

# CITY OF COUNTRYSIDE

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## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Regular Meeting of the City Council**

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

7:30 PM

City Hall

#### **City Council Members**

**Mayor, Sean R. McDermott**

**City Clerk, Elizabeth Kmet**

**Treasurer, Courtney Bolt**

**Aldermen Thomas Mikolyzk, Scott Musillami, John Finn  
John Von Drasek, Mark Benson and Tom Frohlich**

- A. CALL TO ORDER** –The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor McDermott. Treasurer Bolt led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Roll Call:** City Clerk Kmet called the Roll of those physically present as follows:  
**Present:** Mayor McDermott, Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Finn, Alderman Musillami, Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Benson, City Clerk Kmet, City Treasurer Bolt  
**Also Present:** City Administrator Paul, Police Chief Ford, City Attorney Peck, Asst. City Administrator Peterson, Finance Director Schutter, City Engineer Fitzgerald, Recording Sec. Prokop

**B. OMNIBUS AGENDA**

1. Approval of the City Council Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2022.
2. The Statement of Bills submitted for payment through August 10, 2022: \$684,372.30.

I move to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of July 13, 2022, and the Statement of Bills through August 10, 2022, in the amount of \$684,372.30.

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

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson  
**Nay: 0**

**C. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - NONE**

**D. MAYOR'S REPORT**

- a. Mayor McDermott sought consideration of a Block Party Request from Deb Blecic at 5871 Longview Drive from 2-7 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022 (rain date of Sunday, 9-25-22).

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

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson  
**Nay: 0**

- b. Consideration of an Ordinance Decreasing the Class W Liquor Licenses by One.

**A motion was made by Alderman Mikolyzk, seconded by Alderman Finn that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson  
**Nay: 0**

**Clerk Kmet declared that this will be known as ORDINANCE 22-33-O.**

- c. Consideration of Appointment of Thomas Geraghty to the Plan Commission / Zoning Board of Appeals.

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

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson

**Nay: 0**

- d. Consideration of Appointment of Robert Schwarz as Chairman of the Plan Commission – Zoning board of Appeals.

**A motion was made by Alderman Finn, seconded by Alderman Frohlich that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson

**Nay: 0**

Mayor McDermott thanked all the candidates for their willingness to serve in these positions.

- e. Mayor McDermott administered the Oath of Office to Michael Wilson as a Commissioner on the Board of Fire and Police Commission in the City of Countryside; all welcomed him to the new position. Mike is a fireman in the Village of Hinsdale. City Council members congratulated him on the appointment. Documents were signed and photos taken.
- f. Mayor McDermott administered the Oath of Office to Thomas Geraghty as a Commissioner on the Plan Commission / Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Countryside. City Council members welcomed him on board. The audience congratulated him on his appointment. Photos were taken and the appropriate documentation signed.
- g. Mayor McDermott administered the Oath of Office to Robert Schwarz, a long-time public servant as a Cook County State’s Attorney and at the Illinois Attorney General’s Office, as Chairman of the Plan Commission – Zoning Board of Appeals. Board members congratulated him on the appointment; photos were taken and documents signed.

**E. CITY CLERK’S REPORT - NO REPORT**

**F. TREASURER’S REPORT – NO REPORT**

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

**1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – NO REPORT**

**2. FINANCE COMMITTEE – NO REPORT**

**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 a request to Reinstate and Extend the Approved Special Use Variation at 10525 – 74<sup>th</sup> Street (Ordinance #20-17-O) – Fred Hoffmann. This RDA is between the City, Hoffmann New Horizons Corp. and the Village of Hodgkins. They requested an extension of the RDA; since then the Special Use has expired. They are seeking an extension to the Special Use Variation until December 31, 2022.

**A motion was made by Alderman Mikolyzk, seconded by Alderman Von Drasek that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson

**Nay: 0**

- b.** Consideration of an Ordinance granting a Text Amendment to Section 10-6C-2 making Commissaries a Special Use in the B-3 Zoning District. At the hearing held on August 2, 2022, the PC/ZBA heard all testimony and evidence. They found that all conditions were met for such Special Use. There were no objections, written or oral, at the meeting. It was the recommendation of the PC/ZBA to make Commissaries a Special Use in the B-3 Zoning District.

**A motion was made by Alderman Von Drasek, seconded by Alderman Frohlich that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson

**Nay: 0**

**City Clerk Kmet declared that this will be known as ORDINANCE 22-34-O.**

#### **6. SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE**

- a.** FYI – Alderman Musillami stated that tomorrow evening is the last Concerts in the Park. It is a make-up from the first concert which was cancelled due to heat. A huge thank you to Westfield Ford for being our sponsor. The band is Second Hand Soul; the food vendor is Pisa Pizza. We look forward to seeing everyone out there tomorrow evening.

#### **7. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**

- a.** Alderman Musillami stated that all our plantings are looking pretty good. Thanks to Gail Paul for her attention to this matter.

#### **8. FLAGG CREEK ADVISORY BOARD – NO REPORT**

#### **H. LEGAL REPORT – NO REPORT**

#### **I. CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – NO REPORT**

#### **J. STAFF REPORTS**

##### **1. Police Chief Ford - NO REPORT**

##### **2. City Engineer Fitzgerald – NO REPORT**

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

#### **L. RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a.** To discuss the purchase of Real Estate under Section 2 (c)(5) and to review Minutes of the City Council Executive Session of April 13, 2022 and July 13, 2022 under Section 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act.

**A motion was made by Alderman Von Drasek, seconded by Alderman Benson that this meeting be RECESSED; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Benson,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Finn

**Nay: 0**

**Mayor McDermott declared the meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m.**

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**M. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

a. The Regular City Council returned to Open Session with the same members present at 7:58 p.m.

**N. Motion to approve the City Council Executive Session minutes of April 13, 2022 and July 13, 2022.**

**A motion was made by Alderman Mikolyzk, seconded by Alderman Frohlich that this matter be APPROVED as presented; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Von Drasek,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Finn, Alderman Benson

**Nay: 0**

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Alderman Von Drasek, seconded by Alderman Finn that this meeting be ADJOURNED; motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye: 6** Alderman Musillami, Alderman Frohlich, Alderman Benson,  
Alderman Mikolyzk, Alderman Von Drasek, Alderman Finn

**Nay: 0**

**Mayor McDermott declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.**

APPROVED

Respectfully Submitted,

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ELIZABETH KMET, CITY CLERK