

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES – February 28, 2017**

**Acting Mayor Veenbaas called the Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.**

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:**

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Cannon, Prejna, Majikes, Judd, Banger, D’Astice, Veenbaas

Absent: 0

**Staff Members Present:** City Manager Barry Krumstok, Deputy City Clerk Ginny Cotugno, Assistant to the City Manager Lori Ciezak, Community Development Director Valerie Dehner, Finance Director Melissa Gallagher, Fire Chief Scott Franzgrote, Police Chief John Nowacki, Public Works Director Fred Vogt, City Attorney Jim Macholl

Acting Mayor Veenbaas read the following statement:

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**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: The first item on the agenda this evening is a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Is there such a motion? Alderman Cannon made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. D’Astice. Are there any additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes? Seeing none the question is shall the minutes be approved? All those in favor please signify by saying aye; those opposed? The ayes have it and the minutes are approved.

**MOTION TO DEVIATE:**

**1) Life Saving Awards**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Is there a motion to deviate from the agenda? Alderman Prejna made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Banger. All those in favor say aye; those opposed say nay. The ayes have it and the council will deviate from the agenda.

Chief Nowacki presented the Life Saving Awards and Life Saving Ribbons to four officers, Officer Bawden, Officer Don, Officer Pistorius, and Officer Barry.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Speaking on behalf of the Mayor, the Council, the Staff and the Rolling Meadows residents, we really, really, really appreciate everything you guys do.

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**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: The only report that I have is I was very fortunate to attend the Jazz in the Meadows last weekend and I just thought that was such an incredible, incredible event. I wish more people had attended. We need to give it more publicity I think from the standpoint that it's the largest Jazz Festival for High Schools virtually in the Midwest, if not the Country. So with that it's the incredible, incredible instrumental people that I heard. It was an all-day affair. I believe almost 2,000 people came to Rolling Meadows for this event so that's also like a tourism part of it too, but again just an incredible part of that event and that's my report for this evening.

**WARD REPORTS:**

Are there Ward Reports this evening?

**Ward 2:**

Alderman Prejna: It is going to be a busy weekend for the City of Rolling Meadows. First off for those of you that are going to be around Saturday at the Library it is Dr. Seuss' Celebration and I've had the opportunity to be there with Alderman Majikes and Alderman Banger in years past and it's a great event so I encourage everybody. There are two readings, correct, during the day.

Then also as being part of the team for Community Events Foundation, it's our first annual Taste of the Town which is March 4<sup>th</sup>, next Saturday. It's an opportunity to sample and sip event in Rolling Meadows so I would invite everyone to be there. It will be at the Community Center from 6 to 9pm.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Thank you very much. Any other Ward Reports? Okay, I see none. Let's move on to the public portion of the meeting.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES:**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: I understand there are one, two, three, four people have signed in this evening. So the council meeting is now open to members of the audience for 20 minutes to address the City Council on matters that are on the agenda or regrading other issues. Would Gill Valerio please come and my understanding is you want to talk about Item 10 on our agenda tonight.

Gill Valerio: Hello everybody. Mayor, it was Item D I believe.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: D, yes

Mr. Valerio: My name is Gill Valerio. I'm here for Item D on behalf of Anytime Fitness. We're looking to open a new location right up the street on Kirchoff Road. So, really just here to observe. We came about two, three weeks ago for the hearing with Valerie and just really here to observe and answer any questions if needed.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: And are you with Mr. Rod Miller too?

Mr. Valerio: Yes

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Would you like to come forward too? We include everybody.

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Rod Miller: We're truly excited to be here. And as Gill mentioned it's just right down the road about a ½ mile or something like that in the shopping center that they're developing. Anytime Fitness is a great format for fitness and both Gill and I worked out all of our adult lives, mine a little bit longer than his and it's really a passion for us. So, the whole Anytime Fitness concept is to build a community in the gym and help people get to a better place in their lives, to get more fitness in their lives. This is our second franchise and we started one in Aurora and its going along very nicely and people in the area are just really enthusiastic and a lot of people have already made some changes in their lives and we build a community. When you go in there it's the next best place to Disneyland, I swear, so we really enjoy it and our wives are also involved in it so we're trying to build another community.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Thank you very much and I might add it's always a pleasure to have people associated with the businesses coming to Rolling Meadows to come forward so we can recognize them, number one, and number two meet you so we appreciate you spending the time with us tonight to come forward. Thank you. Moving on we've got David Sheer and also David Dillan. If you'd both like to come to the mic that would be fine. This is for Item G. This is the Steel Supply Company and we welcome you to come to the microphone.

David Sheer and David Dillan: Steel Supply has been in Rolling Meadows for 46 years. We're a 113 year old company. We expanded in 1994 so we consider this our home and we're here to be part of the community. It's our goal to stay here and to do the best we can to be good neighbors.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Thank you.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas closed the floor.

➤ **PENDING**

**A. Ordinance No. 17-04 / Amend City's Pay Plan – Finance Director (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas read the background on the Ordinance.

Mr. Prejna made a motion to adopt the Ordinance it was seconded by Ms. Majikes.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Is there any discussion on the ordinance? Seeing none, the Clerk will please call the roll.

AYES: Cannon, Prejna, Majikes, Banger, D'Astice, Veenbaas

NAYS: Judd

ABSENT: 0

The ordinance was adopted.

**B. Ordinance No. 17-05 / Amend 14-07 Regarding the Assistant to the City Manager's Salary (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas read the background on the Ordinance.

Mr. Prejna made a motion to adopt the Ordinance and it was seconded by Ms. Majikes.

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Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Is there any discussion on the ordinance? Seeing none, the Clerk will please call the roll.

AYES: Prejna, Majikes, Banger, Veenbaas

NAYS: Cannon, Judd, D'Astice

ABSENT: 0

The ordinance was adopted.

**C. Ordinance No. 17-06 / Waive Fees for Rolling Meadows Library (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas read the background on the Ordinance.

Mr. D'Astice made a motion to adopt the Ordinance it was seconded by Mr. Cannon.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Is there any discussion on the ordinance? Seeing none, the Clerk will please call the roll.

AYES: Cannon, Prejna, Majikes, Judd, Banger, D'Astice, Veenbaas

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

The ordinance was adopted.

➤ **CONSENT ORDINANCES:**

**D. Ordinance / Approve a Sign Appeal for Rolling Meadows Shopping Center (Anytime Fitness, GEM Fitness, LLC, Gill Valerio Jr. Petitioner (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

**E. Ordinance / Amend Pawn Shop Ordinance (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: That brings the council to the consent ordinances for this evening. There are two of them that could be grouped together in a Consent Agenda if the council so wishes. They are Items D and E. Would any alderman like either one of those items removed from the Consent Agenda? Seeing none the Chair declares it in order for a motion to consider both ordinances in one motion and vote without debate. Is there such a motion? Mr. D'Astice has made the motion and it has been seconded by Mr. Banger.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas read the background on the resolutions.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Again, the question is shall both of these ordinances be moved forward for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading? The Clerk will please call the roll.

AYES: Cannon, Prejna, Majikes, Judd, Banger, D'Astice, Veenbaas

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

The Clerk will move the ordinances forward for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading.

➤ **NEW BUSINESS:**

**F. MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 2-28-17.**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Is there a motion to approve the February 28, 2017 Warrant as presented by the Finance Department? Mr. D'Astice made the motion and it has been seconded by Mr. Banger.

Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the Clerk will please call the roll.

AYES: Cannon, Prejna, Majikes, Judd, Banger, D'Astice, Veenbaas

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

The warrant was approved

➤ **CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:**

**G. Resolution No. 17-R-18 / Support of 6b Sustainable Emergency Relieve (SER) Tax Incentive for 5105 Newport Drive (Steel Supply Company)**

**H. Resolution No. 17-R-19 / Award Contract for Installation of a Clean Agent Fire Suppression System for the IT Equipment Room at City Hall**

**I. Resolution No. 17-R-20 / Approve Purchase of 15 Police Tasers**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: That brings the council to the Consent Resolutions for this evening. There are three of them that could be grouped together in a Consent Agenda if the council so wishes. They are Items G through I. Would any alderman like any of those items removed from the Consent Agenda? Seeing none the Chair declares it in order for a motion to consider all three resolutions in one motion and vote without debate. Is there such a motion? Mr. D'Astice made the motion and it has been seconded by Mr. Banger.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas read the background on the resolutions.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Again, the question is shall all three of these resolutions be adopted. The Clerk will please call the roll.

AYES: Cannon, Prejna, Majikes, Judd, Banger, D'Astice, Veenbaas

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

The resolutions were adopted.

**OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS:**

**Mayor's Appointments:** None

**Mayor's Proclamations:** None

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**City Clerk's Report:** Reported on key dates for the April 4<sup>th</sup> Consolidated Election.

### City Staff Reports:

#### 1) Community Items of Interest

- 1) The last day to register to vote in the April elections by paper is March 7<sup>th</sup> and by online registration is March 19<sup>th</sup>.
- 2) March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Nic's Organic Fast Food located at 2101 South Plum Grove will officially be open to the public. They serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. They open at 6:00 am in the morning.
- 3) March 4<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Seuss Celebration at the Library. For more information, please visit the Library. They do need readers!
- 4) March 4<sup>th</sup> – Rolling Meadows Golden Years Council will be holding a Mayoral Candidate Forum starting at 10:30 am. at the Community Center – Activity Room (3705 Pheasant Drive).
- 5) March 4<sup>th</sup> – Taste The Town – 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Community Center (3705 Pheasant Drive). Tickets cost \$15.00 and can be purchased at the Community Center or at the door (on the day of the event).
- 6) Upcoming Friends of the Rolling Meadows Library Spring Book Sale. The sale dates will be from March 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> with a pre-sale on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Find bargains galore on books, CDs, DVDs, audio books and more. Please contact the Library at 847-259-6050 for hours or visit [www.rmlib.org](http://www.rmlib.org)
- 7) Rotary St. Patrick's Day Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. This is the 17<sup>th</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Auction prepared by the Rotary Club of Rolling Meadows and will take place from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm at the Rolling Meadows Community Center (3705 Pheasant Drive). For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Rolling Meadows Park District Director Amy Charlesworth at 847-818-3220 or Public Works Director Fred Vogt at 847-963-0500.
- 8) Daylight savings time begins on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Remember to spring forward one hour and it is also a smart idea to change the batteries in your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detectors.
- 9) March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Palatine Area League of Women Voters Candidate Forum (all candidates for Mayor, Ward 4 and Ward 6) at the Rolling Meadows Public Library starting at 6:30 pm
- 10) The Rolling Meadows Fire Department is offering home safety surveys to the City's Senior Citizens. This Senior Safety Program is for City residents aged 65 and older. Trained Fire Department personnel will perform a safety survey, provide guidance to minimize the risk of fire & injury and install free smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to residents who request this home program. This program is funded by a FEMA Fire Prevention and Safety Grant. Seniors, who would like to participate, please contact the Fire Department at 847-397-3352.

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11) Future topics at March Committee meetings:

Economic Development (*Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers*): tentative items for discussion consist of: 1) feedback from the January 2017 new business calls; 2) February 2017 new business list Committee distribution for calls; 3) 5600 Apollo Drive discussion; 4) 1921 Algonquin Road discussion; 5) Top 12 Rolling Meadows Employers; 6) Business Expo 2018 discussion; 7) Business Updates; and 8) other items of interest in the City.

Plan Commission: (*Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers*): the tentative items for public hearings consist of: a preliminary planned development for the redevelopment of property located at 5600 Apollo Drive for School Health Corporation in the M-2 Multi-Purpose District (Petitioner is Chris Nickola from the Trammel Crow Company).

Zoning Board: *due to a lack of items, the March meeting has been cancelled.*

12) It is election season. Just a reminder for individuals putting out signs please be respectful for your property. Please do not put them in the right-of-way. But also respectful for anybody who is running so vandalism will not be accepted. Stealing signs will not be accepted and please just use common courtesy for this overall.

**2) New Businesses – January 2017**

<b>Company Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>RM or PAL</b>	<b>Contact Name</b>	<b>Phone #</b>	<b>Type of Business</b>	<b>Home Occupation</b>
MVP Bargains, LLC.	5420 Newport Drive #62	R.M.	Mitul Patel	847-708-1328	E-Commerce-Home Goods	No
Schelfhout Chiropractic Clinic	1835 Rohlwing Road #E	R.M.	Mark Schelfhout	847-577-8061	Chiropractic Office	No
A&R Co. LTD	2306 Fulle Street	R.M.	Art Rama	847-788-0308	Mail Order Products	Yes
EH Cycles LLC.	2110 Hawk Lane	R.M.	Philip Sandler	630-327-7949	Mobile Bike Repair	Yes
Starbucks	3000 Kirchoff Road	R.M.	Sharon Smith	847-398-8060	Coffee Kiosk	No
Tax Services of America	1460 Golf Road	R.M.	Maria Sattizahn	407-691-0004	Tax Preparation Service	No

### **3) LED Street Light Update**

Mr. Vogt: Just to let the Council know where we are with this project, it's been going on for a couple of years. We had an ad-hoc Street Lighting Committee work on this. We learned last year about a conversion program that ComEd is offering. No cost to the City for the rental street lights to upgrade them with LED. We would also expect to see up to a 70% reduction in the monthly rental fees due to the energy savings. In June of 2016 the Council approved a resolution to enter into an agreement with ComEd to replace the rental street lights. ComEd, since that time, has worked with our Public Works staff to do a complete inventory of all the rental lights. Hard to believe but there were a couple out there that weren't in their inventory before even though the lights were there. We've been working with ComEd to try to get dates as to when this work would be started in terms of the changeovers. We've directed ComEd to, our preference was to start in the western portions of the City and work east. We initially got dates of November 2016, then February 2017, and now unfortunately are told that it could be as late as July of 2017. It seems that we did not know this but there are at least four other communities that are in this program that have requested these improvements about the same time that Rolling Meadows did so we continue to work with the ComEd External Affairs Manager to try to at least get ComEd to start on this program albeit even if it's just in selected smaller areas to at least make some progress on it. Once we get more information from ComEd in terms if they can do that or any updates from them on what their schedule is for starting and completion we will update the Council accordingly.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Thank you on that one. And that's a very vital project for us. Can I ask a quick question? So based on what you just said, just to clarify, so we've been given multiple dates by ComEd on the install for this. Did they give you a reason why other than they're too busy or something?

Mr. Vogt: Busy schedules, the other communities that have also made this request. I'm not sure how they're doing their prioritization, but we continue to communicate with them every couple of weeks just to try to....

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Who are you communicating with? Is that the person that comes to Council?

Mr. Vogt: Our Internal Affairs Manager.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Is that who we're talking to? Cynthia?

Mr. Vogt: Yes

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Okay, is she the one giving you the dates?

Mr. Vogt: She gave us the dates based on information she got from them.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Okay, thank you for that.

Mr. Vogt: And if I could add Mayor, the City street lights that we own, we do have money budgeted this year to start the LED process ourselves. Thankfully we control our own schedule so later this spring or summer we'll start working on some of our corridors where we have our own lights.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Very good. Thank you for that.



#### **4) Sunset Drive Sanitary Sewer Update**

Mr. Vogt: In January at the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting staff made a presentation with regards to a situation and requests from some residents, particularly one at 5250 Sunset that is doing a tear down, demolishing the existing home, building a new home, is within the required distance from a City sanitary sewer to have to connect to it. Although very costly to just this individual homeowner, we've been dialoguing with him trying to come up with some potential solutions where we could get his sanitary sewer extended and have that beneficial for other properties in the future on Sunset Drive, on Brookview Lane. We are at the point where we are planning to come back to City Council in March to update the results of the resident survey that the Committee asked us to do to measure the level of interest that residents on those two streets may have. It's been several years since we last did a survey. There have been a number of homes that have sold and have new owners since that time so that survey was mailed out last week. I apologize, in our report it said a copy was attached. It wasn't. We can put it in the Friday report for anybody that's interested in that, but the deadline for the turn in is next week and we will tally up and report the results of that at that Committee-of-the-Whole meeting. Depending on those results we may need to talk in more detail than we previously did about financing options to be able to have some meaningful dialogue with the residents out there when we do, and if we hold, the public meeting so I just wanted to update Council. The survey is out and we expect this to come back in March.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: To give us a little roadmap on this one, so to clarify, so you'll be coming back to the Council or to a COW meeting?

Mr. Vogt: The Committee-of-the-Whole meeting March 21<sup>st</sup> is what we anticipate.

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Okay, thank you. Anything else on that one?

Mr. Vogt: That's all for now.

#### **5) Taste the Town Update**

Ms. Ciezak: As you've heard, this Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 9 we invite you to attend an indoor taste of Rolling Meadows called Taste the Town. This first time event will feature delicious food from eleven of Rolling Meadows popular restaurants including the Stadium Sports Club; Grande Jakes; Fratello's; Gus' Diner; Papa Saverio's; Comet; Gabutto Burger; Buona Beef; Chop Stick; Chicago Hickory Roasters; and Spice Grill. The evening will also feature live music by Joshua Patterson, a cash bar, and many exciting raffle opportunities. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and can be purchased at the door on the night of the event, at the Park District, or by registering online at the Park District. Proceeds from this event will support the many exciting yearly programs and events bought forth by the Rolling Meadows Park District, the Chamber of Commerce, Community Events Foundation, and the City of Rolling Meadows. We hope to see you there.

#### **MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

Acting Mayor Veenbaas: Are there Matters Not on the Agenda this evening?

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, by unanimous consent the meeting adjourned.

City Council meeting of February 28, 2017 adjourned at 8:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Ginny Cotugno, Deputy City Clerk

February 28, 2017 Council Minutes Approved by Council on March 14, 2017.

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Ginny Cotugno, Deputy City Clerk