



CITY OF WOOD DALE

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF WOOD DALE, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
March 18, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Mayor Nunzio Pulice called the Regular City Council Meeting to Order at 7:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following were:

Present: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino (arrived 7:33 pm),
Susmarski, E. Wesley, Woods, and Mayor Pulice

Absent: Alderman R. Wesley

Also Present: City Clerk Curiale, Treasurer Porch, City Manager Mermuys, Legal Counsel Bond, Police Chief Vesta, Finance Director Wilson, Public Works Director Lange, AICP/CD Director Cage, Marketing & Special Events Paplauskas, Deputy Chief O'Neil, along with Guest speakers Kay McKeen, President and Founder of SCARCE, and Sheila Rutledge, DuPage County Board Commissioner and Chairman of the Environmental Committee for DuPage County

Whereupon the Mayor declared a quorum present.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman E. Wesley made a motion, seconded by Alderman Susmarski, to approve the Regular City Council Minutes of March 4, 2021. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and
Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

i. Citizens to be Heard

None

ii. Written Communiqués of Citizens to Be Heard

None

VI. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Earth Flag Presentation

Mayor Pulice asked Deputy Chief O'Neil to give a power point presentation highlighting the Wood Dale for a Greener Tomorrow Committee's work toward helping the City of Wood Dale earn the Earth Flag from SCARCE, recognizing their commitment to practice and promote environmental friendly practices.

Kay McKeen, President and Founder of SCARCE complimented the City for their dedication and being a role model for other communities.

Sheila Rutledge, DuPage County Board Commissioner and Chairman of the Environmental Committee of DuPage County, read a proclamation from DuPage County Board Chairman Daniel J. Cronin and the DuPage County Board to the City for their exemplary efforts and outstanding sustainability accomplishments.

Ms. McKeen and Ms. Rutledge then presented the Earth Flag and Proclamation to the City of Wood Dale.

VII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Mermuys reported:

- i. The Veteran Banner Recognition Program has had a wonderful response from the community and will be launched to commemorate Memorial Day this year. There are still a few slots available to honor a loved one with a Banner. The deadline to apply is April 11.
- ii. The City is always looking for Residents to serve on Committees, e.g. Wood Dale for A Greener Tomorrow Committee, to give input and participate in discussions. Information can be found online or email Committees@wooddale.com

Mayor Pulice added a reminder the Library will not be a Polling Place for the April 6 Election. Information about the new Polling Location will be available next week.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Omnibus Vote

- i. *An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5, Section 5.304 A.2 of the Municipal Code of the City of Wood Dale of 1993 to Provide for the Creation of a Class Covid Temporary Liquor License*
- ii. *A Resolution Authorizing Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining and Service*
- iii. *A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement Between City of Wood Dale and the State of Illinois/Department of Natural Resources for the City of Wood Dale Flood Hazard Mitigation Project Contract Number OWR-402*

The Mayor questioned if there were any objections to the Consent Agenda. Hearing none and on a motion by Alderman E. Wesley, seconded by Alderman Catalano, to approve the Consent Agenda. When the Question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried, approving the following:

- i. *An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5, Section 5.304 A.2 of the Municipal Code of the City of Wood Dale of 1993 to Provide for the Creation of a Class Covid Temporary Liquor License*
- ii. *A Resolution Authorizing Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Dining and Service*
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On a motion by Alderman E. Wesley, seconded by Alderman Susmarski, to approve the individual items on the Consent Agenda, including Items 1, 2, and 3. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

IX. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

A. **Planning, Zoning and Building Committee**

- i. *An Ordinance Approving and Causing Publication of the City of Wood Dale 2021 Official Zoning Map*

On a motion by Alderman Jakab, seconded by Alderman Sorrentino, to approve *An Ordinance Approving and Causing Publication of the City of Wood Dale 2021 Official Zoning Map*. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

- ii. *A Resolution Authorizing the Approval and Execution of an Agreement for Purchase and Sale of a Portion of the Real Estate Located at 755-777 N. Edgewood Avenue, Wood Dale, DuPage County, Illinois and Conveyance of a Temporary Construction Easement for Road Improvement Purposes*

On a motion by Alderman Jakab, seconded by Alderman Sorrentino, to approve *A Resolution Authorizing the Approval and Execution of an Agreement for Purchase and Sale of a Portion of the Real Estate Located at 755-777 N. Edgewood Avenue, Wood Dale, DuPage County, Illinois and Conveyance of a Temporary Construction Easement for Road Improvement Purposes*, subject to final Attorney review and approval. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. Public Health, Safety, Judiciary and Ethics Committee

No Report

C. Public Works Committee

- i. *Approval of Pay Request No. 2 (Final) to Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. for the FY 2021 Pavement Patching and Crack Sealing Program in the Amount of \$42,099.22*

On a motion by Alderman Catalano, seconded by Alderman Messina, to approve the *Approval of Pay Request No. 2 (Final) to Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. for the FY 2021 Pavement Patching and Crack Sealing Program in the Amount of \$42,099.22*. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

D. Finance and Administration Committee

- i. *A Resolution to Adopt Early Retirement Incentive, IMRF Form 6.77*

On a motion by Alderman Sorrentino, seconded by Alderman Catalano, to approve *A Resolution to Adopt Early Retirement Incentive, IMRF Form 6.77*.

Director Wilson responded to inquiries by the Council concerning how the financial information in the Resolution had been determined and to clarify some points. Director Wilson explained it is based on a total of all employees that are eligible for retirement. Some employees have already indicated they will not take early retirement so the amount will be lower. The amount was determined by taking their projected earnings over the next 5 years, including vacation, bonuses, etc. payouts, then applying the City's current rate paid to IMRF, then calculate what that would be over those 5 years, and then a number is assigned to each of those employees. That would be the City's cost if the employee takes the ERI and purchases all 5 years, then the City will have to amortize over 10 years and pay off that amount. Savings can be achieved if hiring new people at a lower salary, hire fewer people at the same salary, write a check for the full amount, or take an alternate loan for 10 years at a lower interest rate than the IMRF rate. The City has the ability to stagger the retirements to prevent vacancies in the department.

Manager Mermuys added there is a Succession Plan for Union and Non-Union employees and it is preferred to promote from within, however, it is not always possible to do so.

When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Abstain: Alderman Catalano

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

ii. *A Resolution to Adopt Amortization Period for IMRF Early Retirement Incentive, IMRF Form 6.78*

On a motion by Alderman Susmarski, seconded by Alderman Sorrentino, to approve *A Resolution to Adopt Amortization Period for IMRF Early Retirement Incentive, IMRF Form 6.78*. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes Aldermen Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Abstain: Alderman Catalano

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Airport Noise Committee

No report

B. Stormwater Commission Report:

No report

X. APPROVAL OF LIST OF BILLS: March 18, 2021 - - \$870,839.39

On a motion by Alderman Woods, seconded by Alderman Susmarski, to approve the March 18, 2021 payment of the List of Bills, for the total amount of **\$870,839.39** for the following:

• General Fund	\$	258,316.34
• Road & Bridge Fund	\$	450.20
• Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$	29,670.95
• Tourism Fund	\$	8,685.50
• Narcotics Fund	\$	-
• TIF District #1	\$	-
• TIF District #2	\$	-
• Capital Projects Fund	\$	332,117.82
• Land Acquisition Fund	\$	-
• Commuter Parking Lot Fund	\$	532.60
• Sanitation Fund	\$	(63.29)
• Water & Sewer Fund	\$	241,129.27
• CERF	\$	-
• Special Service Area Fund	\$	-

Total of all Funds: \$ **870,839.39**
Total Number of Checks: **80**

When the question was put a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Alderman Susmarski, seconded by Alderman Jakab, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2021 to go to Executive Session to discuss the Review of the Official Record [Pursuant to 5ILCS120/2(c)(21)] and Land Acquisition [Pursuant to 5ILCS120/2(c)(5)]. When the question was put, a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

XII. ITEMS TO BE REFERRED

None

XIII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

None

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Alderman Susmarski, seconded by Alderman Jakab, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2021 to go to Executive Session to discuss the Review of the Official Record [Pursuant to 5ILCS120/2(c)(21)] and Land Acquisition [Pursuant to 5ILCS120/2(c)(5)]. When the question was put, all Aldermen voted in the Affirmative / or a roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Ayes: Aldermen Catalano, Jakab, Messina, Sorrentino, Susmarski, E. Wesley and Woods

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.