

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2023**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: 0

With 7 present and 0 absent. Mayor Gallo declared that a quorum was physically 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, 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, Chief Information Officer Waseem Khan, Business Development Manager Martha Corner and Attorney Melissa Wolf

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien. A voice vote approved the Minutes as presented.

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 28, 2023 City Council Meeting. Alderperson Vinezeano made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien. A voice vote approved the Minutes as presented.

MOTION TO DEVIATE:

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to deviate for the Police Department Swearing-In Ceremony. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien. A voice vote approved the motion to deviate.

Mayor Gallo administered the Oath of Office to the following:

- Officer Alex Miller
- Commander Anthony Peluso
- Sergeant Jason Everett
- Sergeant David Rathbun

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to close the floor. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Bisesi. A voice vote approved the motion to close the floor.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

WARD REPORTS:

Aldersperson Vinezeano thanked the residents of the 4th Ward for the continued support as their elected official and also her fellow Council members for supporting her the last several months while she's been overcoming some medical challenges. Even though she hasn't been at all the meetings, she wanted to make a promise that she was always in communication with City Staff, City Manager, fellow Council members, the Mayor and residents of the 4th Ward. She has always put the needs and concerns of the 4th Ward residents above all and will continue to do so as their elected representative. Aldersperson Vinezeano wanted to make a statement and really appreciated all the residents who reached out. She is feeling much better and will be present at the meetings.

Aldersperson Bisesi stated that he's been asking about speed control in his Ward and was notified that a permanent solar powered speed sign is being planned for Oak Lane, the sign will be similar to the ones near the high school on Central Road. The Police Department are also looking at what can be done at the curve at Linden Lane and Birch Lane. There have been additional patrols during dismissal at RMHS and citations have been issued. In response to the catalytic converter thefts, the Police Department is working to set up a stamping program sometime in May, look for more information in the City's News & Views newsletter and on the City's social media outlets. Also, Weber Road resurfacing is currently planned for spring/summer 2024 which will be done with an Intergovernmental Agreement with Arlington Heights. Finally, being the Library liaison, he reminded residents of the Library's hours as well as new offerings from the Library.

Aldersperson O'Brien provided a summary from the April Economic Development Committee meeting.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES

There were no signatures on the sign-in sheet.

PENDING

A) Ordinance No. 23-10 – Approve Establishing and Assessing a Connection Charge for Brockway Street Sanitary Sewer Extension to 2750 and 2751 Brockway and 4921 Old Plum Grove Road (2nd Reading)

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

ROLL CALL:

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

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

B) Ordinance No. 23-11 – Modify the Permitted and Special Uses within the Arlington Office Park Planned Development (2nd Reading)

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

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

C) Ordinance No. 23-12 – Authorize a Special Use Permit for a Gas/Filling Station and Related Variations – 3005 Kirchoff Road (2nd Reading)

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

ROLL CALL:

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

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

D) Ordinance No. 23-13 – Amend City Code Regarding License and Regulation of Tobacco and Industrial Hemp Dealers (2nd Reading)

Mayor Gallo 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 McHale.

Alderperson Budmats asked for clarification for the difference of agenda items D and E and Staff confirmed that there are currently seven (7) establishments in the City, one is a standalone, and the exhibits show all locations with the City.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

E) Ordinance No. 23-14 – Amend Sections 122-42, 122-88 and 122-331 of the City of Rolling Meadows Zoning Code of Ordinances to Define and Regulate “Tobacco, Vape, and CBD shops” as Special Uses in the C-1 and C-2 Zoning Districts (2nd Reading) (Continued at January 24, 2023 City Council meeting)

Mayor Gallo 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.

Alderperson Sanoica stated that with the passing of the 2nd reading of agenda item D (Ordinance No. 23-13), she will not be voting in favor of the special use because the Code satisfies the regulations and requirements requested by Council and she would prefer that the Planning and Zoning Commission be tasked with other items that would require special uses for other types of developments or non-conforming developments. Given that Ordinance No. 23-13 was passed, Alderperson Sanoica will be voting no for the special use.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 4 in favor and 3 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

CONSENT ORDINANCES

The Consent Ordinances consisted of six (6) items, items F thru K. Mayor Gallo asked if any Alderperson wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for Ordinances. No items were removed.

Mayor Gallo declared it in order for one motion to consider the six (6) 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 Gallo read the titles into record.

- F) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Approve Liquor License Application for a Class B1 Liquor License for Supramart at 1300 Hicks Road (1st Reading)**
- G) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Amend the City Code in order to Reduce the Number of Class A2 Liquor Licenses Issued in the City of Rolling Meadows (Grande Jake’s – 5500 New Wilke Road) (1st Reading)**
- H) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Amend the City Code in Order to Reduce the Number of Video Gaming Accessory (GA) Licenses Issued in the City of Rolling Meadows (Grande Jake’s – 5500 New Wilke Road) (1st Reading)**
- I) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Approve Liquor License Application for a Class A2 Liquor License for Los 2 Pollos Restaurant at 2216 W. Algonquin Road (1st Reading)**

J) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Amend the Rolling Meadows Zoning Regulations Concerning “Religious Institutions” (1st Reading)

K) Ordinance No. 23-00 – Amend the Rolling Meadows Zoning Regulations to Change References to “Public Works Director” to Refer to the “Community Development Director” as Zoning Administrator (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

L) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 4/11/2023

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

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 twelve (12) items, items M thru X. Mayor Gallo asked if any Alderperson wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda for Resolutions.

Alderperson Budmats removed item X.

Mayor Gallo declared it in order for one motion to consider the remaining eleven (11) Resolutions in one motion without debate. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O’Brien. Mayor Gallo read the titles into the record.

M) Resolution No. 23-R-49 – Approve a Hold Harmless Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Work Performed with the State of Illinois Right-of-Way

N) Resolution No. 23-R-50 – Authorize a Contract for the Purchase of one (1) Fire Department Administrative Vehicle from National Auto Fleet Group, Inc for purchasing one (1) 2023 Ford F-150 Responder 4x4 Pickup Truck in an Amount of \$52,663.65

- O) Resolution No. 23-R-51 – Award a Contract for the 2023 Annual Pavement Patching Program to Chicagoland Paving for Selected City Streets in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$100,000**
- P) Resolution No. 23-R-52 – Award a Professional Engineering Contract for Full Time Construction Engineering and Related Engineering Services for the Park Street Storm Project- Phase I in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$91,800**
- Q) Resolution No. 23-R-53 – Approve the Purchase of a 2024 Freightliner Dump Truck with Snow Plowing equipment - (Replacement of T318 2007 International Dump Truck) from TransChicago Truck Group in an Amount of \$241,668.00**
- R) Resolution No. 23-R-54 – Authorizing the Purchase of Asphalt Materials for FY2023 from Healy Asphalt (Arrow Road Construction Company) in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$90,000**
- S) Resolution No. 23-R-55 – Approve the Purchase of a 2025 Freightliner Dump Truck with Snow Plowing equipment - (Replacement of T317 2008 International Dump Truck) from TransChicago Truck Group in an Amount of \$244,632**
- T) Resolution No. 23-R-56 – Award a Contract for 2023 Resurfacing Observation Engineering Services to Christopher B. Burke Engineering in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$69,562**
- U) Resolution No. 23-R-57 – Award the 2023 Road Resurfacing Project to Builders Paving LLC, in an Amount of \$948,000**
- V) Resolution No. 23-R-58 – Award a Contract for 2023 Reconstruction Observation Engineering Services to Christopher B. Burke Engineering in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$73,622**
- W) Resolution No. 23-R-59 – Award the 2023 Road Reconstruction Project to Arrow Road Construction Company in an Amount of \$739,671.90**

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 X was pulled by Alderperson Budmats.

X) Resolution No. 23-R-60 – Authorize the Purchase and Installation of LED Lighting Improvements to both City Hall/PD Facility and Public Works Facility with BA Solutions in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$129,731.66

Mayor Gallo read the title into record and asked for a motion to adopt this Resolution. Alderperson Budmats made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson Sanoica.

Alderperson Budmats requested help to understand why the City is going to pay \$129,731.66 to save electricity when the City doesn't pay for electricity.

Mayor Gallo stated that this is a great opportunity for the City even though the City doesn't pay for electricity, however, the consumption of electricity does have a toll on the community. By doing this, the City will be able to save 32 metric tons of CO2 which is equivalent to seven (7) vehicles off the street, the City will save \$5,217 annually as well as 65,214 kilowatt hours a year and not to mention the numerous resources stating the physiological, the psychological and operational benefits from converting from incandescent bulbs to LED lighting. Mayor Gallo believes it's a great opportunity to upgrade the bulbs in all of the City's infrastructure.

City Manager Sabo stated that while the City does not currently pay for electricity, there are municipalities that have revisited their franchise agreements with ComEd. There are two (2) options that a community can take with their franchise agreement, they can choose to take the no cost where they don't pay an electric bill or choose to take an approach where the ComEd franchise authority still collects franchise fees and remits them to the City and then the City pays their bill. The City could ultimately collect more in franchise fees than the bill totals. There is no certainty that the City is moving in that direction but ultimately it would be Council's decision.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 1 opposed. The Resolutions were adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS

Mayor's Appointments:

Environmental Committee (Reappointment)

- Karen Gill

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the reappointment. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson O'Brien.

Alderperson Sanoica stated that it's been a pleasure working with Karen on the Environmental Committee and she has been very active in the community through all the initiatives and also active in all policy decisions that they have been making and will be making in the future.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

Mayor's Proclamations: None

City Clerk's Report: None

City Staff Reports:

1) Community Items of Interest

City Manager Rob Sabo announced the following:

- 1) The Rolling Meadows 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 Police Department will be holding a Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on Saturday, April 22nd, from 10am-2pm. Simply drive up and drop off in the front parking lot at City Hall, located at 3600 Kirchoff Road.
- 3) Save a life and consider giving blood on Thursday, April 27th, from 1-7 pm at City Hall (3600 Kirchoff Road). Appointments are required and donors can register at www.vitalant.org or call 877-258-4825.
- 4) Planning for this year's 4th of July festivities is underway. The City is currently accepting applications from groups, businesses, and individuals that want to participate in the City's 4th of July Parade which will be held on Tuesday, July 4 at 11:30am along Meadow Drive. Applications to participate are due by Friday, June 23rd and there is no fee. For more information, visit the City's website at www.cityrm.org.
- 5) A City contractor will be performing an emergency repair to the water main along the north side of Kirchoff Road between Rohlwing Road and Hicks Road. The repair will require the closure of the north lane of the westbound lane of Kirchoff Road while the work is being performed. Please exercise caution and slow down when driving through this area while construction work is ongoing. The work is scheduled to be completed by the end of the week.

2) **March 2023 New Business Report**

Business Development Manager Martha Corner reviewed the following:

- 1) The Galaxy Institute – Behavioral Health Agency

3) **April 18, 2023 Committee of the Whole Draft Agenda**

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on the April 18, 2023 Committee of the Whole draft agenda. The final agenda will be posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act prior to the meeting date.

4) **April 25, 2023 City Council Draft Agenda**

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on the April 25, 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: None

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) **Review Closed Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act** - Semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

Mayor Gallo 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)(21) of the Open Meetings Act regarding the review of closed session minutes. Alderperson Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderperson 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 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk

April 11, 2023 City Council Minutes Approved by Council on April 25, 2023.

Judy Brose

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