

CITY OF COUNTRYSIDE

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Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting of the City Council

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

7:30 PM

City Hall

City Council Members

Mayor, Sean R. McDermott

City Clerk, Elizabeth Kmet

Treasurer, Caryn Stancik

**Aldermen James Jasinski, Thomas Mikolyzk, Scott Musillami,
John Von Drasek, Mark Benson and John Finn**

A. CALL TO ORDER – Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor McDermott.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Kmet called the Roll of those physically present as follows:

Present: Mayor McDermott, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Musillami, Alderman Benson, Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Finn, City Clerk Kmet, Treasurer Stancik

Also Present: City Administrator Paul, Police Chief Ford, City Attorney Peck, Finance Director Schutter, Asst. City Administrator Peterson

C. OMNIBUS AGENDA

1. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2020 were previously distributed to the members of the City Council. Mayor McDermott asked if there were any corrections to be made to said Minutes. There were none.
2. The Statement of Bills was submitted for payment through January 22 2020: \$672,636.53.

I move to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of January 8, 2020 and to approve the Statement of Bills through January 22, 2020 in the amount of \$672,636.53.

A motion was made by Alderman Musillami, seconded by Alderman Finn, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami, Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

D. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Nadine Beals, 6640 Dawn Avenue, had several suggestions re: City procedural matters – read minutes before calling for a vote; the audience doesn't know what minutes say. Use microphone always – audience cannot hear; public meetings should be heard. Meeting agenda should have more than two days' notice; she believes one week notice would ensure public participation; meetings should be on the City's webpage that pops up; the agenda button never works. Change Public Comment to the end of the meeting, rather than at the beginning. The Mayor thanked her for the comments.

E. MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Mayor McDermott and Police Chief Ford made presentations of a Watch and Recognition of Ken Goluszka's Retirement from the Police Department after 25 years of Service. Mayor McDermott thanked his family for their sacrifice; Ofc. Goluszka did an outstanding job; the City appreciates his service. Chief Ford stated that in the 6 ½ years he has known Ken, he was a great police officer and took the lead in many things. He hates to see him go. He was presented with a watch and a Certificate of Recognition by the Mayor, plus the thanks of a grateful city. Photos were taken; Ofc. Goluszka received a standing ovation in recognition of his service.

2. Mayor McDermott presented an Honorable Mention Award from the Countryside Police Department to Sergeant Darrell DuRell and Officer April Bisignani, along with the Countryside Police Department Public Recognition Award to Kevin Klincik, for the same incident. Chief Ford stated that on 12-7-19 the officers were called to a domestic incident at the Best Western Motel. The female involved was threatening to shoot others and kill herself. She was holding a gun concealed beneath her jacket; she resisted attempts to disarm her by the police present. Paramedic Kevin Klincik came on scene and assisted in removing the weapon and resolving the situation without endangering anyone. The female was transported to hospital for mental evaluation and returned to face charges. The officers and paramedic did a great job in defusing the situation without harm to anyone. Photos were taken and awards presented.
3. Swearing in of Jon Gertsmeier to the PC/ZBA will be tabled to a later date.

F. CITY CLERK'S REPORT - NO REPORT

G. TREASURER'S REPORT – NO REPORT

H. COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND, IF SO DETERMINED, ACTION UPON:

1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- a. Alderman Von Drasek stated that an Economic Development Meeting was to have taken place earlier this evening, however, the individuals involved did not have the proper paperwork submitted in time so the meeting could not proceed this evening.

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. Alderman Finn stated that In December 2019 the City Council approved the Lyons Township Area Communications Center (LTACC) to provide emergency police dispatch service for the City of Countryside. The following items are needed to augment the equipment and keep communication services compatible with LTACC. Alderman Finn sought consideration to waive the formal bidding process and purchase 19 Motorola APX 6000 Portable Public Safety Radios from Motorola, a sole source vendor in the amount of \$96,684.29.

A motion was made by Alderman Benson, seconded by Alderman Musillami, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami,
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

- b. Alderman Finn sought consideration to waive the formal bidding process and purchase 9 Dell Laptop Computers (MDT) and 7 Vehicle Docking Stations for police vehicles from Dell, a sole source vendor, and installation from MPC Communications (Current Police Vehicles Up-Fitter) in the amount of \$29,483.36.

A motion was made by Alderman Mikolyzk, seconded by Alderman Jasinski, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami,
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

- c. Alderman Finn sought consideration to waive the formal bidding process to purchase and install a Digital 700/800 Radio Signal Building Amplifier from Chicago Communications, Elmhurst, IL, a sole source vendor in the amount of \$21,873.06.

A motion was made by Alderman Musillami, seconded by Alderman Von Drasek, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0**3. HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE – NO REPORT****4. INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE – NO REPORT****5. PLAN COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

- a. City Attorney Peck sought consideration of an Ordinance Granting a Special Use at 6191 Joliet Road. All new car dealerships are required to be a Special Use in the City. As businesses are sold or seek expansion, the City requires them to apply for a Special Use. This is the case for Autobarn Subaru Dealership of Countryside. On January 7, 2020, the Autobarn Subaru of Countryside appeared before the PC/ZBA seeking a Special Use variation for the expansion of a pre-existing legal retail auto sales dealership, including outdoor display and sales, upon the real estate commonly known as 6191 Joliet Road. After all testimony and evidence was heard, the PC/ZBA found that all requirements for a Special Use were met and no objections were made. The PC/ZBA approved the request for Special Use to operate the automobile retail sales dealership.

A motion was made by Alderman Musillami, seconded by Alderman Von Drasek, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

City Clerk Kmet declared that this will be known as ORDINANCE 20-02-O.

6. SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

- a. Alderman Jasinski thanked the City Staff and all elected officials who assisted in the Second Annual Winterfest held last weekend at the Flagg Creek Golf Course; the weather did not cooperate on Friday evening. Saturday turned out very well; many children came out and enjoyed all the planned activities. The event was a success. The next Special Event is the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 7, 2020; more info to follow; please come and join the City as it celebrates this event.

7. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE - NO REPORT**8. FLAGG CREEK ADVISORY BOARD**

- a. Alderman Von Drasek stated that 1,052 rounds of golf were played in December 2019 – a good way to finish the year.

- b. Consideration of New Agreement with Golfnow Business Solutions. Finance Director Schutter stated that the program has more enhanced features; the ranger/starter will have real-time access to the tee sheet and transaction processing information. The beverage cart transactions can be processed remotely. This advanced technology will be a great addition to the golf course.

A motion was made by Alderman Musillami, seconded by Alderman Von Drasek, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

- c. Alderman Von Drasek attended a meeting of Aging Care on Monday; May celebrates Seniors month; please come out to hear the topics discussed. Aging Care is seeking volunteers interested in helping Seniors to stay in their homes; information re: home care and assistance will be presented. Please contact the City for volunteer information.

I. LEGAL REPORT – NO REPORT

J. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- a. Ms. Paul sought consideration of payment request #26 in the amount of \$540,616 under the Project Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) to Frederick Quinn Corporation (FQC), for the construction of the Municipal Complex. The City has retainage; most items are complete; there are a few items remaining on the punch list.

A motion was made by Alderman Benson, seconded by Alderman Finn, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

K. STAFF REPORTS

1. CHIEF OF POLICE

- a. Chief Ford thanked City Council members for their support of the Police Department. Ald. Finn mentioned that the move to LTACC will be a great addition to the City re: officer safety and public service to the citizens. While the upfront cost may be greater, the City will save money by switching to this Dispatch Center. The Mayor stated that members of LTACC are the City of Countryside, Village of LaGrange and LaGrange Park and Western Springs, along with their Fire Departments, bringing all users more continuity and a better radio system.

2. CITY ENGINEER – NO REPORT

3. ASSISTANT CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- a. Ms. Peterson sought consideration of a Local Public Agency Amendment #1 for Federal Participation for the Brainard Avenue Shared-Use Path. The City sent a letter to IDOT

requesting additional funding in the amount of \$190,000, combined for engineering and construction overages due to special waste disposal, extra trees and shrub plantings and extra pedestrian signal heads required by Cook County. They granted the City an additional \$152,000 in ITEP funds; this amendment to the contract is for that additional funding.

A motion was made by Alderman Jasinski, seconded by Alderman Musillami, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

- b.** Consideration of a Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation Amendment #1 for the Brainard Avenue Shared-Use Path. This agreement is with Frank Novotny naming them as the engineering firm for the remainder of the above project.

A motion was made by Alderman Benson, seconded by Alderman Finn, that this matter be APPROVED as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

- L. BUSINESS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND, IF SO DETERMINED, ACTION UPON: NONE**

M. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Musillami, seconded by Alderman Von Drasek that this meeting be ADJOURNED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Musillami
Alderman Jasinski, Alderman Benson, Alderman Finn

Nay: 0

Mayor McDermott declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

APPROVED:

Respectfully Submitted,

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ELIZABETH KMET, CITY CLERK