

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

HELD ON FEBRUARY 9, 2022 VIA ZOOM  
204 PULASKI ROAD, CALUMET CITY, ILLINOIS

CALL TO ORDER The Council Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Mayor Jones via zoom.

PUBLIC COMMENT NONE

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Wilson, Tillman, Williams,  
Gardner, Patton, Smith.

ABSENT: 1 ALDERMAN: Navarrete.

Also present were Mayor Jones, City Clerk Nyota Figgs, City Treasurer Tarka, City Administrator Deanne Jaffrey, IT Director Rick Wachowski, Economic Development Grant Coordinator Val Williams, Fire Chief Bachert, City Engineer Ken Chastin, Finance Director John Kasper, Inspectional Services Director Sheryl Tillman and Vendor State Rep Rita Mayfield, Public Works Director Jay Embry, Water Commissioner Gerry Surufka.

Mayor's Report Crime Free Housing Classes will start for the residents and landlords starting Feb. 12, 2022.

Housing Authority Rita Mayfield gave a presentation regarding the housing authority and the history of the dissolution of the housing authority. The Calumet City Housing authority was dissolved and transferred all assets to the Cook County Housing Authority. Calumet City would need to requalify for a new housing authority.

Motion to FOI Documents Re: Housing Authority Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Tillman to direct the city attorney to request a freedom of information to obtain all documents from Cook County and the Federal Housing Authority regarding the dissolution and all documents regarding the housing authority and complete an investigation into the matter.

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ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Wilson, Tillman, Williams,  
Gardner, Patton, Smith.

NAYS: 0 ALDERMAN: NONE

ABSENT: 1 ALDERMEN: Navarrete

MOTION CARRIED

ProChamps

Vendor & State Rep. Rota Mayfield gave a detailed presentation of ProChamps and the onboarding and information regarding the Registration of vacant property. There are 600 vacant properties the city is requesting registration. The city is registering foreclosures.

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Rental Inspection Fees

DIS Director Tillman gave a presentation of the new Rental Inspection fees and re-inspection fees. Dir. Tillman gave a list of the new fees.

Approve Recommended Rental inspection Fee

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman Patton to direct City Attorney to draft an ordinance recommended inspection and re inspection fees to be approved and to start on and around May 1, 2022.

ROLL CALL

YEAS: 6 ALDERMEN: Wilson, Tillman, Williams,  
Gardner, Patton, Smith.

NAYS: 0 ALDERMAN: NONE

ABSENT: 1 ALDERMEN: Navarrete

MOTION CARRIED

Water & Sewer  
Fees

Finance Director Kasperek & City Treasurer gave a brief presentation of water rates fees and sewer fees. Sewer fees have not been increased there was a recommendation to have continued discussion to increase sewer rates.

Water Meter  
Fees

Fin. Director Kasperek gave a brief presentation regarding the water meter fees and replacement. Resident are financially responsible for the meter, however, there are no installation charges. A future meeting will be held regarding the increase of fees.

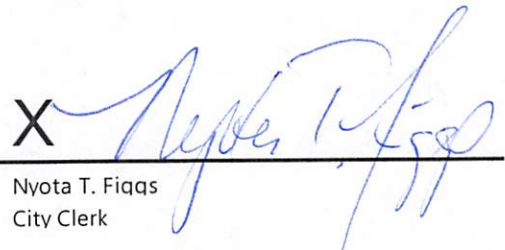
Items Tabled

All other agenda items were tabled for another agenda.

Adjournment

Alderman moved Patton to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Gardner at 4:16 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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City Clerk