

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
July 12, 2022**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Budmats, Vinezeano

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, Finance Director Molly Talkington, Deputy City Clerk Judy Brose, Police Chief John Nowacki, Fire Chief Jeff Moxley, Deputy Fire Chief Pete Sutter, Assistant Director Public Works JoEllen Charlton, Information Officer Waseem Khan, Business Advocate Martha Corner and Attorney Melissa Wolf

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the June 21, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman O'Brien. A voice vote approved the Minutes as presented.

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the June 28, 2022 City Council Meeting. Alderman Sanoica 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 for the Illinois Section American Water Works Association (ISAWWA) Award Presentation. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman McHale. A voice vote approved the motion to deviate.

Representatives from ISAWWA presented an award to the City of Rolling Meadows and stated that the City has completed all the necessary requirements in 2021 to receive gold level recognition which is the highest level of achievement.

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to close the floor. Alderman Sanoica 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 O'Brien stated that residents have contacted him with concerns of speeding along Rohlwing and Kirchoff. The Police Department will have additional patrols/enforcement that will focus on these areas. Rohlwing is also slated for discussion at the next Traffic Review Committee. Additionally, a few residents have reached to him regarding tree limb damage from the recent storms. Public Works confirmed that they review each storm event on a case by case basis and the storm needs to be recorded as a microburst (or above) for the City to offer pickup services for branches over 4 feet in length. Finally, Alderman O'Brien provided the Economic Development Committee monthly update summary.

Alderman Sanoica stated that she received inquiries regarding the status of if Rolling Meadows will qualify for a sound wall along Route 53. There is money in the budget for a study and it's a top priority for the Capital Improvement Committee. Additional discussion/updates will be provided when available.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES:

There were no signatures on the sign-in sheet.

PENDING:

- A) Ordinance No. 22-23 – Grant Approval of a Special Use Authorizing a Major Amendment to the Marketplace of Rolling Meadows Planned Development Authorized by Ordinance 00-16 for Lot 5, including a Request for Approval of Preliminary and Final Plans to Redevelop the Site with a New 3,077 Square Foot Raising Canes Restaurant with Drive-Thru, including Variations and Other Exceptions and Zoning Relief Necessary to Construct the Project in Accordance with the Plans Submitted at 1420 Golf Road (2nd Reading)**

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

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The Ordinance was adopted.

- B) Ordinance No. 22-24 – Approve Deferring the Imposition of the Municipal Push Tax for the City of Rolling Meadows (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 O'Brien.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The Ordinance was adopted.

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

The Consent Ordinances consisted of five (5) items, items C thru G. Mayor Gallo asked if any Alderman wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda for Ordinances.

Alderman Sanoica pulled item C.

Alderman O'Brien pulled item D.

Mayor Gallo declared it in order for one motion to consider the remaining three (3) Ordinances in one motion without debate. Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to consider the Ordinances for 1st Reading. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman O'Brien. Mayor Gallo read the titles into record.

Item C was pulled by Alderman Sanoica. (See below)

Item D was pulled by Alderman O'Brien. (See below)

- E) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Amend the Annual Term of Liquor License in the City of Rolling Meadows (1st Reading)**
- F) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Accept a Temporary Easement from Community Consolidated School District 15 (1st Reading)**
- G) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Accept a Temporary Construction and Permanent Easement from the Rolling Meadows Park District (1st Reading)**

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The Ordinances were moved forward for 2nd reading.

Item C was pulled by Alderman Sanoica.

C) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Amend the City’s Ward Map in Accordance with the City’s Population Changes Reported in the 2020 Decennial Census (1st Reading)

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

Alderman Sanoica asked for a motion to postpone the 1st reading of this Ordinance to the July 26, 2022 meeting. There has been a decade’s long disagreement between the residents of northern Jody Court currently in Ward 7 and the HOA of the Brookwood Condominiums currently in Ward 2. (The proposed Ward map is on page 94 of the agenda packet https://www.cityrm.org/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/_07122022-939). An agreement was made by Alderman Sanoica and Alderman Budmats at the April 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting to work together on this issue representing residents from both sides of the drainage area. Alderman Sanoica will continue to approach this issue regardless of what happens with the Wards with all residents’ interests in mind. With the proposed redistricting, Alderman Sanoica does not want the residents of Brookwood to feel that they won’t have a seat at the table with regards to this issue. Alderman Budmats was not in attendance at this meeting and a postponement would allow time for Alderman Budmats and Alderman Sanoica to work with the City Attorney to discuss viable options to present at the next City Council meeting. Alderman McHale seconded the motion to postpone.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The 1st reading of this Ordinance was postponed to the July 26, 2022 City Council meeting.

Item D was pulled by Alderman O’Brien.

D) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Amend Section 18-426, Entitled “Crime Free Housing” of Division 3, Article XI, Chapter 18 of the City Code of the City of Rolling Meadows (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 Sanoica.

Alderman O’Brien shared feedback from a resident that is in support of the program overall but has concerns with the administration of the program specific to the licensing and the annual inspections.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

➤ **NEW BUSINESS:**

H) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 7/12/2022

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

ROLL CALL:

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

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

➤ **RESOLUTIONS:**

I) Resolution No. 22-R-61 – Approve a Non-Exclusive License Agreement Between the City of Rolling Meadows and the Rolling Meadows Park District to Permit a Wall Mural Along the Kirchoff Road Underpass

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

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The Resolution was adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS:

Mayor's Appointments:

Environmental Committee

- Raymond Mau

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve this appointment. Alderman McHale made the motion and was seconded by Alderman O'Brien.

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

With 5 in favor and 0 opposed. The appointment was 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) Summertime fun continues this Friday, July 15th at the FRIDAYS ROCK! concert in Kimball Hill Park! Bring your lawn chair and blanket to enjoy the opening band, THE JOLLY RINGWALDS, at 5:30 and HELLO WEEKEND at 7:30 pm. An assortment of food vendors will be on hand and adult beverages will now be served, with the Stadium Sports Club serving in July. Thank you to the Rolling Meadows Park District for sponsoring opening bands and for the use of their property. For questions, visit www.cityrm.org.
- 2) A free outdoor movie, snacks, fun and games – all happening on Saturday July 30th with the Rolling Meadows Police Department! This year's Movie Night with the Cops will feature Disney's "Moana" at 7:00 pm, behind the Community Center at 3705 Pheasant Drive. Visit the City's website for more information at www.cityrm.org.
- 3) A few days later on Tuesday, August 2nd, the Rolling Meadows Police Department will gather with the community at the popular annual event, National Night Out! This year's highlights include the rescheduled July 4th City fireworks display, a helicopter candy drop, circus performers, face painters, touch-a-truck, food samples (while supplies last) and more!
- 4) Interested in volunteering? The Rolling Meadows Community Events Foundation volunteer committee meeting will be held next Tuesday, July 19th at 6:00 pm at City Hall. Join us to help plan and prepare for the City's exciting events this year and in the years ahead. Contact Lori at 847-394-8500 x1002 for more information or to reserve your spot.

2) June New Business Report

- 1) Neoarchi, Inc. – IT Project Solutions & Services Provider
- 2) Prime Roofing Exam Prep of IL – Educational Services
- 3) Cardinal ColorGroup – Commercial Printer

3) July 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole Draft Agenda

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on July 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole draft agenda. The final agenda will be posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act prior to the meeting.

4) July 26, 2022 City Council Draft Agenda

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on July 26, 2022 City Council draft agenda. The final agenda will be posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act prior to the meeting.

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Alderman O'Brien thanked the Police and Fire Departments for the ride-along opportunities he had in the past two weeks. Rolling Meadows is extremely fortunate to have the best in the business and it was amazing to see first-hand of how the teams operate. Alderman O'Brien was shocked to see how many drivers that were not yielding to emergency vehicles and pleaded that it's extremely important to honor Scott's Law or move over law which requires all motorists to move over or reduce speed when encountering any police or other emergency vehicles stopped along the roadway. Our amazing first responders leave their families every day to protect the citizens of Rolling Meadows so let's make sure they return home safely.

Alderman Bisesi thanked Manager Sabo, Chief Nowacki and the Police Department for all their hard work on July 4th especially after being notified of the devastating incident in Highland Park. Alderman Bisesi also thanked the Police Department for controlling the impromptu firework displays that still occurred that evening.

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.
- 3) **Building Security Plan - 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (8) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act** – Building Safety and Security.

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to go into closed session under section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act regarding Personnel, under section 2(c)(6) of the Open Meetings Act regarding Land Sales and section 2(c)(8) of the Open Meetings Act regarding Building Security Plan. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman Bisesi.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 5 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 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk

July 12, 2022 City Council Minutes Approved by Council on July 26, 2022.

Judy Brose

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