

**CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AND
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ragucci called the August 14, 2018, Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:01 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Aldermen were in attendance:

Present: Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Thomas, Vlach, and Mayor Ragucci

Absent: Swartz

Also in attendance were City Clerk M. Shadley, City Administrator A. Marrero, and City Attorney R. Ramello.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 24, 2018

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2018 Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole as amended was made by Alderman Przychodni and seconded by Alderman Esposito.

Alderman Ayes: Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Thomas, and Vlach

Alderman Nays: None

Motion passed.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

VII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA

1. Payment of City Bills: August 14, 2018 In The Amount Of \$176,790.27.

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2. Resolution No. 18-17: A Resolution Authorizing And Approving An Agreement Between The City Of Oakbrook Terrace And The DuPage Convention And Visitor's Bureau For Professional Services To Promote Tourism And Provide Marketing And Administrative Services Related Thereto For The City For Fiscal Year 18-19.

Motion to approve all the items contained on the Consent Agenda for August 14, 2018 as presented was made by Alderman Vlach and seconded by Alderman Thomas.

**Alderman Ayes: Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Thomas, and Vlach
Alderman Nays: None**

Motion passed.

VIII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None.

IX. RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion to recess to the Committee of the Whole portion of this meeting was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Esposito.

**Alderman Ayes: Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Thomas, and Vlach
Alderman Nays: None**

Motion passed.

X. MAYOR RAGUCCI

Mayor Ragucci stated the National Night Out held on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 had great attendance. Mayor Ragucci thanked Officer DeMario for all her efforts in coordinating the event. Mayor Ragucci noted the event improves every year and he looks forward to its continued success. Mayor Ragucci said the Historical Society held an open house the same evening, which was also very successful.

XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

1. Crime Free Rental Housing Program.

Mayor Ragucci asked for the Council's input on the proposed crime free rental housing ordinance. Alderman Esposito asked if the seminar would be mandatory for all landlords. Mayor Ragucci replied the City can make the seminar mandatory. Mayor Ragucci added this is something the Council can discuss. Alderman Esposito said he

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believes the residents would support this ordinance based upon the discussions from past town halls. Alderman Esposito asked when the proposed ordinance would be effective. City Attorney Ramello replied 10 days after its passage. Alderman Przychodni asked how the landlords would be informed about the new ordinance. City Attorney Ramello replied the City already has a rental license program in place so this information would help in publicizing the information to the landlords. City Attorney Ramello explained that one of the purposes of the crime free housing seminars is to educate landlords on the warning signs to look for before a problem becomes a crisis. Alderman Esposito said the proposed ordinance is in the best interest of the City.

Alderman Greco said he supported the proposed ordinance, but would like the ordinance to be tiered so that the responsible landlords are not penalized for their properties. Alderman Greco suggested that only landlords with a violation be required to attend the educational seminar. Alderman Thomas, Alderman Vlach, and Alderman Przychodni support the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Ragucci suggested January 1, 2019 as the effective date of the crime free rental housing program in order to give the landlords time to implement the new program. Alderman Greco asked how the Council would be updated on the status of the crime free rental housing program. Mayor Ragucci replied the Police Department will report any violations to the Council. City Attorney Ramello noted the Police Chief has three (3) enforcement alternative avenues depending upon the nature of the violation. First, the Police Chief may compose an abatement plan with the landlord. Second, for more serious cases, the Police Chief may take the violation to administrative adjudication. Third, for really problematic violations, the Police Chief may take them up with the DuPage County Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

The Council concurred to modify the proposed ordinance to only require landlords to attend an educational seminar after the first violation. The City Council directed City Attorney Ramello to amend the proposed ordinance to include this change for the next consent agenda.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Alderman Esposito asked if Spring Road was included in the resurfacing project because he received a complaint from a resident at 1S055 Spring Road about their vehicle bottoming out on the apron. Marrero replied she will look into this. Alderman Greco asked if the grass will be restored after the residential resurfacing project is completed. Marrero replied the contractor will restore the grass areas. Alderman Thomas suggested the holiday light decorating contest take place this year. Alderman Przychodni noted the balconies on multi-family buildings should be included as well. Alderman Greco recommended the winners be announced during the holiday party. Alderman Vlach said staff did a good job with National Night Out this year.

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XIII. CITY ATTORNEY RAMELLO

None.

XIV. CITY CLERK SHADLEY

None.

XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR MARRERO

None.

XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Motion to reconvene the City Council meeting was made by Alderman Vlach and seconded by Alderman Thomas.

**Alderman Ayes: Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Thomas, and Vlach
Alderman Nays: None**

Motion passed.

XVII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Esposito and seconded by Alderman Greco at 7:29PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted,

Aileen Haslett
Recording Secretary