

CITY OF WARRENVILLE
CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held virtually on Monday, November 1, 2021
At Warrenville City Hall
28W701 Stafford Place

In accordance with Governor Pritzker's Disaster Proclamation, Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7(e), and a determination by the Mayor of the City of Warrenville, 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

Physically Present: Mayor David Brummel

Virtually Present: Aldermen: Jay Anderson, Stu Aschauer, Clare Barry, Kathy Davolos, Leah Goodman, Jeff Krischel, Bill Weidner, and Robert Wilson

Absent: None

Also Physically Present: City Administrator John Coakley, Assistant City Administrator Cristina White, and City Clerk Julie Clark

Virtually Present: Attorney Brooke Lenneman, Police Chief Ray Turano, Finance Director Kevin Dahlstrand, Community and Economic Development Director Ron Mentzer, and Public Works Director Phil Kuchler

Also Absent: City Treasurer Ann Behrens

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Brummel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Presentation of FY 2021 Audit Report by Lauterbach and Amen

Brad Porter, Audit Manager from Lauterbach and Amen, provided an overview of the highlights of the FY 2021 Audit Report. He stated that the City received an unmodified opinion, which means that the auditors believe the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects. Mr. Porter also said they had no findings of any internal control weaknesses. He thanked the Finance Department staff for all their efforts to get the audit done, despite the pandemic.

Council members expressed appreciation to the auditors for the report and the presentation. They also complimented the Finance staff for their work in managing the accounting and finances, which resulted in such a positive audit report.

Alderman Goodman asked about the Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative (IPBC) balance reserve, what caused the big year-to-year drop in the deferred items from FY 2020 to FY 2021, and about the loss of interest income in the enterprise fund. She stated the 28% decrease in expenditures under governmental activities was due to the cutbacks related to the pandemic. She also questioned investment income losses in business type activities. She also stated her appreciation for the monthly financial update reports, which helped her to better interpret the FY 2021 audit report.

Mr. Porter explained that the IPBC Terminal reserve represents an asset of the City held by IPBC, as the result of City contributions, and Finance Director Dahlstrand went on to clarify that IPBC is the benefits cooperative the City belongs to for the employee healthcare.

Finance Director Dahlstrand explained that the investment losses are the result of the timing of the audit and the timing of investment maturities. For example, annually at April 30, there might be a loss showing due to timing, however, by June that could be a gain due to when investments mature.

City Administrator Coakley acknowledged the great work in overseeing the accounting and fiscal control by the Finance staff. He also commented on the challenges of financial management during a pandemic, and noted that the minor change in the general fund balance was due to significant reductions in spending, federal Coronavirus Aid Relief Economic Security (CARES) Act money shared by DuPage County, a lot of difficult decisions, and hard work. He acknowledged the continuing efforts and demonstrated leadership by the senior staff, Mayor, and Aldermen to maintain the city core services and personnel during that most difficult year. He also noted that the pandemic's fiscal challenges continue as the local economy recovers.

II. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Bob Siebert, Albright Court, noted that the Sundance property is up for sale.

Julie Parker, 3S080 Barkley Avenue, Warrenville, thanked Mayor Brummel for making the proclamation in October for breast cancer awareness.

Sheila Wakely, 29W463 Amber Lane, Warrenville, shared that she is in favor of the proposed changes for the Sequestria Subdivision.

III. OFFICIALS AND STAFF COMMENTS

A. Mayor

Mayor Brummel thanked the Warrenville Park District for the Fall Fest.

B. Clerk

No report

- C. Treasurer
No report
- D. Aldermen
Several Aldermen shared that they enjoyed seeing Halloween celebrated this year similar to how it used to be.
- E. City Administrator
City Administrator Coakley asked all who can get a COVID-19 vaccine or booster to do so, and shared that he received the booster shot last week. He added that he also enjoyed seeing more people out with children trick-or-treating on Halloween.
- F. City Attorney
No report

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Weidner made a motion, seconded by Alderman Davolos, to approve the agenda for the November 1, 2021, City Council regular meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Aldermen: Goodman, Anderson, Weidner, Wilson, Krischel, Barry, Aschauer, and Davolos

Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman Weidner made a motion, seconded by Alderman Davolos, to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2021, City Council regular meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Aldermen: Wilson, Davolos, Barry, Krischel, Goodman, Anderson, Weidner and Aschauer

Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

VI. CONSENT AGENDA – OMNIBUS VOTE

- A. Accept staff recommendation, waive second reading, and pass ordinance O2021-40, approving an amended and restated Aurora Way/Sequestria Subdivision Agreement
- B. Accept Plan Commission recommendation, waive second reading, and pass ordinance O2021-41, approving a sign variance for 28W571 Batavia Road, which will provide relief from wall sign projection restrictions for the Recycled Cycling Bike Shop.
- C. Accept staff recommendation and pass resolution R2021-64, awarding the contract for the 2021 Asbestos Abatement and Building Demolition to Omega III LLC, of Elgin, IL, in the amount of \$60,503.00

- D. Accept Mayor Brummel's recommendation and approve the appointment of Mark Taylor to fill the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Ward 4 vacancy for a term expiring January 19, 2022
- E. Accept Mayor Brummel's recommendation and approve the appointment of Bob Vavra to fill the Plan Commission Ward 4 vacancy for a term expiring May 20, 2024
- F. Receive and file the FY 2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (Audit Report)
- G. Receive and file minutes of the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on October 21, 2021
- H. Receive and file minutes of the Police Pension Board meeting held on August 10, 2021
- I. Receive and file minutes of the Police Pension Board meeting held on September 14, 2021
- J. Receive and file report of invoices paid up to October 27, 2021, in the amount of \$59,110.01
- K. Authorize expenditures for invoices due on or before November 15, 2021, in the amount of \$165,233.80

Alderman Weidner made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wilson, to approve the Consent Agenda items as read.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Aldermen: Anderson, Krischel, Davolos, Weidner, Aschauer, Wilson, Barry, and Goodman

Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. CLOSED SESSION

XI. ADJOURN

Alderman Wilson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Davolos to adjourn.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: Alderman: Weidner, Aschauer, Anderson, Barry, Davolos, Krischel, Goodman,
and Wilson

Nay: None

MOTION ADOPTED

The regular Council meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved: November 15, 2021


Julie Clark, City Clerk