

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 14, 2023**

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale called the Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Physically Present: McHale, O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica

Remotely Present: Budmats

Absent: Mayor Gallo

With 7 present and 0 absent. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale declared that a quorum was physically present.

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale stated that Alderperson Budmats was prevented from attending the meeting in person due to a personal illness and has requested to attend the meeting remotely pursuant to Section 2-114 of the City Code. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked for a motion to permit Alderperson Budmats to attend this meeting remotely. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. Alderperson Budmats was permitted to attend this meeting remotely.

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanoica stated that Alderperson Budmats will be able to participate in the meeting in the same capacity as those members physically present and will be called and counted for any votes taken during the meeting.

Members of the audience were reminded that the proceedings were being recorded for current and future broadcast.

Staff Members Present: City Manager Rob Sabo, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Glen Cole, Deputy City Clerk Judy Brose, Finance Director Molly Talkington, Police Chief John Nowacki, Fire Chief Pete Sutter, Deputy Fire Chief Scott Mohr, Director Public Works Aaron Grosskopf, Assistant Director Public Works JoEllen Charlton, Business Development Manager Martha Corner, IT System Administrator Kelly Vlieger and Attorney Melissa Wolf

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 21, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Reyez.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale, Budmats
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed, the minutes were approved.

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 28, 2023 City Council Meeting. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Bisesi.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale, Budmats, O'Brien
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed, the minutes were approved.

MOTION TO DEVIATE: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

WARD REPORTS:

Alderperson Sanoica stated that the Environmental Committee received over 20 letters from Willow Bend Elementary School requesting the Committee to review regulations regarding plastic. The Committee appreciates the civic engagement of the school and will be engaging in a research session on April 10, 2023 and 6:00 pm at City Hall in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for anyone who would like to attend.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale read the rules of procedures for addressing the City Council.

Leigh Ferstein a resident of Rolling Meadows stated her and other residents' concerns regarding the possible Schaumburg development on the Loeber Farm property near Plum Grove and Algonquin, specifically traffic, property values, FEMA, water shed/erosion and emergencies. She feels more information is needed to be shared with the community.

Steve Holish a resident of Rolling Meadows also stated his concerns regarding the Loeber Farm property development and how Schaumburg will handle this potential development. He understands that no official proposal has been submitted to Schaumburg but his main concern is the use of Brockway for emergency vehicles because the width of the road wouldn't accommodate the use and the residents are not interested in widening that road.

PENDING

A) Ordinance No. 23-07 – Approve the Elimination of Cash Bonds in Connection with Building Permits and Zoning Applications (2nd Reading)

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale read the title into the record and asked for a motion to adopt this Ordinance. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale, Budmats, O'Brien, Vinezeano
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

CONSENT ORDINANCES

The Consent Ordinances consisted of two (2) items, items B and C. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked if any Alderperson wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for Ordinances. No items were removed.

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale declared it in order for one motion to consider the two (2) Ordinances in one motion without debate and asked for a motion to consider the Ordinances for 1st Reading. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Vinezeano. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale read the titles into record.

B) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Authorize Reserving the City's 2023 Home Rule Private Activity Bond Volume Cap (1st Reading)

C) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Approve Deferring the Imposition of the Municipal Push Tax for the City of Rolling Meadows until October 31, 2023 (1st Reading)

AYES: Reyez, Sanoica, McHale, Budmats, O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. The Ordinances moved forward for 2nd reading.

NEW BUSINESS

D) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 3/14/2023

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked for a motion to approve the Warrant. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien.

AYES: Sanoica, McHale, Budmats, O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. The Warrant was approved.

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

The Consent Resolutions consisted of five (5) items, items E thru I. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked if any Alderperson wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda for Resolutions.

Alderperson Bisesi pulled item E.

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale declared it in order for one motion to consider the remaining four (4) Resolutions in one motion without debate. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Vinezeano. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale read the titles into the record.

Item E was pulled by Alderperson Bisesi (see below).

- F) Resolution No. 23-R-34 – Approve the Installation of Eighty-Seven (87) Pedestrian Walkway Light Fixture Lamps with Patrick Electrical Service in an Amount of \$12,500**
- G) Resolution No. 23-R-35 – Award a Three (3) Year Contract for Janitorial Services in FY2023 thru FY2025 with Two (2) Annual Renewal Options Crystal Maintenance Services Plus Corporation for \$56,100 Per Year**
- H) Resolution No. 23-R-36 – Authorize the Purchase of a 2023 Rayco Stump Grinder and Trailer from Alexander Equipment in a Not to Exceed the Amount of \$67,000**
- I) Resolution No. 23-R-37 – Authorize an Agreement with Giant Maintenance and Restoration Inc. to Perform Hydrant Painting in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$24,970**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: McHale, Budmats, O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. The Resolutions were adopted.

Item E was pulled by Alderperson Bisesi.

E) Resolution No. 23-R-33 – Approve a Contract for the Purchase of 4th of July Fireworks Display to Mad Bomber

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale read the title into record and asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Vinezeano.

Alderperson Bisesi stated that in the past we would get a discount by signing a multi-year contract and this isn't a multi-year contract. City Manager Sabo stated that in conversations with the vendor, the volatility of supply prices prohibits a multi-year discount. At this time, they agreed to the \$30,000 amount that's been proposed and would revisit the pricing in future years.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Budmats, O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. The Resolution was adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS

Mayor's Appointments:

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale stated that the Mayor's Appointments consists of two reappointments and asked if any Alderperson wished to remove an appointee from the appointment list for discussion. No appointees were removed.

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale declared it in order for one motion to consider the reappointments in one motion without debate. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Reyez. Mayor Pro-Tem McHale read the following appointments into the record:

Fire Pension Board

- Molly Talkington (Reappointment)

Police Pension Board

- Mark Nannini (Reappointment)

ROLL CALL:

AYES: O'Brien, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale, Budmats
NAYS: 0
ABSENT:

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. The reappointments were approved.

Mayor's Proclamations: None

City Clerk's Report: None

City Staff Reports:

1) Community Items of Interest

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the following:

- 1) The Rolling Meadows Community Development Department is seeking qualified applicants to serve as the Department's next Clerk/Typist. The City also has seasonal positions for clerical, maintenance and an engineering intern in the Public Works Department. Applicants must be 18 or older and can apply by visiting www.cityrm.org.
- 2) For the April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election, traditional Early Voting will take place March 20th – April 3rd. Voters who participate in Early Voting may vote in person at the Rolling Meadows Courthouse, room 238 at 2121 Euclid Ave. For more information or additional locations, visit <https://www.cookcountyclerkil.gov/elections>.
- 3) The Rolling Meadows Police Department will be participating in the St. Patrick's Day STEP Campaign from March 10 – 19. Officers will be actively enforcing DUI violations, speeding, unlawful use of cell phone while operating a motor vehicle, seatbelt enforcement and child safety seat violations. If alcohol will be part of your St. Patrick's Day festivities, don't get behind the wheel impaired, rather, plan ahead to ensure you have a safe ride home.
- 4) To raise funds for the IL Special Olympics this past Sunday, the Rolling Meadows Police Department did a 'polar plunge' into the icy waters at Main Beach in Crystal Lake. The team raised over \$3,000 for these amazing athletes. A special thank you to all participants and especially to Officer Pak for his outstanding dedication to this and other Special Olympic fundraising events.
- 5) City Manager Sabo noted that the City is aware of the possible development of the Loeber Farm property and has been in touch with the Village of Schaumburg. The entire property is within Schaumburg's jurisdiction and is subject to approval of Schaumburg's planning/zoning, Board of Trustee's and any other entity that may be reviewing the application. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the plan review process will likely go through public processes with the Village of Schaumburg which are open to the public and at that time members of the public are welcome and able to make comments if it's a public hearing. The City will remain in communication with Schaumburg if the application is received by the Village and will seek review and opportunities to plan on any sort of development proposal on the Loeber Farm property. To our knowledge, an application has not been received by the Village of Schaumburg.

2) **February 2023 New Business Report**

Business Development Manager Martha Corner reviewed the following:

1. SA Consumer Products – Distributor of Security Products
2. Power Brother LLC – Wheel Repair
3. Kong Dog – Korean Corn Dog Restaurant
4. Meadows Dog House – Dog Day Care & Grooming
5. Santo’s Workshop – E-Commerce – Online Gifts & Merchandise
6. GK Distribution Inc. – Distributor of Office Supplies
7. Bella & Brothers Logistics – Delivery Service
8. Driven Car Wash, LLC (formerly Fuller’s Car Wash) New Ownership – Car Wash

3) **January 2023 Financial Report**

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale announced that the financial report is in the agenda packet and if Council has any questions they should contact the Finance Director, Molly Talkington.

4) **March 21, 2023 Committee of the Whole Draft Agenda**

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the following:

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on the March 21, 2023 City Council draft agenda. The final agenda will be posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act prior to the meeting date.

5) **March 28, 2023 City Council Draft Agenda**

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the following:

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on the March 28, 2023 City Council draft agenda. The final agenda will be posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act prior to the meeting date.

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Aldersperson Vinezeano stated that she brought this up a couple meetings ago regarding the Mobil Gas Station New Wilke and Central Road in Arlington Heights. There was some vandalism that was taken care of but now the sign is falling down. If the City can work with Arlington Heights again to keep this property within code would be appreciated. City Manager Sabo confirmed that Staff is working with Arlington Heights and will continue to do so.

Aldersperson Bisesi stated that he received numerous complaints of speeding on Central Road, Cedar Street, Oak Lane and Birch Lane particularly when school lets out or later at night. Based on the reports he’s received it’s not just being slightly over the limit but excessively over. He requested that the Police Department or Traffic Committee put up speed monitors more often, as well as additional patrols after school hours.

Aldersperson McHale received many inquiries and concerns regarding the Loeber Farm property. She is hoping that Staff can get a communications list of residents who are interested in keeping up with the status of this property so they don't have to search for the information of when it proceeds with the Village of Schaumburg. City Manager Sabo stated that anyone who is interested in signing up for updates to send an email to admin@cityrm.org.

CLOSED SESSION:

- 1) **Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act** - To consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee of the public body.
- 2) **Land Sales – 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act** – The Setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.

Mayor Pro-Tem McHale asked for a motion to go into closed session under section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act regarding Personnel and under section 2(c)(6) of the Open Meetings Act regarding Land Sales. Aldersperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Aldersperson O'Brien.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Vinezeano, Bisesi, Reyez, Sanoica, McHale, Budmats, O'Brien
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 7 in favor and 0 opposed. City Council entered into Closed Session.

The audience and press were advised that they do not anticipate taking any action upon returning to open session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, by unanimous consent the City Council meeting was adjourned 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk

March 14, 2023 City Council Minutes Approved by Council on March 28, 2023.

Judy Brose

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