

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 22, 2022**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Present: McHale, Budmats, O'Brien, Bisesi, Sanoica

Absent: Vinezeano, Reyez

With 5 present and 2 absent. A quorum was present.

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

Staff Members Present: City Manager Rob Sabo, Deputy City Clerk Judy Brose, Police Chief John Nowacki, Fire Chief Jeff Moxley, Deputy Fire Chief Pete Sutter, Director Public Works Rob Horne, Assistant Director Public Works JoEllen Charlton, Chief Information Officer Waseem Khan, Business Advocate Martha Corner and City Attorney Melissa Wolf

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 8, 2022 City Council Meeting. Alderman McHale made the motion and was seconded by Alderman O'Brien. A voice vote approved the Minutes as presented.

MOTION TO DEVIATE:

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to deviate to swear in three new firefighter/paramedics. Alderman O'Brien made the motion and was seconded by Alderman Sanoica. A voice vote approved the motion to deviate.

Fire Chief Jeff Moxley recognized the members who have been promoted and hired over the last two years:

- FF/PM Matt Bohnen
- FF/PM Jerome Brault
- Deputy Chief Jeff Moxley promoted to Fire Chief
- FF/PM John Palmisano promoted to Lieutenant
- Lieutenant Jim Marvin promoted to Battalion Chief
- Lieutenant Dan Kusek promoted to Battalion Chief
- FF/PM Rob Rabelhofer promoted to Lieutenant
- Battalion Chief Peter Sutter promoted to Deputy Fire Chief
- Lieutenant Benjamin Dwyer promoted to Battalion Chief
- FF/PM Ryan Lettieri promoted to Lieutenant

Mayor Gallo administered the Oath of Office to the following New Firefighter/Paramedics:

- Dusty Psaila
- Javier Salgado
- Nicholas Mann

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to close the floor. Alderman Budmats made the motion and was seconded by Alderman McHale. A voice vote approved the motion to close the floor.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

WARD REPORTS:

Alderman McHale stated that the Community Events Foundation (CEF) is planning a Sip and Painting fundraiser at Rep's Place on Sunday, April 24th, details will be forthcoming. CEF is still looking for participants for this year's 4th of July parade, for details contact Lori Ciezak ciezakl@cityrm.org or interested parties can fill out the application on the City's website. Alderman McHale encouraged anyone who wishes to volunteer at any City event or anyone who just wants to see what's going on in Rolling Meadows to attend the next meeting on April 19, 2022.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES:

There were no signatures on the sign-in sheet.

PENDING:

A) Ordinance No. 22-12 – Authorize Reserving the City's 2022 Home Rule Private Activity Bond Volume Cap (2nd Reading)

Mayor Gallo read the title into record and asked for a motion to adopt this Ordinance. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman Bisesi.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance is adopted.

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

The Consent Ordinances in for first reading consisted of two (2) items, items B and C. Mayor Gallo asked if any Alderman wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for Ordinances.

Alderman Budmats pulled item C.

B) Ordinance No. 22-00– Amend Various Sections of Chapter 122 of the Code Of Ordinances of the City Of Rolling Meadows, Illinois, to Update and Clarify Certain Provisions of the Zoning Code (1st Reading)

Mayor Gallo read the title into record and asked for a motion to consider this Ordinance for 1st reading. Alderman O’Brien made the motion and was seconded by Alderman McHale.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance moved forward for 2nd reading.

Item C was pulled by Alderman Budmats.

C) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Grant Approval of a Text Amendment to Section 122-85(i)(2) of the City of Rolling Meadows Zoning Code of Ordinances to Increase the Number of Available Adult-Use Cannabis Business Licenses from One (1) To Two (2), A Special Use for an Adult Use Cannabis Craft Grow Business Establishment, a Variance to Section 122-163 of the City of Rolling Meadows Zoning Code of Ordinances to Reduce the Number of Required Parking Spaces from 107 to 25, and Other Relief Necessary to Accommodate the Craft Grow Establishment for 11th Level, Inc. at 1125 Carnegie Street (1st Reading)

Mayor Gallo read the title into record and asked for a motion to consider this Ordinance for 1st reading. Alderman Budmats made the motion and was seconded by Alderman O’Brien.

Alderman Budmats stated that he will be voting no based on the residents who reached out to him that do not support this type of business.

Alderman O’Brien stated that he will be voting against this based on the majority of the residents that reached out to him that are against any type of cannabis entity in addition to the one we have in Rolling Meadows.

Alderman McHale stated that she will be voting yes and clarified that this is not for a dispensary it is for a craft grow business which is different than a dispensary. Alderman McHale mentioned that the majority of Council voted in favor of this type of business in the past (November 2020).

Alderman Bisesi stated that if this were for a dispensary he would vote no but it's for a business that is growing the product and does not see a reason to vote no.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 3 in favor and 2 opposed. Attorney Wolf stated that for an ordinance to be approved it needs 4 votes and this ordinance did not receive the sufficient votes to be approved but we'll evaluate whether this moves forward to 2nd reading for final approval and at which time 4 votes would be required for ordinance approval. The 3 votes are the majority and authorize the movement to 2nd reading.

➤ **NEW BUSINESS:**

D) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 3/22/2022

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Warrant. Alderman McHale made the motion and was seconded by Alderman Sanoica.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The Warrant was approved.

➤ **CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:**

The Consent Resolutions consisted of eight (8) items, items E thru L. Mayor Gallo asked if any Alderman wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda for Resolutions. No items were removed.

Mayor Gallo declared it in order for one motion to consider the Resolutions in one motion without debate. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman O'Brien. Mayor Gallo read the titles into the record.

E) Resolution No. 22-R-28 – Award a Contract for the Purchase of 4th of July Fireworks Display for a City Event

F) Resolution No. 22-R-29 – Approve Refuse Equipment Upgrades for Automated Refuse Collection Services

- G) Resolution No. 22-R-30 – Authorize the Award of a Contract for Annual Pavement Paint Striping Services**
- H) Resolution No. 22-R-31 – Award a Contract for 2022 Annual Pavement Patching Program for Selected City Streets**
- I) Resolution No. 22-R-32 – Authorize Award of Contract for FY2022 Street Maintenance – Annual Pavement Restorative Seal Application (PRA) and (CRF)**
- J) Resolution No. 22-R-33 – Authorize the Waiver of Permit Fees for Rolling Meadows Park District**
- K) Resolution No. 22-R-34 – Award a Contract for Emergency Construction Assistance Services for a Sanitary Sewer Main Line and Right-of-Way Sanitary Service Lateral Repair at 4403 Magnolia Drive**
- L) Resolution No. 22-R-35 – Award a Contract for Emergency Vehicle Preemption (EVP) Traffic Signal Repairs Identified During the 2022 Maintenance Inspections**

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The Resolutions were adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS:

Mayor's Appointments: None

Mayor's Proclamations: Bill Suchecki Retirement – Public Works

City Clerk's Report: None

City Staff Reports:

1) Community Items of Interest

Rob Sabo, City Manager reviewed the following:

- 1) To ensure safer streets in our City, the Police Department will be participating in the Distracted Driving campaign during the month of April, which will place a major focus on cell phone usage while driving. Police officers will be working to increase awareness of these dangers and encourage all motorists to put away their phones and give driving their full attention.
- 2) The Rolling Meadows Public Works Department is now hiring seasonal employees for a variety of positions such as clerical, custodial, and maintenance workers. The City also has internship opportunities for community development and engineering. Applicants must be 18 or older and can apply by visiting www.cityrm.org.
- 3) The City of Rolling Meadows has a variety of Boards and Commissions which provide feedback and guidance to the City Council and staff on matters of policy formulation, development and zoning considerations, infrastructure and capital needs, and much more. The City's Boards and Commissions are comprised of volunteer residents and community members who are formally appointed to serve set terms. If any residents are interested in volunteering to serve their community, please visit the Boards and Commissions page on the City website to view open vacancies along with information on how to express interest in volunteering to serve. Volunteers for specific Boards and Commissions will be asked to provide their professional and/or personal experience as it relates to the Board or Commission on which they are interested in serving. We encourage any residents who feel they may have qualifications or experience related to any City Boards or Commissions to apply for an appointment or to reach out to the City with any questions.

2) FY 2022 February Financials

Mayor Gallo stated that the financials are in the packet and if Council has any questions they should contact the Interim Finance Director, Tom Glaser directly as he is unable to attend our meetings.

3) April 12, 2022 City Council Draft Agenda

Rob Sabo, City Manager reviewed the following:

MOTION TO APPROVE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2022 COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING AND MARCH 22, 2022 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION TO DEVIATE: Police Life Saving Awards

MAYOR'S REPORT:

WARD REPORTS:

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CONSENT ORDINANCES:

- C) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Adoption of a Coal Tar Ban (1st Reading)*
- D) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Approval of a Whistleblower Policy (1st Reading)*
- E) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Adoption of Building Code Amendments and Updates (1st Reading)*
- F) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property (1st Reading)*

NEW BUSINESS:

- G) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT APRIL 12, 2022*

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:

- H) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Approve the Retainment of Closed Session Minutes and Recordings*
- I) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Award a Contract for 2022 Street Resurfacing Program*
- J) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Award a Contract for Construction Observation Engineering Services for the 2022 Street Resurfacing Program*
- K) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Approve the Purchase of a Replacement Dump Truck*
- L) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Approve Replacement of High-Ranger Forestry Vehicle*
- M) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Approve Creation of Data Analyst Position*
- N) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Approve Annual Fire Hydrant Painting Contract*
- O) Resolution No. 22-R-00 – Approve Salt Purchasing Quantity for State Bidding Purposes*

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, by unanimous consent the City Council meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk

March 22, 2022 City Council Minutes Approved by Council on April 12, 2022.

Judy Brose

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