

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES – March 12, 2019**

Mayor Prejna called the Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Led by Cub Scout Troop #168

ROLL CALL:

Present: Cannon, Majikes, Gallo, Banger, D’Astice, Williams

Absent: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 present and 1 absent there is a quorum.

Members of the audience are reminded that these proceedings are being videotaped for current and future broadcast over the City’s cable television channel.

Staff Members Present: City Manager Barry Krumstok, Finance Director Melissa Gallagher, Assistant to the City Manager Lori Ciezak, Deputy City Clerk Judy Brose, Fire Chief Terry Valentino, Police Chief John Nowacki, Director Public Works Fred Vogt, Assistant Director Public Works Rob Horne, Business Advocate Martha Corner, City Attorney Jim Macholl

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

Mayor Prejna: The first order of business is to approve the minutes from the February 12, 2019 and February 26, 2019 City Council Meetings. Is there a motion to approve the minutes? Alderman Banger made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Williams. Are there any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes? All those in favor say aye; those opposed say nay. The ayes have it and the minutes are approved.

MOTION TO DEVIATE:

None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Prejna – It has been a busy time again in Meadows. For those of you that were around for Dr. Seuss at the Library, Ms. Majikes, Mr. Banger, Mr. Gallo was there and it was a good time. I think they had about 600 people that attended.

Later on that night we had the Taste the Town where I believe Mr. Banger always seems to get Fratellos hot dogs, not sure why. Ms. Majikes, thank you for the beverages. I got to be MC and do a little bit of Pita Pita. We did have Alderman Gallo, D’Astice, Cannon and Williams in attendance. I thank you and the City thanks you.

I need to move on to something not as much fun. When you’re the Mayor up here and people address the City Council they are to address the City Council through the Mayor and it is not to be a time where people are attacked either Staff or City, so I apologize that that happened at the last meeting. In the past, the rules and ordinances governing how people speak to the Council had been minimized so tonight you will be seeing that we are going to clarify those and go back to the original ordinance reading it in full detail. Again, I apologize for that evening.

WARD REPORTS:

Mayor Prejna – Are there Ward reports? Ms. Majikes.

Alderman Majikes – Thank you. I had a call from a resident and I spoke with Mr. Vogt about it already. So any other residents that live on Fremont that might back up to Euclid where they're doing the bike path can get this information. The resident had a question about future landscaping on that and once the bike path is getting closer to completion May/June we'll have a better idea of what landscaping will be done by the fencing of the properties because they were concerned about losing some of their privacy. I just want anybody that might have a question about it, it is known by Public Works and Mr. Vogt. There are discussions and we'll have more information as it gets further along.

Mayor Prejna – Thank you. Any other Ward reports? Mr. D'Astice.

Alderman D'Astice – Thank you. At our last City Council meeting a resident spoke and told some untruths about me. I have never spoken in a manner that could be considered rude or insulting. I will not try to defend myself against politically motivated statements. There is a statement by a Rolling Meadows Police Officer who witnessed the event, his statement is the truth. Thank you.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES:

Mayor Prejna – This brings us to the part of the meeting where residents sign in and as I stated earlier, it will be a little longer clarification from the last time that we've done it.

In order to secure the rights of the citizens of the City to a fair and just representation before their elected officials, and to guarantee to the elected officials an order and dignified form in which to conduct the City's business, no person shall be allowed to engage in any activity that will disturb or disrupt the orderly proceedings of the City Council. In order to attain this objective the following rules of conduct are hereby established:

1. Any person who seeks to address the City Council at this time for public comments, shall be permitted to speak only upon recognition of the Presiding Officer and such person shall adhere to the following provisions:
 - a. Each person addressing the City Council shall state their name and address for the record.
 - b. Each person shall be granted no more than 5 minutes of the allotted 20 minutes in order to address the City Council.
 - c. Questions and/or commentary shall be limited to City business. Comments supporting or opposing a nominated person's candidacy for elective office of the City shall be out of order.
 - d. Commentary shall be directed to the Presiding Officer unless the Presiding Officer permits the individual to address the Council Members or other City officers present.

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- e. Discussion shall take place in a professional manner which displays mutual respect.
- f. Profanity shall not be used in any form or manner.

Mayor Prejna - The first signatory is Bob Stapleton.

Bob Stapleton – President of National Wireless Ventures, 505 N. Lake Shore #2109, Chicago – I'm here to make myself available to the City. I've had a long-standing relationship with the City one way or the other. Prior to my present life I was the governmental affairs representative for 3M. I was involved in the construction of the first billboard in Rolling Meadows along Route 53. What I'm here tonight for is to let you know what I do, I work with both municipalities and the wireless carriers in our industry. My clients have expressed a great deal of interest in the two new fire stations. We would like to build a tower that would be available for the wireless carriers and for the City to use and in turn we would pay revenue to the City for that. On our initial projections, this would generate approximately \$2.6 million to the City over the term of the agreement. It may generate additional dollars more but would allow for the carriers to erect their equipment here in the City and it would allow for the placement of first net equipment. First net is a program that was put together by the federal government awarded to AT&T for the purpose of inter-operational communications between the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works and the federal agencies so they can all speak on one frequency. It's a major program going on and it all comes from 9/11. I do this all over the state and all over the Midwest, we have worked with the City of Gurnee in the erection of towers on their property and their fire station. We worked with the Village of Westchester. We worked with several fire protection districts in either acquiring or placing assets on their property. It ends up being no cost to the community. I brought an income projection that the City would receive for the two fire stations.

Mayor Prejna – Thank you and the City of Rolling Meadows appreciates you coming tonight. The next signatory is Steve Rybarczyk.

Steve Rybarczyk, 3000 Owl Drive, Rolling Meadows – I've come here tonight to talk to you about some accusations that were made against Alderman D'Astice February 26, 2019 about the night in question of September 11, 2018. I happened to be at that Council meeting and I also happened to be in the parking lot after that Council meeting. I was talking to a friend, Mr. D'Astice came out and we said hello and I continued talking to my friend. As Mr. D'Astice was walking to his car a group of people started questioning him and he clearly did not want to speak to them, he said I have nothing to say to you (that was all I heard him say), he got into his car and took off. They kept after him all the way up to his car even though he said he had nothing to say to them. In my opinion, the group was the aggressor not Mr. D'Astice.

There was also a police officer in the parking lot who I managed to obtain a statement from him that I would like to read into the record.

This is addressed to the Chief on February 27th.

Sir,

On the evening of September 11th 2018, I was asked to provide security in the parking lot of City Hall after a boisterous a city council meeting. I was positioned along the south side of the building just east of the front door, facing westbound. My driver's side window was in the down position.

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While seated in my patrol vehicle, I observed a crowd of about four to eight people gathered in the center of the parking lot, standing around after the meeting.

I noted that as Alderman D'Astice exited City Hall and walked towards his vehicle, this group became rather vocal in the direction of Alderman D'Astice. The group became so loud that Alderman D'Astice raised his brief case in an attempt to deflect their attention. As Alderman D'Astice entered his vehicle, I exited my patrol vehicle to ensure the safety all persons in the parking lot. After Alderman D'Astice entered his vehicle and drove eastbound through the lot, past where I was standing, he rolled down his driver's side window. I asked if he was ok, or if he needed assistance to which he said no. He then left the area without incident. Once Alderman D'Astice left the parking lot, the group then also disbursed without incident.

Respectfully Submitted,

Officer S. Whetstone #209

Thank you.

Mayor Prejna – Thank you Mr. Rybarczyk.

Mayor Prejna closed the floor.

Mayor Prejna - The Council moves on to its first order of business, Consent Ordinance, 2nd Reading.

➤ **PENDING:**

A) Ordinance No. 19 – 21 – Approve Amendment to the Meijer Planned Development for Additional Tesla Supercharging Stations – 1301 Meijer Drive (2nd Reading)

Mayor Prejna – This Ordinance, if adopted, would allow an amendment to the existing Meijer Planned Development to allow additional Tesla Supercharging Stations in the parking lot.

The petitioner is requesting an additional ten supercharging stations at this time, with the ability to have staff administratively approve additional expansion in the future should it be requested by Tesla and Meijer.

Mayor Prejna - Is there a motion to adopt this Ordinance? Alderman Majikes has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman D'Astice. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: D'Astice, Williams, Cannon, Majikes, Gallo, Banger

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 in favor and 0 opposed this Ordinance is approved.

B) Ordinance No. 19 – 22 – Approve a Program to Charge Mitigation Rates for the Deployment of Emergency and Non-Emergency Services by the Rolling Meadows Fire Department for Services Provided/Rendered (2nd Reading)

Mayor Prejna – This Ordinance, if adopted, would allow the billing for specifically defined services (non-emergent and emergent) at incidents requiring typical and atypical services and equipment where the costs have typically been absorbed in the general operating budget of the Department. Specific charges will be consistent with the published Revised Mitigation Rate Chart.

Mayor Prejna - Is there a motion to adopt this Ordinance? Alderman Majikes has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman D’Astice. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Williams, Cannon, Majikes, Gallo, Banger, D’Astice
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 in favor and 0 opposed this Ordinance is approved.

➤ **CONSENT ORDINANCES (1st Reading):**

Mayor Prejna - The next item on the agenda is the Consent Ordinances in for 1st Reading. It consists of two (2) items C thru D. Does any Alderman wish to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for Ordinances? Seeing none, the Chair declares it in order for one motion to consider the two (2) Ordinances in one motion without debate.

Is there such a motion? Alderman Banger has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Cannon. The question is shall the two (2) Ordinances be moved forward for 2nd Reading?

C) Ordinance No. 19-00 – Authorize Reserving the City’s 2019 Home Rule Private Activity Bond Volume Cap (1st Reading)

This Ordinance, if adopted, would reserve the City’s 2019 private activity volume cap so that should there be a future project the volume cap can be sold or transferred for a fee.

D) Ordinance No. 19-00 – Amend 106-18(a) of the City Code – Parking Prohibited in Specific Places- Meadowbrook Drive (1st Reading)

This Ordinance, if adopted, would establish additional parking restrictions in certain locations on certain public streets in the City; specifically, on the south side of Lois Drive and on the west side of Meadowbrook Drive. These streets already have “No Parking” signage posted on the north side and east side of the streets, respectively, per Ordinance 18-58. The inclusion of these street locations within the City Code, Traffic Section 106-18(a) will establish enforcement of traffic regulations, and consistent posting of signs.

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The question is shall the two (2) Ordinances be moved forward for 2nd Reading? Will the Clerk please call the roll.

AYES: Cannon, Majikes, Gallo, Banger, D'Astice, Williams

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 in favor and 0 opposed these Ordinances will be moved forward for the 2nd Reading.

➤ **NEW BUSINESS:**

E) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 3/12/2019

Mayor Prejna: The next item of business is a motion to approve the Warrant from March 12, 2019 as presented by the Finance Department. Is there a motion to approve the warrant? Alderman Williams made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Banger. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Majikes, Gallo, Banger, D'Astice, Williams, Cannon

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 in favor and 0 opposed this Warrant is approved.

➤ **CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:**

Mayor Prejna - The next items on the agenda are the Consent Resolutions. It consists of ten (10) items, Items F thru O. Does any Alderman wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda for Resolutions?

Alderman Cannon – I would like to pull item O.

The Chair declares it in order for one motion to consider the remaining nine (9) Resolutions in one motion without debate. Is there such a motion? Alderman Banger has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Majikes. The question is, shall the nine (9) Resolutions be adopted?

F) Resolution No. 19-R-26 – Adopt 2019 Zoning Map

This Resolution, if adopted, would approve the 2019 Zoning Map. The map must be updated once each year.

Since the adoption of the 2018 Zoning Map, no map changes have been made. Therefore the map itself is only being changed to reflect the date, and the updated list of elected officials.

G) Resolution No. 19-R-27 – Award Contract for 2019 Street Resurfacing Program

This Resolution, if adopted, would award a contract for the proposed 2019 Street Program. Approved budget for FY2019 is \$1,100,000 (construction approximately \$1,000,000, engineering services approximately \$100,000).

H) Resolution No. 19-R-28 – Award a Contract for 2019 Street Resurfacing Program – Construction Engineering Services

This Resolution, if adopted, would award a contract for civil engineering services for the necessary construction observation for the 2019 Street Resurfacing Program.

The FY2019 budget provides for \$100,000 for civil engineering services for the 2019 Street Resurfacing Program, at approximately 10% of the total amount budgeted for local street resurfacing. These funds are to be utilized for construction observation of the current year, and for design engineering of the following year's program (typically September).

I) Resolution No. 19-R-29 – Authorize a Contract for the Purchase of three (3) Police Pursuit Vehicles

This Resolution, if adopted, would authorize the purchase of three (3) replacement vehicles which will be utilized for Police Department patrol. These vehicles have been reviewed and supported for replacement by the Vehicle Replacement Committee. The vehicles serve the Police Department as front line patrol vehicles.

J) Resolution No. 19-R-30 – Authorize a Contract for the Purchase of one (1) Fire Department Administrative Vehicle

This Resolution, if adopted, authorize the purchase of one (1) replacement vehicle which will be utilized for Fire Department administration. This vehicle has been reviewed and supported for replacement by the Vehicle Replacement Committee. The vehicle serves the Fire Department as an administration vehicle for training.

K) Resolution No. 19-R-31 – Authorize the Purchase and Installation of Community Sign at 2550 Quentin Road

This Resolution, if adopted, would authorize the purchase and installation of a two (2) sided Electronic Message Center (EMC) sign to be installed on the Joint Action Water Agency (JAWA) site located at 2550 Quentin Road.

L) Resolution No. 19-R-32 – Award Contract for the Purchase of 4th of July Fireworks

This Resolution, if adopted, would authorize the execution of a contract with Mad Bomber Fireworks Productions for providing the 2019 City of Rolling Meadows' 4th of July fireworks display.

M) Resolution No. 19-R-33 – Authorize the Execution of the Northwest Community Healthcare Provider Paramedic Field Training Services Agreement

This Resolution, if adopted, would authorize a NCH student to accompany the City's paramedics in ambulances.

The City's Fire Department provides oversight and review to NCH Paramedic student during the Field Training portion of the IDPH approved curriculum. The student must have 308 hours of field time that is executed under the direct supervision of an approved Paramedic Preceptor.

N) Resolution No. 19-R-34 – Authorize the Ordering of Snow/Ice Control Salt for 2019-2020 Winter Season

This Resolution, if adopted, would authorize the ordering of snow/ice control salt for the winter season of 2019-2020. The City has for the past nineteen (19) years purchased its street salt in conjunction with the State of Illinois Joint Purchase Program. This has been an acceptable program in the delivery of salt to the City in its administration and guarantee of supply.

Again, the question is shall the remaining nine (9) Resolutions be adopted? Will the Clerk please call the roll.

AYES: Majikes, Gallo, Banger, D'Astice, Williams, Cannon
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 in favor and 0 opposed the remaining nine (9) Resolutions are adopted.

Resolution O was pulled by Alderman Cannon

O) Resolution No. 19-R-35 – Award a Contract for Mechanical System Replacement (HVAC) on the Public Works Rooftop

This Resolution, if adopted, would award a contract with Rice Mechanical, Palatine, Illinois, to replace two (2) rooftop HVAC units that failed at the Public Works Facility located on Berdnick Street. These heaters serve the Water Operations and Facilities Offices, the lunchroom and the IT room.

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Mayor Prejna – Is there a motion to adopt this Resolution? Alderman Banger has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Majikes.

Alderman Cannon – Thank you, Mr. Mayor. I just had a couple quick questions. I'm fine with getting these replaced. In light of the fact that these units are 20+ years old and we have 20 units there, is it possible that we can do this in a more efficient manner? We have 20 different compressors in one location, I don't think that whole facility is air conditioned, is it?

Fred Vogt, Director Public Works - No, it is not.

Alderman Cannon - I'm not being critical but why are there so many different units there? Can't we consolidate some of them? To get a little bit more efficient? They are 20+ years old and when we did our system here I think we consolidated quite a bit.

Fred Vogt, Director Public Works - We can certainly look at that Alderman Cannon, we likely will look at that as we move forward into 2019 and evaluate the other compressors and the various HVAC equipment in the building. It is very scattered because some of the areas are air conditioned and some are not, that's why we have so many units. When the building was designed, whether it was a good or bad design, that's the way it was and if there's a way to consolidate equipment we will look at that later this year when we look for other units that need to be replaced. We expect there will be several but at this point it's just these two and we recommend proceeding with just these two. You raise a good point and we will do everything we can to evaluate that where there are efficiencies we'll come back with that.

Alderman Cannon – Great, thanks for the consideration. I really appreciate it.

Mayor Prejna – Any further questions? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Gallo, Banger, D'Astice, Williams, Cannon, Majikes

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 6 in favor and 0 opposed this Resolution is adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS:

Mayor's Appointments: None

Mayor's Proclamations: None

City Clerk's Report: None

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City Staff Reports:

Barry Krumstok, City Manager went over the following:

1) Community Items of Interest:

- 1) Thank you to everyone who read at this year's Annual Dr. Seuss Celebration at the Library conducted on Saturday, March 2nd.
- 2) Thank you to everyone who volunteered and attended the March 2nd Taste of the Town event. We hope to see you next year!
- 3) Early voting for the primary election begins Monday, March 18th. Please check with Cook County for voting locations.
- 4) The Community Events Foundation will be conducting a Fundraiser at Rep's Place, located at 3200 Kirchoff Road, on Wednesday, March 13th from 11:00 am to midnight. Please present a flyer (found at City Hall).
- 5) Thursday, March 21st from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at the Rolling Meadows Library there will be a meet and greet & seed swap for all gardeners and those want to know more about community gardens.
- 6) Just a friendly reminder, yard waste collection starts on Monday, April 1st (no fooling). In addition, please remember that this also marks the end of early refuse set out, which is allowed by ordinance from November 1st to March 31st. Beginning Monday, April 1st, residents should place refuse and recyclables at the curb after 6:00 pm the night before scheduled pick-up. For more information, please contact Public Works at 847-963-0500 or visit www.cityrm.org/PublicWorks
- 7) The following is a reminder for all candidates and supporters about placing signs in the parkway. Per Rolling Meadows Code Section 122-22 – Signs: *Political campaign signs*. Signs or posters announcing the candidates seeking public, political office and/or political issues, and data pertinent thereto up to an area of 12 square feet. Signs shall be displayed for no more than 60 days. Signs shall be removed within 48 hours after an election. Political signs shall not be permitted on public property.

Barry Krumstok, City Manager went over the following:

2) March 19, 2019 Committee-of-the-Whole Agenda

- 1) National Government Finance Award for 2017 Audit
- 2) Taylor Morrison
- 3) Term Limits for Aldermen (Alderman Banger)
- 4) Dwelling Unit License Program/Ad Hoc Committee
- 5) City Bridge Inspection Procedures

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Alderman Banger – I also have a response for the February 26, 2019 meeting mostly in regard to Ms. Budmats' comments. First off, let me say I welcome criticism of Council matters but not personal attacks. When she stated that I don't care about the consequences of my votes I think that was uncalled for. Her indirect attack on members of this Council not voting with integrity and conscious and later her comment regarding members of this Council voting for selfish political personal gain, I thought that was also inappropriate. Finally, another indirect attack on Council members who she claims have their votes manipulated by the City Manager or in my case play along with him, I thought that was out of line.

Now I'm speaking for myself. I just wanted to be clear, I missed one meeting in eight years of my City Council term. I spend hours preparing for these Council meetings, I read hundreds of pages of reports and agenda items each week. I ask questions just to be prepared so I'm ready to make what I consider to be the right decision on each vote in front of me. I've spent hours at these Council meetings, I've spent hours in closed sessions over these past eight years. To say shame on me and question my integrity and independence I find that to be highly offensive which is fine. I can hold my head up high and be proud of the service I've rendered to the residents over these past eight years. I will say, I worry that Ms. Budmats personal attacks have the potential to discourage potential candidates from running for office for fear of similar attacks. In addition, it may or may not be a coincidence that these attacks came a month before the election so I can sympathize with my colleagues if they don't feel compelled to respond to these attacks. In the future though and Mr. Mayor thank you for commenting on this, I would ask that the Chair keep members of the audience from veering off into these personal attacks on members of the Council. Ms. Budmats mentioned news of my pending move which is a bit premature even though I've had several people wish me the best of luck on my farm, I'm not going anywhere anytime soon. My second term ends in two months. As I stated in 2012 and we'll be discussing next week, I'm a big believer in term limits and I think two terms is sufficient for us. I'm looking forward to shifting gears in a few months making the Community Garden more successful, I'll be mingling around at the City Markets and I'll be trying to add more bees to backyards. Thank you.

Mayor Prejna – Well said Mr. Banger. I do agree with you and once again keeping it on track is the responsibility of the Chair. Again, I support term limits because I brought it up when I first came down but I never got as far as you did before I was shot down. Are there any other matters not on the Agenda?

Alderman Cannon – Thank you, Mr. Mayor. As you may recall I was only at the first meeting in February, unfortunately I missed the second and third meetings. The first meeting was on February 12th and there was an incident that happened that night that I would like to address later on. I did want to briefly talk about the last meeting of the month on February 26th. Mr. Mayor, I appreciate you finally standing up tonight and admitting that you probably didn't handle in the same manner that you probably would have liked to have. I appreciate you realizing that in the future people can't attack us personally. Like Mr. Banger just said I think a lot of people underestimate what we do spend on our personal time to do this job and for people to question the time and effort we put in it is very insulting at times. With that said, I've been on the Council for almost 8 years, for the first six years that I was on the Council we always limited public comments to 20 minutes. I sat in my hotel room and watched the tape of the 26th meeting, the first part of that with all the comments was 37 minutes, besides 37 minutes of hate. I would ask you to readjust your timing, in the past when Mr. Rooney was sitting in that chair he always told people that if there were more than four people they all had to reduce the amount of time that they could spend speaking. I would ask you to consider that in the future. I guess the other thing is that none of those people that were attacked were allowed to answer or bring perspective to the verbal attacks that night. I thought it was a horrible display to say the least.

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Secondly, I like to switch to the February 12, 2019 meeting. Specifically the closed session. I'm going to ask for a vote tonight on closure for Mr. Gallo. Almost all the Aldermen and some of the Staff witnessed at least partially a hostile profanity laced verbal assault on one of our fellow Alderman by Alderman Gallo. Mr. Mayor you saw all of it or most of it and you have no comment on it that is kind of shocking to me. A person in the private sector would have immediately been suspended or more likely fired for actions like this. It would not be ignored or brushed aside. The verbal assault was unlike anything I've ever witnessed in my eight years here, nothing even comes close. It is with that background Mr. Mayor that under the statute in our Code of Ordinances Section 2-53, *Censure of Aldermen – Any Alderman acting or appearing in a lewd or disgraceful matter or who uses opprobrious, obscene or insulting language to or about any member of the Council or who does not obey the order of the chair shall be, on motion, censured by a majority vote of the members present or expelled by a two-thirds vote of all members then holding office.* I'm not asking for this person to be expelled even though it's a second offense for him but I would like him to be censured. With this background I wish to ask the Council vote tonight on a motion to censure the 4th Ward Alderman. I might add Mr. Mayor that since you witness all of this, most all of it, you should have been the one to actually bring this forward, it should not have been me. I only bring this forward to try to maintain some level of integrity and decorum for the whole Council. Finally, I know some people see this and accuse this of being a political statement, it has nothing to do with politics. This is personal conduct that should not be tolerated by anybody. Again, in the private sector a person would probably be separated from his job from all the experiences I've had for conduct like this. Thank you.

Alderman Cannon has made a motion to censure Alderman Gallo and it has been seconded by Alderman Banger.

Mayor Prejna – I will open the discussion, Mr. Cannon. Yes, I did witness it and actions were taken and a procedure was started the next day. The procedures were being followed and I was advised by Staff and legal counsel to let the procedures go forward before any comments were made. I just want you to know that it was not ignored and it was not brushed under the rug. Anyone who sits in this chair, as Mayor Rooney used to say, it's always good to signal your intentions it would've been nice for you to give me a phone call or heads up out of courtesy tonight instead of springing this on us tonight without any word. Obviously you've thought this out very thoroughly and thought this out of great deal however common courtesy would've been to acknowledge to the Chair or Staff or someone else on the Council.

Alderman Cannon - In response to that, you could have also said in the beginning of the meeting tonight that you were still looking into it. You didn't say a word about this that I'm aware of.

Mayor Prejna – You're correct, I did not. Do we have a discussion?

Alderman D'Astice - Can someone explain exactly what this is and what this means?

Mayor Prejna – Since this is the first time that I've heard it come forward it will take us a few minutes to sort it out. Again, if we had some information ahead of time it would have helped. I'll go to my parliamentarian.

Jim Macholl, City Attorney - We have a motion and we have a second if there's no further discussion, call the roll.

Mayor Prejna – Any other discussion?

Alderman D'Astice - What does this mean?

Mayor Prejna – You’re asking for censure of Mr. Gallo tonight, correct?

Alderman Cannon – Yes, that’s correct. It's my understanding if you get two of them you’re expelled from the Council. It’s my understanding, I’m not sure if it’s right.

Jim Macholl, City Attorney - I don’t believe that’s correct. It means that you’re censured and that’s the end of it.

Mayor Prejna – It’s a discipline. Further discussion? Will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Banger, D’Astice, Williams, Cannon, Majikes

NAYS: Gallo

ABSENT: Budmats

Mayor Prejna - With 5 in favor and 1 opposed the Motion to censure Mr. Gallo is approved.

CLOSED SESSION/ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Prejna - Do I have a motion to adjourn? Alderman Banger made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Majikes. All in favor say aye; opposed? We’re done.

There being no further business, by unanimous consent the City Council meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk