

**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
November 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, Vinezeano, Bisesi, Sanoica

Absent: Reyez

With 6 present and 1 absent. A quorum was present.

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

Staff Members Present: City Manager Rob Sabo, Finance Director Molly Talkington, Deputy City Clerk Judy Brose, Police Chief John Nowacki, Fire Chief Pete Sutter, Deputy Fire Chief Scott Mohr, Director Public Works Aaron Grosskopf, Chief Information Officer Waseem Khan and Attorney Melissa Wolf

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 8, 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: None

MAYOR'S REPORT: None

WARD REPORTS

Alderman Sanoica reported that on Thursday (11/17/22) she and Deputy Clerk Judy Brose met with several residents from Ward 7 and from other Wards regarding the chicken/hen license experience. Overall, it was a very productive meeting with a lot of feedback. Alderman Sanoica thanked everyone who came to the meeting and thanked all those who emailed and called. She looks forward to presenting a formal report to Council on how the project has gone.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR 20 MINUTES

There were no signatures on the sign-in sheet.

PENDING:

A) Ordinance No. 22-48 – Approve Property Tax Levy Abatement (2nd Reading)

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

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

B) Ordinance No. 22-49 – Approve Property Tax Levy 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 O’Brien made the motion and was seconded by Alderman Sanoica.

Alderman O’Brien stated that he supports the 1% but has concerns for the longer term sustainability but knows Staff is going to look at this in 2023. He has some caution about the future and how we’ll cover our costs with everything going up.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

C) Ordinance No. 22-50 – Approve Property Tax Levy for the Rolling Meadows Library (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 McHale.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

D) Ordinance No. 22-51 – Approve the Disposal of City Property - Equipment (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 Vinezeano.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

E) Ordinance No. 22-52 – Amend the Rolling Meadows City Code Related to Property Tax Incentive Applications (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 McHale.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was adopted.

F) Ordinance No. 22-53 – Amend the Alcohol Liquor Code to Approve a Class GA liquor License for Video Gaming for Anna's Red Apple LLC dba Anna's Red Apple at 2121 Plum Grove Road (2nd Reading)

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

Alderman Budmats made a motion to table this item for not less than 90 days to allow the applicant to bring both of his locations into compliance and was seconded by Alderman Sanoica. Council discussed concerns regarding this business owner and operations and recent inspections that have taken place for all gaming entities within the City. The applicant is in violation of items at two locations, specifically not serving food at one of his locations. Council wanted to allow at least 90 days for the applicant to come into compliance and following the rules before voting on this item.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. This Ordinance was tabled for not less than 90 days.

CONSENT ORDINANCES

The Consent Ordinances in for first reading consisted of three (3) items, items G thru I. Mayor Gallo asked if any Alderman wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for Ordinances.

Alderman Budmats pulled item H.

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

G) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Amend Section 122-363(1) of the Zoning Code and Section 78-27 of the City Code in order to Reduce the Number of Members of the Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of Rolling Meadows (1st Reading)

Item H (see below).

I) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Approval of the City of Rolling Meadows Compensation Plan for FY2023 (1st Reading)

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. The Ordinances were moved forward for 2nd reading.

Item H was removed by Alderman Budmats.

H) Ordinance No. 22-00 – Amend the City of Rolling Meadows Zoning Code of Ordinances to Define and Regulate “Tobacco, Vape, and CBD shops” as Permitted Uses in the C-1 and C-2 Zoning Districts (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 Vinezeano.

Council discussed the difference between a permitted use and a special use. A permitted use does not have to come before Council for approval and a special use would mean that any application must be reviewed on a case by case basis by Staff and Council prior to approval.

Alderman Budmats made a motion to direct this back to the Planning and Zoning Commission to consider changing this to a special use and other recommendations proposed by Council and was seconded by Alderman Sanoica.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 4 in favor and 3 opposed with Mayor Gallo breaking the tie vote. This Ordinance will be sent back to the Planning and Zoning Commission to review the proposed changes and will be brought back to Council at a future date.

NEW BUSINESS

J) MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS ON WARRANT 11/22/2022

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

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. The Warrant was approved.

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

The Consent Resolutions consisted of five (5) items, items K thru O. 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 five (5) Resolutions in one motion without debate. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and was seconded by Alderman McHale. Mayor Gallo read the titles into the record.

- K) Resolution No. 22-R-102 – Acknowledge and Accept the FY 2023 Rolling Meadows Library Budget**
- L) Resolution No. 22-R-103 – Adopt FY 2023 City of Rolling Meadows Budget**
- M) Resolution No. 22-R-104 – Approve the Retainment of Closed Session Minutes and Recordings**
- N) Resolution No. 22-R-105 – Authorize the Purchase of Deicing Materials from Crystal Vision, Inc. for the 2022/2023 Winter Season in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$34,452**

O) Resolution No. 22-R-106 – Authorize the three (3) Sanitary Sewer Point Repairs in Accordance with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) in an Amount of \$79,571.00 from Archon Construction Co. Inc.

ROLL CALL:

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

With 6 in favor and 0 opposed. The Resolutions were adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS & REPORTS

Mayor's Appointments: None

Mayor's Proclamations: None

City Clerk's Report: Presentation of the 2023 City Council Meeting Dates

City Staff Reports:

1) Community Items of Interest

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the following:

- 1) The 2022 US Marine Corps Toys for Tots collection starts on November 7th and runs to December 16th. New, unwrapped toys are donated to local families in need and can be dropped off at the Rolling Meadows City Hall (3600 Kirchoff Road) and Library (3110 Martin Lane).
- 2) The City's annual Holiday Celebration will be held on Thursday, December 1st at 6:00 pm. Ring in the seasonal spirit with festive songs, Santa Claus, live reindeer, horse-drawn wagon rides, hot cocoa, goodies and the lighting of the City's holiday tree! The event will be held on the property of the City's Historical Museum at 3100 Central Road – which will be open for visitors to enjoy tokens from the City's past along with festive retro décor!
- 3) Curious about the history of Rolling Meadows? Join the RM Historical Society's special presentation from Esther Perica, author of the 1979 book, *They Took the Challenge – the Story of Rolling Meadows*. Esther will share her story and answer questions about RM life through the decades on Sunday, December 4th, 2:00 pm, at the RM Library's Community Room. For more information, contact the RM Historical Society at 847-577-7086.
- 4) The Rolling Meadows Police Department will be holding their annual Holiday Food Drive on Saturday, December 3rd, from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Rolling Meadows Jewel/Osco parking lot on Kirchoff Road. Help them "Fill the Hummer to Haul Away Hunger" to benefit area food pantries. For a list of requested donations or for more information, visit cityrm.org or the Police Department's and City Facebook pages.

- 5) City Hall and Public Works will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Refuse collection will be delayed one day. Thursday routes will be collected Friday; Friday routes will be collected Saturday.
- 6) The Rolling Meadows Police Department will be participating in the Thanksgiving STEP Campaign from November 18th to the 28th. 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. Help us keep our City a safe place to live, work and play!

2) **October Financial Report**

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

3) **December 6, 2022 City Council Draft Agenda**

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the following:

City Manager Rob Sabo reviewed the items that are currently on the December 6, 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 Vinezeano requested that tobacco licensing procedures be added to a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

Alderman Budmats requested that vaping also be added to the tobacco Committee of the Whole discussion.

Mayor Gallo wished everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gallo asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Sanoica made the motion and it was seconded by Alderman Vinezeano. A voice vote approved adjournment.

There being no further business, by unanimous consent the City Council meeting was adjourned 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judy Brose, Deputy City Clerk

November 22, 2022 City Council Minutes Approved by Council on December 6, 2022.

Judy Brose

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