

**CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AND  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Mayor Esposito called the November 10, 2020, Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00P.M.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the following Council members were in attendance:

Present: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, Vlach, and Acting Mayor Esposito  
Absent: None

Also, in attendance were City Clerk M. Shadley, City Administrator A. Marrero, Assistant to the Mayor and City Administrator M. Sarallo, Building and Zoning Administrator M. Dragan, Finance Coordinator J. Haug, and City Attorney R. Ramello.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Acting Mayor Esposito 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 October 27, 2020

**Motion to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2020 Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole as presented was made by Alderman Beckwith and seconded by Alderman Greco.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Resident Bruce Almeroth thanked the Council for their donation for the Stella May Swartz School playground. Almeroth stated his grandchildren enjoy the upgraded playground.

**VII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Payment of City Bills: November 10, 2020 In The Amount Of \$127,314.22.

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2. Ordinance 20-42: An Ordinance Increasing The Number Of Class “L” Liquor Licenses By One (1) Pursuant To The Provisions Of Title XI (Business Regulations); Chapter 111 (Food And Beverages); Subchapter *Alcoholic Liquor Control*, Section 111.012 (Number Of Licenses In Each License Classification), Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Oakbrook Terrace (LUMA LLC d/b/a Lou Malnati’s Pizzeria)

**Motion to approve all the items contained on the Consent Agenda as presented for November 11, 2020 was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Barbari.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**VIII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Ordinance 20-43: An Ordinance To Approve And Authorize The Waiver Of The Special Use Permit Fee For The Board Of Education Of School District 45.

**Motion to discuss Ordinance 20-43: An Ordinance To Approve And Authorize The Waiver Of The Special Use Permit Fee For The Board Of Education Of School District 45 was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Barbari.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

*Alderman Vlach expressed his concern that 73% of real estate taxes already go to the schools and opposed waiving the special permit fee. Alderman Barbari, Alderman Beckwith, Alderman Greco, Alderman Przychodni, and Alderman Rada supported the fee waiver.*

**Motion to approve Ordinance 20-43: An Ordinance To Approve And Authorize The Waiver Of The Special Use Permit Fee For The Board Of Education Of School District 45 was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Barbari.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni, Rada  
Nays: Vlach**

**Motion passed.**

**IX. RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

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**Motion to recess to the Committee of the Whole portion of this meeting was made by Alderman Przychodni and seconded by Alderman Rada.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**X. ACTING MAYOR ESPOSITO**

Acting Mayor Esposito offered his condolences to the family of Elaine DeLuca who recently passed away. Elaine DeLuca was a long-time resident of Oakbrook Terrace and worked for the City for over 23 years.

Acting Mayor Esposito updated the City Council on the latest COVID-19 statistics and noted the City will enter into Tier 2 resurgence mitigations on November 11, 2020. Currently, Region 8, which includes DuPage and Kane Counties, is at 14.2% positivity rate. Tier 2 resurgence mitigations further restrict the number of people who can be gathered together at restaurants, social gatherings, and recreational activities. To date there are 95 reported COVID-19 cases in Oakbrook Terrace. Acting Mayor Esposito recommended the City Council return to Zoom meetings for the last two (2) meetings of 2020, due to size restrictions under Governor Pritzker's order. Acting Mayor Esposito thanked Alderman Beckwith for suggesting the Christmas Luminary program. Resident Tracy Caslin will be the task force captain for the program and will be recruiting other residents to provide assistance. Acting Mayor Esposito invited everyone to attend the Veteran's Day Ceremony on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 11AM in the Council Chambers.

**XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS**

**1. Renewal of Property, Casualty and Workers Compensation Insurance for 2021.**

Assistant to the Mayor and City Administrator Sarallo noted the City's broker, Assurance, recently merged with a larger broker, Marsh and McLennan Agency. Assurance secured insurance coverage options for 2021. The City's property and casualty insurance came in \$6,135 lower than current year with a quote provided by Travelers's who the City has used in the past. The City's cyber insurance policy will be \$3,234 higher than the current year, due to industry-wide increases.

The workers compensation insurance coverage provided by the Illinois Public Risk Fund (IPRF) increased by \$115,289 over the current year. This increase is a result of existing claims over the past six (6) years. In order to offset some of this increase IPRF is offering a \$7,087 safety grant and a one-time \$2,444 stimulus grant. Also, the City has the option to participate in health and wellness incentives which could lower premiums by about \$31,824. Acting Mayor Esposito noted with the IPRF incentives, the City could get back \$41,355.

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The Council concurred to place this on the next consent agenda.

2. Letter of Recommendation-1S183 Summit Avenue.

Building and Zoning Administrator Dragan noted at the August 25, 2020 meeting the City Council granted an extension for a fence installation by November 1, 2020 at 1S183 Summit Avenue. The property owner recently informed the Building and Zoning Department that the fence company was unable to install the fence by November 1, 2020 due to the COVID-19 building material shortage. Michelle Leibrock, the property owner's representative, addressed the Council and said the tenant is in the building and hopes the fence delay does not impede the opening of the business.

The Council concurred to recommend an extension for the fence installation until April of 2021. The Council concurred to place this extension on the next consent agenda.

3. Letter of Recommendation-18W331 15<sup>th</sup> Street -Stevenson Elementary School.

Building and Zoning Administrator Dragan stated a public hearing was held before the Planning and Zoning on November 3, 2020 to discuss the parking lot improvements at Stevenson Elementary School. Stevenson Elementary School is proposing to expand the existing parking lot around the school by adding more impervious surfaces on the south, east, and west sides of the building. The new pavement resurfacing totals 15,392 square feet and 23 new parking spots are proposed.

Alderman Rada asked if a water run-off study was completed for the improvements. Ben Bercher of Wold Architects and Engineers stated the civil engineers are reviewing the additional impervious surfaces and coordinating with the DuPage County Stormwater permitting process. Building and Zoning Administrator Dragan noted this will be addressed during the building permit process.

The Council concurred to place this on the next consent agenda.

4. Presentation by Foster & Foster for the Actuarial Valuation For FY 2020.

Heidi Andorfer, of Foster and Foster, said the total accrued liability is \$27.8 million which increased 6% from last year's \$26.2 million. This increase was expected as the active officers continue to earn service in the fund and also additional officers were added to the fund. The plan experienced a return of 2.2%, which was below the goal assumption of 6.5%. This loss will be smoothed over a period of five (5) years. The fund currently has about \$14.8 million in assets and with the \$27.8 million accrued liability, the unfunded liability is \$13 million. The unfunded liability represents the liability that has been earned but not yet paid for by the City. Currently the Police Pension is at a 53% funded status, which is an improvement over the prior year's 51.9%. The City should continue to see the funded status increase every year.

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Andorfer noted the actuarial required contribution for the 2020 levy is \$1,563,231, which is about a 4.6% increase over last year. This increase was necessary because no officers retired last year, and the State of Illinois expanded Tier 2 retiree benefits in December 2019.

Andorfer noted the biggest thing that is going to change the way the fund earns income is the consolidation that was recently passed that will take effect in two (2) years. With the consolidation the 6.5% estimated rate of return will improve because investments will be less restricted. Alderman Rada asked with the upcoming consolidation if the City will retain control over the fund the way it is now. Andorfer replied no with respect to investments. However, there will still be a local board that will make decisions regarding disabilities and other matters.

5. 2020 Property Tax Levy Determination/Police Pension Municipal Compliance Report.

Finance Coordinator Haug noted the proposed 2020 tax levy determination is \$1,051,890. This figure was calculated using last year's extended levy multiplied by the consumer price index of 2.3%. Also, the estimated assessed value of the new construction is also factored into this calculation. The actuarial recommendation for the police pension is \$1,563,231. Under the locally imposed tax cap, the City can only levy \$1,051,890. The difference of \$511,341 will have to be funded by the City. Beginning in 2016, State law requires the full funding of the actuarial recommendation for the Police Pension or the City could face reductions in state-shared taxes.

The Council concurred to place the proposed levy for consideration and approval at the Tuesday, December 8, 2020 meeting.

**XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Alderman Rada expressed disappointment over having to go back to restrictions. Alderman Barbari welcomed Alderman Przychodni back. Alderman Greco said the Dorothy Drennon improvements are coming along well. Alderman Greco expressed disappointment that the City has to limit the restaurants indoor dining, but there is not much we can do. Alderman Beckwith noted a Household Hazardous Waste day is taking place this Saturday, November 14, 2020 at the DuPage County complex from 8AM to 3PM. Alderman Przychodni said it was good to be back and shared that he is also concerned about the restaurants during this time. Acting Mayor Esposito asked everyone to continue to support local businesses.

**XIII. CITY ATTORNEY RAMELLO**

None.

**XIV. CITY CLERK SHADLEY**

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None.

**XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR A. MARRERO**

None.

**XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

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

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**XVII. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURN**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Rada  
7:47PM.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted,

Aileen Haslett, Recording Secretary