

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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

**DECEMBER 21, 2020**

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Pledge Of Allegiance

The City Council of the City of Calumet City met via Zoom at 6:02 p.m. in a regular meeting on December 21, 2020 with Mayor Michelle Markiewicz Qualkinbush, present and presiding.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT: 7**

**ALDERMEN:** Navarrete, Swibes, Tillman, Williams, Gardner (6:12 p.m.), Patton, Smith (6:04 p.m.)

**ABSENT: 0**

**ALDERMEN:** None

Also present was City Clerk Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, Police Chief Fletcher, Fire Chief Bachert, City Attorney Lauren DeValle, City Engineer Erik Alvarez, Director Inspectional Services Sheryl Tillman, City Administrator William Murray, Mayor's Assistant Rose Bonato, and Deputy Clerk Danielle Smith.

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

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Finance

Alderman Patton had no report.

Public Safety

Alderman Williams had no report.

Public Utilities

Alderman Swibes had no report.

Ord. & Res.

Alderman Tillman reported the Ordinances and Resolutions Committee will meet on January 7, 2021 immediately following the Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.; the Zoom link will be posted prior to the meeting.

H.E.W

Alderman Gardner had no report.

Permits & Licenses

Alderman Smith had no report.

Public Works

Alderman Navarrete encouraged residents to use driveways and garages during the approaching snow season to keep main and side streets clear for plowing.

## **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

### Alderman Swibes – 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

Alderman Swibes reported receiving numerous phone calls and emails from 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward residents thanking the City for having the Santa Parade.

### Alderman Tillman – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward

Alderman Tillman encouraged residents interested in the free senior snow removal program to call his office at 708-891-8193.

### Alderman Williams – 4<sup>th</sup> Ward

Alderman Williams gave honor to God and thanked residents and all who helped make the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Giveaway and Santa Parade successful. Alderman Williams encouraged residents interested in free snow removal to call his office at 708-891-8194 or 708-212-2240.

### Alderman Patton – 6<sup>th</sup> Ward

Alderman Patton thanked Public Works, Police Department, Fire Department, Calumet Memorial Park District, Animal Control, Santa and Mrs. Claus, and all who contributed to the success of the Santa Parade. Alderman Patton encouraged residents interested in the free snow removal program to call his office 708-891-8196.

### Alderman Smith 7<sup>th</sup> Ward

Alderman Smith thanked the Mayor's Office for organizing the Santa Parade and reported receiving positive feedback from 7<sup>th</sup> Ward residents. Alderman Smith thanked Aldermen and all who participated in the food and Christmas giveaway. Alderman Smith encouraged residents to report food, energy relief and senior snow removal needs to his office 708-861-8197 or [asmith@calumetcity.org](mailto:asmith@calumetcity.org).

Alderman Gardner extended condolences to the family and friends of Officer Adam Zieminski.

Alderman Gardner encouraged 5<sup>th</sup> Ward residents to continue to call his office 708-891-8195 with any concerns and issues.

### Mayor Michelle

Mayor Michelle thanked the Aldermen, Santa and Mrs. Claus, the Grinch, the Park District for partnering with the City, and all who participated in the Santa Parade themed Home for the Holidays.

Mayor Michelle encouraged Council Members to report any families experiencing special circumstances to her for additional assistance.

### Alderman Gardner – 5<sup>th</sup> Ward

Alderman Gardner wished 5<sup>th</sup> Ward residents Happy Holidays, encouraged everyone to stay home and safe, and to call his office 708-891-8195 with questions or concerns.

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

### A. Calumet City Resources

RE: Letter Thanking Mayor and City Council for \$5,000.00 grant and turkeys

### B. Comcast

RE: Comcast Contact Information

### Accept & place on file

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes, to accept items A - B and place on file.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1): Authorize Robinson Engineering to prepare contract bid documents for sewer lining, televising and cleaning contract in specific areas, and development of a City-Wide maintenance plan, for an amount not to exceed \$82,996.50 and to advertise for the same bids

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2): Refer the following Property Tax Appeals Board to the City Attorney: Napleton Investment P/S LP 1951 River Oaks Dr. and Harbison Walker International Inc. 1400 Huntington Dr

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Approve New Business

Alderman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes, to approve items #1 and #2 as presented.

**ROLL CALL**

AYES: 7  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 0

ALDERMEN: Navarrete, Swibes, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Patton, Smith  
ALDERMEN: None  
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**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUILDING PERMITS**

NEW FENCE                      WARD  
853 161<sup>ST</sup> St.                      7<sup>th</sup> Ward  
1394 Balmoral                      7<sup>th</sup> Ward

Approve Permit

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Patton, to approve the building permits as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCE**

#1): An Ordinance Of The City Of Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois Imposing A Temporary Moratorium On The Issuance Of Licenses For Barber Shops, Beauty Parlors And Hair Braiding Shops

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Refer Ordinance

Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Smith, to refer ordinance #1 to committee.

**MOTION CARRIED**

#2): An Ordinance Regulating Third-Party Food Delivery Service Fees That May Be Charged To Calumet City Food Industry Businesses And To Customers For Delivery

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Discussion

There was a brief discussion regarding item Ordinance #2.

Refer Ordinance

Alderman Tillman moved, seconded by Alderman Patton, to refer ordinance #2 to committee.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

#1): Approve purchase of two (2) new hydrants

Approve purchase of two (2) new hydrants; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Core & Main in the amount of \$5,976.00 and to charge account #03036-53408.

#2): Approve purchase of rock salt for the City

Approve purchase of rock salt for The City; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Cargill in the amount of \$24,003.67 and to charge account #04007-52456.

#3): Approve rental or lease charges of 95% of 1% collected from July 16, 2020 through October 15, 2020 in accordance with Ordinance #02-21

Approve rental or lease charges of 95% of 1% collected from July 16, 2020 through October 15, 2020 in accordance with Ordinance #02-21; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to the Chicago Southland Convention and Visitor's Bureau in the amount of \$2,496.63 to be charged to account #01099-52696.

#4): Rescind the following motion from Regular City Council Meeting on December 10, 2020: Approve purchase and installation of two (2) new heaters at Public Works

Rescind the following motion from Regular City Council Meeting on December 10, 2020: Approve purchase and installation of two (2) new heaters at Public Works; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to precision Control Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$9,440.00 and to charge account #01041-52343.

#5): Approve purchase and installation of three (3) new heaters at Public Works

Approve purchase and installation of three (3) new heaters at Public Works; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Budd Mechanical Systems in the amount of \$13,292.00 and to charge account #01041-52343.

#6): Approve purchase of a new 2021 Ford F550 ambulance

Approve purchase of a new 2021 Ford F550 ambulance; authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to Foster Coach in the amount of \$294,969.00 (delivery and payment will be made in full next fiscal year) and to charge account #06607-55100 (apparatus/paramedic fund).

#7): Approve bill listing

Approve bill listing (\$706,446.32).

#8): Approve payroll

Approve payroll (\$817,541.54).

Approve financial items #1- #8

Alderman Williams moved, seconded by Alderman Swibes, to approve financial items #1 - #8 as presented.

ROLL CALL

AYES:	7	ALDERMEN:	Navarrete, Swibes, Tillman, Williams, Gardner, Patton, Smith
NAYS:	0	ALDERMEN:	None
ABSENT:	0	ALDERMEN:	None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

<u>Planning Survey</u>	Alderman Navarrete gave an update on the planning survey, reporting that it has been postponed due to COVID.
<u>Zoning Committee Meeting</u>	Alderman Navarrete gave an update on recommendations from the Zoning Committee Meeting that will be presented at a future City Council Meeting.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Alderman Navarrete wished colleagues and residents Happy Holidays.
<u>Holiday Decorating Contest</u>	Alderman Swibes thanked all residents who participated in the Holiday Decorating Contest.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Alderman Swibes wished Happy Holidays to all residents.
<u>Merry Christmas and Happy New Year</u>	Alderman Tillman wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Alderman Williams wished everyone Happy Holidays.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Alderman Gardner wished colleagues and residents Happy Holidays.
<u>Mission Dispensary Grand Opening</u>	Alderman Patton thanked Mission Dispensary staff and management for the invitation to the grand opening event.
<u>Holiday Decorating Contest</u>	Alderman Patton reported that entries are up and thanked residents for efforts in decorating their homes.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Alderman Patton wished residents Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Alderman Smith wished residents Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas.
<u>7<sup>th</sup> Ward Newsletter</u>	Alderman Smith reported the 7 <sup>th</sup> Ward Newsletter has been mailed out and residents should contact his office 708-891-8197 or asmith@calumetcity.org if they have not received it.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	City Treasurer Tarka wished colleagues and residents Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	City Clerk Figgs wished everyone Happy Holidays.
<u>Happy Holidays</u>	Mayor Michelle wished the City Council and the City of Calumet City Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy Healthy 2021.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment was at 6:37 p.m., on a motion by Alderman Gardner, seconded by Alderman Patton.

  
Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

**MOTION CARRIED**

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