

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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

SEPTEMBER 11, 2014

Public Forum

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

Mike Cavlone, 451 Saginaw Avenue, regarding property at 463 and 449 Saginaw which is in disrepair and the vacant building of Sibley Wedding.

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, September 11, 2014 at 7:35 p.m. with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush present and presiding.

Moment of silence

Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush requested a moment of silence to honor those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	7	ALDERMEN:	Schneider, Wosczynski, Jones, Williams, Munda, Manousopoulos, Collins
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMEN:	None

Also present were City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

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

Approval of minutes

Alderman Collins moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczynski, to approve the minutes of 7/23/14, 7/29/14 and 9/4/14 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Happy Birthday Ald. Leni At this time in the meeting, Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush wished Alderman Wosczynski a happy birthday.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance Alderman Wosczynski had no report.

Public Safety Alderman Manousopoulos had no report.

Public Utilities Alderman Jones had no report.

Ord. & Res. Alderman Collins had no report.

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

Permits & Licenses Alderman Schneider had no report.

Public Works Alderman Munda had no report.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

City Clerk Figgs City Clerk Figgs: "Good evening. I would like to start off by thanking all of the residents who participated in the City Clerk's Back to School Giveaway on August 30, 2014 at City Hall.

A special thanks to Cook County Commissioner Stanley Moore and State Representative Marcus Evans along with Mayor Michelle and City Treasurer Tarka for their generous donations to fill the school bags.

I would also like to thank Image and Style who conducted free hair cuts for the event. Also thanks to Sam's Club, Walgreens and all the many volunteers along with the Calumet City Police Department, Fire Department and Calumet Memorial Park District for participating.

Thank you to the school districts that informed the parents of the event. It was an awesome day. I appreciate everyone and I wish all of the Calumet City students a successful school year.

September 23 is "National Voter's Registration Day." The City Clerk's Office is campaigning to register as many people as possible between now and September 23. If you know someone in the community, new residents, seniors or anyone not registered to vote please direct them to register at the City Clerk's Office.

I will be out in the community registering individuals to vote between now and September 23. If you can't make it to the City Clerk's Office please give our office a call and we can schedule some time to register.

City Clerk Figgs (cont'd)

Our next election is November 4, 2014. On September 23, I challenge every resident to bring in one person to be registered. We are open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Thank you.”

City Treasurer Tarka

City Treasurer Tarka. “Thank you Madam Mayor. Just to draw some attention to several items on the agenda. The Calumet City Whistle Blower Policy. This is the second presentation of this policy to the council. I am requesting that it be adopted as an official policy of the City of Calumet City.

The supplemental accounting policies. If you recall the council accepted accounting policies and procedure manual back on June 12. These policies are part in parcel to those initial policies. These are actually procedures with regard to federal grants. Thank you.”

Ald. Schneider - report

Alderman Schneider thanked all the residents who contacted his ward office at 891-8198. He requests residents when leaving a message to speak slowly and clearly when leaving their information.

Freeland Resurfacing Project

Alderman Schneider stated that his office received numerous calls regarding the completion of the roadway resurfacing project on Freeland Avenue. Public Works Department is coordinating with the City Engineer to make sure all contractual obligations have been met.

42nd Calumet Memorial Park District Mini Marathon 9/14/14

Alderman Schneider announced that Calumet Memorial Park District will be hosting their 42nd Annual Mini Marathon and 5K walk and run on Sunday, September 14, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. Registration is available online on www.mycmpd.com or stop in park district office.

Thank family for flowers

Alderman Wosycznski thanked her family for the flowers.

Ald. Jones - report

Alderman Jones honored the men and women who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

Moment of silence

Alderman Jones requested a moment of silence for individuals in the community that lost their lives and passed away in the last two weeks: Lorraine Tipton and Jim O'Brien.

Deputy Registrar class 9/13/14

Alderman Jones announced that his foundation will be hosting a Deputy Registrar on Saturday, November 13, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon. conducted by the State Board of Elections. He encourages residents to visit his office and register to vote.

Thank sponsors for Aids Walk

Alderman Jones thanked all the sponsors and vendors who participated in the Aids Walk. There were a total of 289 walkers. He also thanked T.F. North High School for hosting the event, the Aids Foundation and Magic Johnson Foundation.

Give honor to God

Alderman Williams gave an honor to God.

Thank Network Barber College

Alderman Williams thanked the Network Barber College for providing free Back to School haircuts on September 6, 2014.

Post "Resident Only" sign @ 531 Merrill Avenue

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to place a "Resident Only" parking sign at 531 Merrill Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED

Amend handicap parking ordinance by adding: 603 Superior Avenue

Alderman Collins moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to amend the handicap parking ordinance by adding: 603 Superior Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED

River Oaks Car Show 9/13/14/

Alderman Collins announced the 10th Annual River Oaks Car Show on Saturday, September 13, 2014 hosted by the Chamber of Commerce at River Oaks Mall from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Power outage response time from ComEd

Alderman Collins stated he received many calls regarding response time from ComEd regarding power outages. He will be following up with the Mayor's Office regarding the new representative from ComEd.

Condolences to O'Brien family

Alderman Collins extended condolences to the O'Brien family a resident of the 7th Ward.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE

City Clerk Figgs/submitting monthly report

Submitting Monthly Report for August, 2014.

City Treasurer Tarka/MFT Capital Funds Allotment

RE: MFT Capital Funds Allotment.

City Treasurer Tarka/ Supplemental Accounting Policies

RE: Supplemental Accounting Policies.

Accept & place on file

Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Williams, to accept the communications and place on file.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

#1: Refer survey Cultural Center to Finance Comm.

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to refer survey of Cultural Center from Planera Architects to the Finance Committee to hold a meeting to review and make a recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED

#2: Direct City Attorney provide written legal opinion

Direct the City Attorney to provide a written legal opinion if there was a conflict of interest that existed between Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush and Alderman Nick Manousopoulos casting a vote in the affirmative to approve the public works agreement which was voted upon at a special meeting held on Wednesday, June 18, 2014.

Remove item #2

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Williams, to remove item #2 from the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

#3: Adopting Whistleblower Policy

Alderman Wosczyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to adopt the Calumet City Whistleblower Policy. (Submitted to the council on 8/28/14)

MOTION CARRIED

#4: Refer water meter rate to Finance Committee

Alderman Manousopoulos moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyznski, to refer the water meter rates to the Finance Committee to hold a meeting to review and make a recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING PERMITS

FENCE

410 Greenbay - 1st Ward

952 Hirsch - 6th Ward

649 Muskegon - 2nd Ward

215 Ruth - 5th Ward

34 Webb - 5th Ward

(pending plat & approval from Inspectional Services)

304 Webb - 5th Ward

1351 Wentworth - 6th Ward

Approve permits

Alderman Wosczyznski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve the building permits as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

<u>Res. #1: establishing Internship Work Program (Res. #14-30)</u>	Resolution of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, establishing Guidelines and Specifications for a College Internship Work Program with the city. (see attached page 6A)
<u>Ord. #2: handicap parking by adding: 343 Bensley Ave (Ord. #14-43)</u>	Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois, Handicap Parking, by adding 343 Bensley Avenue. (see attached page 6B)
<u>Pass Resolution/Adopt Ordinance</u>	Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Williams, to pass the Resolution and adopt the ordinance as presented.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

<u>#1: Approve Community Grant Awards for fiscal year 2015</u>	Approve the Community Grant Awards for fiscal year 2015 to the following organizations and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment upon completion of the appropriate documentation by the Awardees: Calumet City Resource Center (\$5,000) - #01099-52662; VFW Post #8141 (\$10,000) - #01099-52664; American Legion Post #330 (\$10,000) - #01099-52665; Calumet City Historical Society (\$5,000) - #01099-52666; Ginger Ridge McKinney Center (\$2,500) - #01099-52701; Calumet City Chargers (\$2,500) - #01099-52702; Calumet City Youth Organization (\$2,500) - #01099-52703; Calumet City Thunderbolts (\$2,500) #01099-52705.
<u>#2: Remit payment/Robinson Engineering/\$1,500.00</u>	Direct Robinson Engineering to shoot the grade in the alley between Marquette and Manistee from Wilson to Memorial Drive to include the locations behind 555 & 557 Marquette and 554 Manistee and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to Robinson Engineering at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00; to be charged to account #01099-52600.
<u>#3: Approve contract/ComEd/Fire Training Center</u>	Approve the contract with ComEd for work to be done at the Fire Training Center in an amount not to exceed \$121,104.71; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment to ComEd; funds to be taken out of account #10610-55170.
<u>#4: Approve attendance/IML Conference/Ald. Collins</u>	Approve attendance of Alderman Antoine Collins for the Illinois Municipal League Conference to be held September 18-20, 2014 and issue an expense check in the amount of \$1,500.00; expenses with receipts and any unused funds to be submitted to the Finance Department upon return; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01010-52300.

THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 14-43

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90 OF THE MUNICIPAL
CODE OF THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

MICHELLE MARKIEWICZ QUALKINBUSH, Mayor
NYOTA FIGGS, City Clerk

ERIC SCHNEIDER
MAGDALENA J. "LENI" WOSZYNSKI
THADDEUS JONES
RAMONDE WILLIAMS
ROGER MUNDA
NICK MANOUSOPOULOS
ANTOINE COLLINS
Aldermen

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ORDINANCE NO.: 14-43

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE
OF THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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:

343 Bensley 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 11th day of September 2014, 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	7			

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois on this 11th day of September 2014.


Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Nyota T. Figgs
CITY CLERK

#5: Approve attendance/IML Conference/Ald. Williams Approve attendance of Alderman Ramonde Williams for the Illinois Municipal League Conference to be held September 18-20, 2014 and issue an expense check in the amount of \$1,500.00; expenses with receipts and any unused funds to be submitted to the Finance Department upon return and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge to account #01010-52300.

#6: Remit payment/Metropolitan Pump Co/\$3,542.00/monthly Approve the service contract with Metropolitan Pump Company from 9/1/14 to 8/31/15 for monthly inspections of the city's pumping and lift stations (State Line, Yates, Superior, Greenbay, Lincoln, State Street Fresh Water Station, V & G Supply); direct the City Treasurer to remit payment at a monthly rate of \$3,542.00; to be charged to account #03036-52349.

#7: Approve settlement/Brenda Henry & Rakell v. Calumet City Approve a Settlement Agreement and Release by and between Brenda Henry and Rakell Moore and the City of Calumet City, et al, case number 11 L 3662 in the amount of \$925,000.00; direct the Mayor to execute same.

#8: Award bid low bidder/K-Five Const/\$767,799.98 street resurfacing @ various locations Accept the recommendation from Robinson Engineering and award the bid to the low bidder K-Five Construction for Street Resurfacing at various locations in the amount of \$767,799.98; direct the City Treasurer to remit payment; charge to MFT account #04007-52454. (Public Bid Opening held on 9/3/14 at 3:00 p.m.)

#9: Approve bill listing Approve bill listing (\$549,913.31)

#10: Approve payroll Approve payroll (\$839,651.90)

Refer Calumet City Chargers Grant/Finance Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to remove Calumet City Chargers grant (\$2,500.00) - #01099-52702 and refer to the Finance Committee for review.

Approve financial items item #8D-1 as amended items #8D-2 thru #8D-10 Alderman Wosczynski moved, seconded by Alderman Manousopoulos, to approve financial items #8D-1 as amended and approve financial items #8D-2 thru #8D-10 as presented,.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Approve block party/
Children's Home Center/
9/13/14

Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Woscynski, to approve a block party on September 13, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for Children's Home Center at 1652 Dolton Road; direct public works department to provide the necessary barricades and trash receptacles.

MOTION CARRIED

Thank Walgreens

Alderman Jones thanked Walgreens for donating book bags and health supplies.

Thank Christian Community
Health Center

Alderman Jones thanked Christian Community Health Center for providing free HIV Aids testing on September 6, 2014.


Happy Birthday Ald.

Alderman Collins wished Alderman Woscynski a Happy Birthday,

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 7:55 p.m. on a motion made by Alderman Munda and seconded by Alderman Woscynski.

MOTION CARRIED


Nyota Figg, City Clerk

/rb