

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve payroll in the amount of \$823,274.28.

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones,

Williams

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

MOTION CARRIED

#### # Approve bill listing

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve the bill listing in the amount of \$1,038,781.59.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Manousopoulos, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Williams,

Munda

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

#### MOTION CARRIED

#### #13: Remit payment Calumet City Plumbing

Approve proposal and work for Calumet City Plumbing to provide labor and equipment to hydro-jet/root cut and televise the main sewer to clean the main root intrusion in the 1300-1400 blocks of Forest Place in an amount not to exceed \$6,400.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #03036-52101. (Discussed/approved at 2/4/16 Public Utilities/Public Works Committee of the Whole)

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve item #13 as presented.

ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Williams, Munda,

Manousopoulos

NAYS:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

ABSENT:

0

ALDERMEN:

None

#### MOTION CARRIED

#### #14: Remit payment/ Tierra Environmental/ \$8,655.00

Approve work to vac and jet storm basins as directed at various locations and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Tierra Environmental & Industrial Services in the amount not to exceed \$8,655.00; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #03036-52111. (Discussed/approved at 2/4/16 Public Utilities/Public Works Committee of the Whole Meeting)

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Schneider, to approve item #14 as presented.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "For the record, these are items that were completed in 2014, Alderman Munda correct."

Alderman Munda: "These were items covered in the joint committee of the whole under Public Utilities Committee."

Alderman Jones: "These were the items as requested from Commissioner Manousopoulos. The goal was to get a letter from the company stating that the invoices in fact and the work took place in 2014, which a copy appears on the agenda.

That was all the items that was requested at the meeting."

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS:

6

ALDERMEN:

Wosczynski, Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos,

Schneider

NAYS: ABSENT: 0

ALDERMEN:

0

ALDERMEN:

None None

MOTION CARRIED

## Agreement

#15: Advanced Infrastructure Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Advanced Metering Infrastructure Agreement between the City of Calumet City and Sensus. (The purpose of the agreement is to allow Sensus to apply on behalf of the City to the Federal Communications Commission for spectrum manager lease to facilitate the implementation and operation of the software application required for the new water metering system to be installed by Johnson Controls, Inc)

> Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Advanced Metering Infrastructure Agreement as presented.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Finance Director Kasperek, could you just brief the council on this, because there are two agreements in here.

One has to do with the FCC Licensing Agreement and the other has to do with the Software Agreement which the city will have to pay \$19,000.00 a year, beginning in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward, for this software agreement."

Finance Director Kasperek: "Thank you Madam Mayor and City Council. The document before you today is an agreement that we would be signing with Sensus.

Sensus owns the radio frequency to the FCC to allow us to do the automated reads over the FCC frequencies.

They are giving us the permission or by the contract being signed, we are being allowed to participate into that ban. That will allow us to do the automated reads once they new meters get installed.

While we are installing the new meters, we will be putting in the AIM reads, which will be attached the outside pads to allow the water to be read automatically without having to send someone to go out to the location of the house.

The second part of the agreement is the software and hardware maintenance contracts related to the AIM software which we will leasing from Sensus.

Our City Attorney, myself and our Systems Manager reviewed the contract and made sure that the information included in that lease was appropriate for the city. Before you today is the contract to execute between the city and Sensus.

To my knowledge, this will be the only document that the city will have to sign related to the water project which we approved the Performance Contract with Johnson Controls.

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Are there any questions?"

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6

ALDERMEN:

Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Schneider,

Wosczynski

NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN:

None

ALDERMEN:

None

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Alderman Jones, do you want to ask a question."

Alderman Jones: "When Johnson Control came before us they list of items that would be included in the ongoing cost.

This was one of those, correct?"

Finance Director Kasperek: "It was one of them when they did the slide presentation. They indicated that they are taking care of all the construction costs and everything that will put the project together.

But typically like any software maintenance, we are leasing the server and software from Sensus.

The first full year after it has been set up with the city, is covered free through our initial contract, thereafter, we will be paying a maintenance fee, which is not uncommon what we do in our other software."

Alderman Jones: "So it will be \$19,000.00 a year going forward."

Finance Director Kasperek: "I believe it costs us \$30,000.00."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I am sorry, you told me \$19,000.00. \$30,000.00 a year"

Finance Director Kasperek: "\$30,000.00 a year to lease the server versus buying it."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush; "Is the amount in this contract?"

Finance Director Kasperek: "I don't know if it is in the contract, they sent both me and Cary the documents today."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Ok, you got a new document, then the document that we looked at."

Finance Director Kasperek: "Cary, had asked about what would be the cost. The contract says that they would charge us a maintenance fee starting in year two.

That was not attached to the contract."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "But the maintenance fee is \$30,000 year, not \$19,000 that you previously told me."

Finance Director Kasperek: "They forwarded that to us today, I verified back to the presentation, I do have to apologize. When you asked the question, I was trying to remember."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Was the \$30,000 reflected in the Johnson Controls presentation."

City Attorney Horvath: Comments not audible.

Finance Director Kasperek: "That is why we asked them to send it to us."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "\$19,000, \$30,000 same thing. So I will not sign the contract unless it says the amount in the contract because maybe that will change in 2 years to."

Finance Director Kasperek: "We can attach that sheet now."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I don't want to attached the sheet, I want it part of the contract, so if there is a section that it could state what at least the second year it is.

I think the council can disagree with me, but I don't want to sign an open end contract that in 2 years, no it is \$19,000, not \$30,000 some other number."

Finance Director Kasperek: "We got the numbers from them in writing, it was emailed."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "From Johnson or Sensus."

Finance Director Kasperek: "Sensus, it was emailed to myself and Attorney Horvath late afternoon."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "I will just state for the record, that unless that number is in the contract that I am going to sign, that I want it in the contract that I am going to sign.

I wasn't aware that the number changed from the last communication you and I had on this."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Under financial item #8D-2, the total amount was \$335,195.000. The Alderman said it was \$401,000.00."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Because she counted in the \$16,000."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "But that comes back to us. If that matters."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "So you are not approving the 5% estimated cost or the contingency?"

Alderman Manousopoulos: "Chief said there would be change orders when they need that money."

Alderman Schneider: "The motion was to accept the low bidders, and we accepted the low bidders."

Alderman Manousopoulos: "The amount, the numbers were off. That is all."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "For the record, could you state the correct amount."

Alderman Wosczynski: "The dollar amount that I stated was \$401,954.75."

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "However the bids total \$335,195.00. That is what the number should be in your motion. The 5% and the suggest project contingency will have to come back to the council for approval."

Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, that the general requirement 5% (\$16,759.75) and the suggested project contingency (\$50,000.00) for the Rehab of the Fire Station come back to the council for approval.

#### ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Manousopoulos, Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Williams, Munda
NAYS: 0 ALDERMEN: None
ABSENT: 0 ALDERMEN: None

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Refer items to Finance

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczynski, that any financial matters that come before the agenda that is not discussed, go thru Finance Committee first.

#### MOTION CARRIED

Secretary of State info

Alderman Jones advised that his office received calls regarding the Secretary of State's Office not sending out notices for vehicle emissions.

The State wants everyone to go to ILSOS and determine if the vehicle needs an emission test or sticker. He will be sending out communication advising residents.

Resident Only parking sign @ 374 Madison

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to place a "Resident Only" parking sign at 374 Madison Avenue.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

Secretary of State info

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush: "Just for the record, the Secretary of State information is available in the City Clerk's Office and they have been handing it out regularly because we have been hearing from our residents and it is on the website and will be on the access channel and face book page.

A lot of folks are getting hurt by this. That is out there.

**Executive Session** 

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to enter into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

(The City Council met in Executive Session from 8:46 p.m. to 9:06 p.m.)

Return - regular order of business

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

MOTION CARRIED

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment was at 9:06 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Manousopoulos and seconded by Alderman Woscyznski.

MOTION CARRIED

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