

CITY OF WARRENVILLE
CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held on Monday, November 2, 2020
At the Warrenville City Hall
28W701 Stafford Place

In accordance with social distancing requirements, Governor Pritzker's Executive Orders 2020-43 and 2020-44, and Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act (see Public Act 1010640), this meeting was held virtually.

I. OPENING CEREMONIES

A. Call to Order

Mayor Brummel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Mayor David Brummel, Ald. Stu Aschauer, Clare Barry, Fred Bevier, Kathy Davolos, Leah Goodman, Jeff Krischel, Bill Weidner, and Robert Wilson

Absent: None

Also Present: City Administrator John Coakley, Assistant City Administrator Cristina White, Finance Director Kevin Dahlstrand, Community and Economic Development Director Ron Mentzer, Deputy Public Works Director Phil Kuchler, Police Chief Ray Turano, Treasurer Larry Brenner, Attorney Brooke Lenneman, and City Clerk Emily Larson

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Proclamation – School Board Members Day, November 15, 2020

Mayor Brummel proclaimed November 15, 2020, as "*School Board Members Day*" in Warrenville as a way to honor those citizens who devote so much of their time and energy for the education of children. District 200 School board member Jim Mathieson accepted the proclamation on behalf of the board and said the board continues to offer alternatives to provide safe education for all students.

II. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Bob Siebert, Albright Court, encouraged everyone to vote on November 3. He said the negative press directed to the police is of great concern and thanked the Warrenville Police department for their service.

III. OFFICIALS AND STAFF COMMENTS

A. Mayor

Election Day

Mayor Brummel encouraged everyone to get out and vote. Regardless of the outcome, it is a valuable part of the democratic process.

Local Businesses and Restaurants

Mayor Brummel encouraged residents to support local retail, food and beverage establishments by shopping local and ordering takeout or dining al fresco while the weather is still nice.

COVID-19 Update

Mayor Brummel announced DuPage County is experiencing a rise in COVID-19 activity. Residents are strongly encouraged to continue following personal protective measures for the prevention and spread of COVID-19 by wearing a mask in public, washing hands, and maintaining a safe social distance from people outside their household. It is very important to stay focused on working together as a community to slow the spread of the virus and keep our friends, loved ones, and neighbors safe.

B. Clerk

No report

C. Treasurer

No report

D. Aldermen

Congratulations

Ald. Barry congratulated Assistant City Administrator Cristina White on her appointment as President of the Illinois Public Employee Labor Relations Association.

Thank You

Ald. Barry thanked Assistant City Administrator Cristina White for her support to the Tourism and Arts Commission (TAC). She stated that Senior Accountant Leo Beltran will be the City liaison to TAC going forward.

Happy Birthday

Ald. Davolos wished Ald. Goodman a happy birthday.

Congratulations

Ald. Davolos congratulated Assistant City Administrator Cristina White on her appointment as President of the Illinois Public Employee Labor Relations Association.

Election Day

Ald. Goodman noted that residents may register to vote on November 3. She thanked the DuPage County Clerk and all who will be working on Election Day to provide the opportunity for all to vote.

Trick or Treat

Ald. Krischel commented on the creative ways that residents found to safely hand out candy on Halloween. Mayor Brummel thanked the Park District for holding the recent Halloween Parade.

E. Administrator

COVID-19 Update

City Administrator Coakley said the COVID-19 rate is rising in DuPage County and Tier 1 mitigation restrictions have been implemented by the state. He urged residents to follow DuPage County’s COVID-19 guidelines by following the three W’s; wash hands, wear masks, and watch social distance. He said additional mitigations will be forthcoming if the numbers keep rising.

F. Attorney

No report

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion:

VI. A. Removed by Ald. Goodman for discussion

ALD. WEIDNER MOVED, second by Ald. Davolos, to approve the items on the agenda for the November 2, 2020, City Council regular meeting, as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Ald. Barry, Weidner, Krischel, Wilson, Aschauer, Goodman, Bevier, and Davolos
Nay: None MOTION ADOPTED

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ALD. WEIDNER MOVED, second by Ald. Davolos, to approve:

- A. Minutes of the October 19, 2020, City Council regular meeting
- B. Minutes of the October 19, 2020, City Council closed session meeting

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Ald. Krischel, Wilson, Bevier, Barry, Goodman, Davolos, Weidner, and Aschauer
Nay: None MOTION ADOPTED

VI. CONSENT AGENDA – OMNIBUS VOTE

A. Removed by Ald. Goodman for discussion

- B. Accept Mayor Brummel’s recommendation and pass resolution R2020-64, extending the duration of the March 16, 2020, Declaration of Emergency until the adjournment of the next regular, special, or emergency meeting of the City Council
- C. Accept staff recommendation, and approve the pay range for the position of parttime Code Enforcement Officer as presented
- D. Receive and file minutes of the Police Pension Board regular meeting held on August 11, 2020
- E. Receive and file minutes of the Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission regular meeting held on September 1, 2020
- F. Receive and file minutes of the Tourism and Arts Commission regular meeting held on September 17, 2020
- G. Receive and file minutes of the Community Relations Task Force regular meeting held on September 29, 2020
- H. Receive and file report of invoices paid up to October 28, 2020, in the amount of \$64,681.96
- I. Authorize expenditures for invoices due on or before November 16, 2020, in the amount of \$256,820.71

ALD WEIDNER MOVED, second by Ald. Davolos, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Ald. Aschauer, Goodman, Weidner, Bevier, Wilson, Barry, Davolos, and Krischel
Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

A. Authorized Strength Ordinance

ALD. GOODMAN MOVED, second by Ald. Davolos, to accept staff recommendation, waive second reading, and pass ordinance O2020-37, amending the authorized strength ordinance.

Discussion: Ald. Goodman questioned why the position of Fleet Management Technician was included in the authorized strength ordinance. Deputy Public Works Director Kuchler said staff is not intending to fill this position this year. He noted the position is not being eliminated.

City Administrator Coakley said the position has not been filled because the City has not found a qualified person. He said all work is being sent out to vendors, and

staff has made a commitment to retain the position, just not fill it now. Staff will continue to reevaluate the need for the position in the future. He reiterated that the recommendation is to keep the position at this time.

Ald. Goodman said that at one time Deputy Kuckler had said the position would be eliminated to save money and questioned why staff is continuing to recruit for a position that will not be filled.

City Administrator Coakley said the position will remain vacant, but staff is not actively recruiting at this time. He noted that he recommended leaving the position on the authorized personnel strength rather than removing it.

The remainder of the Council agreed to keep the position in place.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Ald. Barry, Goodman, Weidner, Krischel, Bevier, Davolos, Aschauer, and Wilson

Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

None

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None

X. CLOSED SESSION

None

XI. ADJOURN

ALD. WEIDNER MOVED, second by Ald, Wilson, to adjourn.

ROLL CALL VOTE:


Aye: Ald. Aschauer, Barry, Bevier, Davolos, Goodman, Krischel, Weidner, and Wilson

Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

The regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Approved: _____ November 16, 2020


Emily J. Larson, City Clerk