

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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

**DECEMBER 20, 2011**

Public Forum

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

Sharon Lawler, 452 Garfield Avenue, regarding Crime Free Housing fee structure.

Tom Plaskota, 800 Riverside Drive, regarding city purchasing property.

Mira Miletich, 618 Exchange Avenue, regarding Crime Free Housing fee structure.

**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 Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at 7:43 p.m., in the absence of the Mayor, Alderman Brian Wilson, Finance Chairman, presided over the meeting as Deputy Mayor.

ROLL CALL

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| PRESENT: | 6 | ALDERMEN: | Schneider, Wosczyński, Jones, Wilson, Munda, Collins |
| ABSENT:  | 1 | ALDERMAN: | Manousopoulos  |

Also present were City Clerk Figgs, City Attorney Montana, Finance Director Kasperek, Police Chief Gilmore, Community & Economic Development Director Gigliotti and Deputy Clerk Bonato.

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

Approval of minutes

Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to approve the minutes of December 8, 2011 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Deviate - regular order of business

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to deviate from the regular order of business, to present the awards for the Holiday Decorating Contest.

The following are the 2011 Calumet City Christmas Home Decorating Contest winners.

1st Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Adolph Aguliar - 660 Greenbay
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Calzoni Family - 460 Buffalo
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Eric & Lola Walls - 518 Price

2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Eddie & Talisa Adigun - 365 Saginaw
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: JC Jefferson - 1064 Memorial Drive
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Gloria Szablewski - 460 Muskegon

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: James Trayne - 282 Cornell
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jimmie Radcliff - 398 Clyde
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Margaret Chavers - 402 Clyde

4<sup>th</sup> Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Nancy Ellis - 499 Oglesby
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Michelle Holmes - 543 Oglesby
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Mika & Mark Hankton - 560 Yates

5<sup>th</sup> Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Rodshell Howard - 126 Detroit
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Marica & Kevin Kolczynski - 308 Warren
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Carlos Najera & Cynthia Villasenor - 26-157th Street

6<sup>th</sup> Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: John Kresich - 1379 Stanley
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Rachel Churila - 1688 State Line
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: W. M. Stone - 954 Greenbay

7<sup>th</sup> Ward

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Leonard Modezejewski - 816 Henry
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Leroy Miller - 1062-156th Place
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Rita Gillespie - 1334 Arthur

Return - regular order of business

Alderman Munda moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to return to the regular order of business.

MOTION CARRIED

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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| <u>Finance</u>                | Alderman Wilson had no report.   |
| <u>Public Safety</u>          | Alderman Wosczyński had no report.   |
| <u>Ord. &amp; Res.</u>        | Alderman Jones had no report.  |
| <u>H.E.W.</u>                 | Alderman Munda announced that the Maranatha Baptist Church located at 101 Pulaski Road will be having a Gift of Warmth Coat giveaway on Sunday, December 25, 2011 from 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information contact (708) 832-1847. |
| <u>Permits &amp; Licenses</u> | Alderman Collins had no report.  |
| <u>Public Works</u>           | Alderman Manousopoulos was absent.   |

## CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

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| <u>Commend J. Gigliotti &amp; N. Mika</u> | Alderman Schneider commended Jim Gigliotti and Nancy Mika for organizing the 2011 Holiday Decorating Contest.  |
| <u>Commend J. Gigliotti &amp; N. Mika</u> | Alderman Wosczyński thanked Jim Gigliotti and Nancy Mika for coordinating the 2011 Holiday Decorating Contest. She also thanked all the residents that participated in the holiday decorating contest. |
| <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Toy Drive</u>      | Alderman Wosczyński announced that December 20, 2011 is the last day for participating in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward Toy Drive.  |
| <u>Prepare resolution Chester Plys</u>    | Alderman Wosczyński moved, seconded by Alderman Munda, to prepare a Resolution in memory of Chester Plys.  |

### MOTION CARRIED

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| <u>Merry Christmas</u>                  | Alderman Wosczyński wished all the residents a Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanza, Happy Hanukah and Feliz Navidad. She wished all the residents a Healthy, Happy and Blessed New Year in 2012. |
| <u>Thank J. Gigliotti &amp; N. Mika</u> | Alderman Jones thanked Jim Gigliotti and Nancy Mika for their hard work in the 2011 Holiday Decorating Contest.  |
| <u>Merry Christmas</u>                  | Alderman Jones wished his colleagues and residents a Merry Christmas and best wishes in the new year 2012.   |

Thank Pastor Graham Alderman Wilson thanked Pastor Archie Graham, God's Word Christian Center, 675 Wentworth, for hosting his holiday turkey giveaway held on December 16, 2011. He thanked everyone who participated and sponsored the event.

Merry Christmas Alderman Wilson wished all the residents a Happy Holidays and a prosperous and healthy new year.

Honorable mention Kasperek family/holiday decorating Alderman Munda gave an honorable mention for the Kasperek family for decorating for the holidays.

Merry Christmas Alderman Collins wished his colleagues and residents a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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

City Clerk Figgs/submitted monthly report/Nov. 2011 Submitting Monthly Report for November, 2011.

City Clerk Figgs/contacting cable companies RE: Contacting Cable companies.

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

MOTION CARRIED

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Release title/water dept. vehicles Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to direct the City Clerk to release titles on the following vehicles from the water department and remove from the city insurance: 1995 Ford (9689), 1994 Ford (3369) & 1996 Ford (5793).

MOTION CARRIED

#### **RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

Res. #1: terminating various debt service funds (Res. #11-60) Resolution of the City of Calumet City Terminating Various Debt Service Funds and transferring the balances therein into the General Corporate Fund. (see attached Resolution 4A)

Ord. #2: handicap parking by adding: 1474 Freeland (Ord #11-70) Ordinance amending Chapter 90 of the Municipal Code of the City of Calumet City, by adding: 1474 Freeland. (see attached Ordinance 4B)

Pass Resolution/Adopt Ordinances Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to pass the Resolution and adopt the ordinance, without the necessity of prior posting.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

- #1: Remit payment/  
Eco-Clean/\$27,648.00 Approve payment to Eco-Clean Maintenance for police department cleaning and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount not to exceed \$27,648.00 from August 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012 and charge to account #010-60-2-345.
- #2: Remit payment/  
IMRF/\$571,164.15 Authorize the City Treasurer to remit payment to the Illinois Municipal Retirement fund in an amount of \$571,164.15 to pay off the city's Regular ERI obligation. The expense should be charged to account #061-07-01-180 - Pension Contributions - participating (IMRF).
- #3: Remit payment/  
Holland Asphalt/\$3,800.00 Approve Holland Asphalt Services to reinforce berm behind 1678 Shirley Drive and install grass mat and seed and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount not to exceed \$3,800.00 and charge to account #010-99-2-990.
- #4: Remit payment/  
Robinson Engineering/  
\$10,723.85 Approve payment #6 for construction engineering on the River Oaks Drive at Paxton Avenue project to Robinson Engineering, Ltd. in the amount of \$10,723.85 and charge to account #098-09-2-600.
- #5: Approve payroll Approve payroll (\$772,385.00)
- #6: Approve bill listing Approve bill listing (\$145,610.12)
- #7: Approve legal bill listing Approve legal bill listing (\$2,119.82)
- #8: Approve extension of  
engagement letter for J.  
Kasperek Co. thru 6/30/12 Approve the extension of engagement letter for John Kasperek Co. Inc. with the City Treasurer's Office with a six-month extension through June 30, 2012 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount as stated in the communication.
- #9: Remit payment/Harris  
\$7,995.00 Approve the payroll upgrade with Harris and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment in the amount not to exceed \$7,995.00 and charge to account #010-99-2-630.
- Approve financial matters  
#1 thru #7 & #9 Alderman Schneider moved, seconded by Alderman Jones, to approve financial matters items #1 thru #7 and item #9 and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment and charge the appropriate account.

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED

Approve financial item #8 Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Wosczyński, to approve financial matters item #8 as presented and direct the City Treasurer to remit payment.

ROLL CALL

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| YEAS:   | 5 | ALDERMEN: | Wilson, Munda, Collins, Wosczyński, Jones |
| NAYS:   | 0 | ALDERMEN: | None                                      |
| ABSENT: | 1 | ALDERMAN: | Manousopoulos                             |
| ABSTAIN | 1 | ALDERMAN: | Schneider                                 |

MOTION CARRIED

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Prepare resolution/Captain Willie Williams Alderman Jones moved, seconded by Alderman Collins, to prepare a Resolution for Captain Cook Sheriff Department Willie Williams who served on School District #149 who passed and honoring his achievements.

MOTION CARRIED

Moment of silence There was a moment of silence for the passing of Captain Willie Williams.

Extend condolences Alderman Wilson extended condolences to the family of Willie Williams

Merry Christmas Alderman Munda wished all the residents a Merry Christmas.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment was at 8:10 p. m. on a motion made by Alderman Wosczyński and seconded by Alderman Schneider.

MOTION CARRIED

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Nyota T. Figgs, City Clerk

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