

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES – May 28, 2019**

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

ROLL CALL:

Present: Cannon, Budmats, O'Brien, Bisesi, D'Astice, Sanoica

Absent: 0

With 6 present and 0 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, Deputy Police Chief Bill Arneson, Assistant Director Public Works Rob Horne, Business Advocate Martha Corner, City Attorney Jim Macholl

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

The first order of business is to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2019 City Council Meeting. Is there a motion to approve the minutes? Alderman O'Brien made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Budmats. Are there any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes? Seeing none, all those in favor say aye; those opposed say nay. The ayes have it and the minutes are approved.

MOTION TO DEVIATE:

I am requesting a motion to deviate. Do I have such a motion? Alderman Budmats made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Bisesi. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor of deviating from the agenda please signify by saying aye; those opposed say nay. The ayes have it and we will now deviate from the agenda.

Awards Presented:

Chief of Police Commendation Award – Vinnie Sluga

Citizen Life Safety Award – Michael Branson

Citizen Life Safety Award – Dan Vockeroth

Could I get a motion to close the floor? Alderman Cannon has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman O'Brien. All those in favor say aye; those opposed say nay.

Mayor Gallo closed the floor.

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

I want to congratulate everyone who participated in the Memorial Day Parade. It was a phenomenal turnout even though the weather didn't cooperate. Attendance was good both by those participating in the parade and those who were watching the parade. There were some ceremonious parts that got missed as a result of the weather but I do know that those portions will be included in next year's ceremony.

WARD REPORTS:

Alderman Sanoica – A resident of the 7th Ward contacted me to express concerns that the natural gas tax does not provide tier discounts for senior citizens. The resident also stated that the increased use in residential natural gases does not correlate with increased road usage in the same way buying additional vehicle stickers for additional cars might. The resident strongly felt that tax revenues for road repairs should be funded by vehicle owners or purchases relating more directly to roads. I provided the resident with contact information for Commissioner Scott Britton of Cook County and the 14th district and a general phone number for him to contact Cook County for utility financial assistance. I also explained that the natural gas tax is considered a more equitable tax on the whole because businesses, churches and other entities that would not have paid vehicle stickers but use our roads are paying their fair share. Furthermore, comparisons between revenues under the natural gas tax and the vehicle sticker program are unavailable at this time given that the natural gas tax was implemented in December 2018.

Alderman O'Brien - A resident contacted me in the 3rd Ward regarding Campbell/Cardinal, an intersection where there was high traffic volume of speeding and no observance to the stop sign. I talked to Chief right away, I think he had a Commander out at the house the next day. The resident reached back out to me and I just wanted to share his thanks for the quick response from the City and he wanted to also thank the Police Department for the quick response and placing a car there throughout the day to keep an eye on that intersection. Unfortunately, we know when they are gone they will probably go through the stop sign but we did have a nice conversation with the resident and he understood.

Alderman Budmats – A resident in my Ward contacted me. She had a problem where apparently Flood Brothers recycling truck had ripped the electrical wire going to her house. Public Works worked together to get a hold of the people at Flood Brothers and had them try to work this out with her. So thank you to Public Works for working that out with this resident.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES:

The meeting is now open to the public. 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.

Per Rules of Procedures the public is to address the City Council, and the fact that no member of the City Council responds does not mean that the City Council or any member thereof agrees or disagrees with the comment.

In order to attain this objective the following rules of conduct are hereby established, they are also listed on the sign-in sheet when you sign in:

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

The only signatory is Annette Szafran.

Annette Szafran of Central Road, Rolling Meadows – Before we came here we were watching Channel 6 with all the news flashes of things going on in the City. They had about our upcoming block party which is going to be at Rolling Meadows High School parking lot. However, on the sign on TV it just says “new location, new location Central Road”. Why don't you put on there that it's Rolling Meadows High School? There's other buildings and parking lots and facilities along Central Road, it's not very definitive of where this nice activity is going to be happening. I think whoever designs the signs for Channel 6, our municipal channel, has to go through them and read them as if you didn't know what was happening so that it's more definitive.

Secondly, we are announcing on Channel 6 about our 4th of July but we should put a shout out that we are accepting applications for parade marshals for our youngsters of Rolling Meadows that would like to be in the parade. They can go online and get an application and all the details for that upcoming event. I would hope that people that are watching this tonight that have children in Rolling Meadows that would like to be a parade marshal this year that they go online and get their applications in because the deadline is fast approaching and we would like to have our horse drawn wagon full of Rolling Meadows parade marshals. We just have to make sure we have to get more information out there for our public. Our signage could be a little bit better, more informative and more definitive, I think that would be helpful to our residents.

Mayor Gallo closed the floor.

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

➤ **PENDING:**

A) Resolution No. 19-R-51 – Approve and Accept a Municipal Sign Easement for a Proposed Community Events Sign at 2550 Quentin Road – NSMJAWA Property (was tabled at the March 26, 2019 City Council meeting and postponed at 4/23/19 City Council Meeting)

Is there a motion to approve this Resolution? Alderman D’Astice has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Sanoica. Is there any discussion?

Alderman Sanoica – This is a question for Staff. As written, the easement can only be used for a sign or marker and given the strong resident opposition to a marker of any kind at this site for reasons of safety, function and effectiveness, I will be voting No on this Resolution and supporting alternative communication methods. However, Mr. Horne at the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting you had mentioned or suggested approving the easement in the event we decided to use the space for something else such as a park bench. Upon further follow-up, I wanted to confirm that those types of options are possible under the language of this particular Resolution.

Rob Horne, Assistant Director Public Works – As it’s currently written they are not, you are correct. Per our previous discussion the language would have to be changed in regard to the specific explanation for the easement as it’s currently written.

Alderman Sanoica – My other question then to Staff is if we were to pursue a bike path along that area would we still need to do the required paperwork necessary for an easement in that same spot for the bike path?

Rob Horne, Assistant Director Public Works – The bike path is actually adjacent to the easement. The easement is actually east of where the bike path is located which we have currently submitted per City Council direction, we just received the Phase 1 report that is being submitted as part of that grant project.

Alderman Sanoica – So to clarify then, no additional paperwork for easements of that property would be necessary for that project.

Rob Horne, Assistant Director Public Works – Not related to this section of land that you’re considering right now.

Alderman Sanoica – What options would be available to support that project using this easement if we weren’t to use a marker or sign?

Rob Horne, Assistant Director Public Works – I don’t understand that question, can you repeat?

Alderman Sanoica – What suggestions does Staff have for that particular section, that easement if we were to approve the easement for something other than a marker or sign?

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Rob Horne, Assistant Director Public Works – Again, the first item was a resting area since it is adjacent to the bike path and another alternative would be a drinking fountain because that bike path will connect to a pretty significant user area if it is constructed.

Alderman O'Brien – Just one question for Staff, I know it says making sure we have a \$1 million insurance policy, would that would automatically be covered by the general insurance policy of the City? It's not an additional cost? It's just part of the umbrella policy?

Barry Krumstok, City Manager – It's all part of our umbrella policy.

Alderman D'Astice – To the City Attorney, do we need to amend the Ordinance to include the possibility of a park bench or water fountain in order to accept it?

Jim Macholl, City Attorney – The underlying document itself would have to be amended to reflect that particular type of use which it currently does not. If the Grantor JAWA provides us that type of flexibility, the document can be revised accordingly and it would come back for approval.

Alderman D'Astice – We can't just amend it right now to include that and pass it this week? The best procedure for us to do is make a motion to postpone or to table? To allow Staff to go back to JAWA and see if they would approve that and then have it come back. Right now we don't have that option so it doesn't make sense to pass it without having those options as discussed at the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

Jim Macholl, City Attorney – I prefer postponing it as opposed to laying it on the table. I think protocol would dictate that we go back to JAWA and say we would like to have these additional uses added to it and see what they come back with rather than us saying we'll accept and then go back to JAWA. We should go back to JAWA and they agree to do it and then come back to us.

Barry Krumstok, City Manager – If it is postponed it would have to be postponed numerous meetings because they only meet quarterly to revise their Ordinance. We can get a verbal pretty quickly but we would not have a revised Ordinance from JAWA to revise 19-02 that was passed.

Jim Macholl, City Attorney – Then I think the thing to do is lay it on the table. One of the Alderman can make a motion to table and then second it and then it's not debatable.

Mayor Gallo - Is there a motion to table this Resolution? Alderman Budmats has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Sanoica. Will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Bisesi, D'Astice, Sanoica, Cannon, Budmats, O'Brien

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

With 6 favor and 0 opposed this Resolution is Tabled.

Alderman Cannon – I'd like to reassure people who are in my ward who are afraid that we're trying to play some games here. We have no intention of approving a sign, I'd like everyone to completely understand that. There is no side game going on here. I won't speak for Staff, I think part of the reason is that they've worked a lot of hours and time to try and get the easement and I think they were just looking for an easy way to keep the easement for future possibilities. A sign will NOT be going on there.

B) Ordinance No. 19 – 32 – Approve Vehicle and Equipment Disposal (2nd Reading)

Is there a motion to adopt this Ordinance? Alderman Sanoica has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman O'Brien. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: D'Astice, Sanoica, Cannon, Budmats, O'Brien, Bisesi

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

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

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

The next item on the agenda is the Consent Ordinances in for 1st Reading. It consists of one item C. Do I have a motion to proceed? Alderman D'Astice has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Bisesi.

C) Ordinance No. 19 – 00 – Amend Chapter 102 “Taxation” – Hotel Tax (1st Reading)

The question is shall this Ordinance be moved forward for 2nd Reading? Will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Sanoica, Cannon, Budmats, O'Brien, Bisesi, D'Astice

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed this Ordinance will be moved forward for the 2nd Reading.

➤ **NEW BUSINESS:**

D) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 5/28/2019

The next item of business is a motion to approve the Warrant from May 28, 2019 as presented by the Finance Department. Is there a motion to approve the warrant? Alderman O'Brien made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Budmats. Is there any discussion? Seeing none, will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Cannon, Budmats, O'Brien, Bisesi, D'Astice, Sanoica
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

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

➤ **CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:**

The next items on the agenda are the Consent Resolutions. It consists of five (5) items, Items E thru I. Does any Alderman wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda for Resolutions? Seeing none, the Chair declares it in order for one motion to consider all Resolutions in one motion without debate. Is there such a motion? Alderman Budmats has made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman Cannon. The question is, shall all five (5) Resolutions be adopted?

- E) Resolution No. 19-R-72 – Approve the Creation of an Ad Hoc 2020 Census Complete County Committee**
- F) Resolution No. 19-R-73 – Approve Change Order #1 for Phase 2 Construction of the Trench Drain Replacement Project located at the Public Works Facility – 3900 Berdnick Street**
- G) Resolution No. 19-R-74 – Approve the Purchase of Asphalt for FY2019**
- H) Resolution No. 19-R-75 – Rescind Resolution 19-R-31 for the Purchase and Installation of an Electronic Message Sign located at 2550 Quentin Road**
- I) Resolution No. 19-R-76 – Award Contract for Repairs to the Public Works Material Storage Bin Building Located at 3900 Berdnick Street**

Again, the question is shall all five (5) Resolutions be adopted? Will the Clerk please call the Roll.

AYES: Budmats, O'Brien, Bisesi, D'Astice, Sanoica, Cannon
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed all five (5) Resolutions are adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS:

Mayor's Appointments: None

Mayor's Proclamations: None

City Clerk's Report: None

City Staff Reports:

Barry Krumstok, City Manager went over the following:

1) Community Items of Interest:

- 1) Thank you to everyone who donated at the 17th Annual Dunkin Donuts Cop on Rooftop promotion that took place on Friday, May 17th at the Dunkin Donuts located at 3350 Kirchoff Road.
- 2) If you missed the Saturday, May 25th bike ride sponsored by the Environmental Committee, the next one is scheduled for Saturday, June 22nd starting at 9:00 am at Community Church (2720 Kirchoff Road).
- 3) If you missed the Saturday, May 25th Farmers & Food Trucks events, the next one is scheduled for Saturday, June 22nd from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Community Church (2720 Kirchoff Road).
- 4) Meadows Cruise Nights are back thanks to Meadows Christian Fellowship located at 2401 Kirchoff Road. The cruisers will be around from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday's starting May 31st and going all the way through September 6th. Please join the free family fun at 2401 Kirchoff Road. If you want additional information, please visit www.meadowscruisenights.com
- 5) Amish Farmers, located at 2122 Plum Grove Road, will open to the public on Friday, May 31st at 8:00 am.
- 6) Sunday, June 2nd the annual Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch run will be conducted on Golf Road in the morning. For further information, to participate, or to donate please contact Police Chief Nowacki (847-255-2416).
- 7) June 7th – 5th Annual Block Party to be conducted – on Central Road from 4:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Central Road and the Rolling Meadows High School Parking Lot will be utilized this year as construction continues on Kirchoff Road. Please plan on visiting and watch for directional and parking signs.
- 8) Friday, June 14th is the first scheduled Friday Rock and Roll in Meadows. This event takes place from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm at Kimball Hill Park. Music will be provided by the musical group Spoken Four.

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- 9) June 17th – Flag Retirement Ceremony conducted by Scout Troop 168 will commence at 7:00 pm at the Kimball Hill Park Fire Bowl/Pit. *Anyone can bring flags to be retired or drop them off at City Hall and we will make sure they are brought over for the event.*
- 10) Do you have a crime tip or information that may help the Rolling Meadows Police? Please contact Rolling Meadows Crime Stoppers at 1-847-590-7867 (1-847-590-STOP).
- 11) Future topics at June Committee meetings:

Economic Development Committee – *(Tuesday, June 4th at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers)*: tentative items for discussion consist of: 1) new business feedback and contact distribution; 2) Business Advocate Update; 3) City Website Review; 4) items of interest in the City; 5) Chamber of Commerce Update; and 6) other items of interest in the City.

Planning and Zoning Commission – *due to a lack of discussion items there will not be a June meeting.*
- 12) Due to the weather, the Memorial Day ceremony was shortened. As a result, the names of the Rolling Meadows residents who passed away in 2018 (that would have been read on Saturday) will be included in next year's event.
- 13) Take an extra moment on June 6th, the 75th Anniversary of D-day, to thank a WWII veteran for their service. We appreciate all veterans.

Barry Krumstok, City Manager went over the following:

2) New Businesses – April 2019

- 1) School Health – Warehouse/Distribution
- 2) Daisy's Cafe – Restaurant & Gaming Lounge
- 3) Cottage Door Press – Children's Book Publisher

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Alderman Cannon – I just want to reiterate for anyone in my Ward that wasn't paying attention to the agenda, item H tonight is to remove the sign on Quentin Road as this caused a lot of controversy. The sign is officially dead now so there is no ambiguity about that, the sign will not be going in there.

I also wanted to mention to the people in my Ward, that there is going to be five (5) streets in the Ward that is going to be reconstructed this year, they are Prairie, Highland west of Quentin, Jessica Court, Kevin Lane and Michael Court. Public Works will be responding to all those people that are effected with information about how to park cars, etc. We don't have an exact start date but I'm trying to give people a warning ahead of time. Public Works will be having an information meeting in the near future at City Hall.

Alderman D'Astice – Past procedure has been for the Mayor to announce that resumes are being accepted for interested individuals to be interviewed for the open 4th Ward Alderman position. I had a resident from the 4th Ward contact me and ask if you are currently accepting resumes for the open position to be interviewed.

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Mayor Gallo – I am and I already collected more than five (5) resumes and I will put it out again that they are being opened for review and submitted to my email address.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Gallo - Do I have a motion to adjourn? Alderman Cannon made the motion and it has been seconded by Alderman O'Brien. All in favor say aye; opposed.

There being no further business, by unanimous consent the City Council meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk