

City of Oakbrook Terrace

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City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 12, 2023
7:00 PM

City Council Board Room

Oakbrook Terrace City Council

Mayor Paul Esposito

City Clerk Michael Shadley

Ward 1

Alderman Charlie Barbari

Alderman Joseph Beckwith

Ward 2

Alderman Frank Vlach

Alderman Dennis Greco

Ward 3

Alderman Bob Rada

Alderwoman Mary Fitzgerald

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Esposito called the September 12, 2023, 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 City Council members in attendance:

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

Also in attendance: City Administrator J. Ritz, Assistant to the City Administrator A. Raffel, Community Development Director M. Headley, and City Attorney M. Durkin.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Esposito led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion to remove Action Item/Consent Agenda item #4 Ordinance No. 23-25: An Ordinance Amending The Code Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois, Regarding Exterior Surface Protective Treatment, was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Beckwith. Roll call vote was taken.

Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS

1. Special City Council Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2023
2. Regular Meeting Minutes of August 22, 2023

Motion to approve the Minutes of August 19, 2023, Special City Council Meeting and August 22, 2023, Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole, as presented, was made by Alderman Beckwith, and seconded by Alderwoman Fitzgerald. Roll call was taken.

Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA

1. Payment of City Bills: September 12, 2023, In the Amount Of \$336,153.81
2. Resolution No.23-10: A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Payment Of Estimate Of Payment Number Five For The Spring Road Tributary Restoration Project By The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois

3. Ordinance No. 23-24: Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of A Notice Of Award And The Execution Of A Contract Between The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois, And Atrium, Inc. For The Spring Road Tributary Supplemental Landscaping Project

Mayor Esposito asked the City Council for a motion to approve all the items contained in the Consent Agenda. Motion to approve items #1, 2, and 3 in the Action Items/Consent Agenda of September 12, 2023, Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole, was made by Alderman Vlach and seconded by Alderman Beckwith. Roll call was taken:

Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach
 Nays: None
 Absent: 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 Rada and seconded by Alderwoman Fitzgerald. An acclamation vote was taken:

Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

Motion passed.

X. MAYOR ESPOSITO

1. Mayor Esposito reminded City Council of the Special City Council meeting to be held on September 13, 2023, in partnership with Northern Illinois University for the next step in the City’s Strategic Planning process. The meeting will be held at the Hilton Chicago/Oak Brook Suites at 10 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, starting at 4:00 p.m. and going to 9:00 p.m.
2. Mayor Esposito provided a quick update on the Storm Sewer Project.
3. Mayor Esposito expressed his condolences to the family of Alderman Robert Przychodni who recently passed away.
4. Mayor Esposito stated this Friday would be the last Summer concert with Full Volume and Kashmir who will be playing. Mayor Esposito thanked all the sponsors; Consume, WildFire Harley Davidson, and Lakeside Bank. The Mayor proceeded to then thank all the vendors who participated; Oakbrook Terrace Lions Club, Gulliver’s Pizza and Pub, Tapicozza, Hot Dog Joe, Alaina Marie’s Italian Ice, and the Villa Park VFW Post 2801.
5. Mayor Esposito thanked all the staff who did a great job with the set up for all the concerts; Public Services, the Police Department, and Assistant to the City Administrator Raffel for their time and dedication to the Summer Concert Series.

XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

1. Police Purchase of a 2023 Chevrolet Silverado:

Mayor Esposito stated the purchase of the 2023 Chevrolet Silverado was discussed during the March budget meeting and purchased with Capital Project Funds. The Police Department has the vehicle in their procession. Mayor Esposito stated that the vehicle needed to be outfitted with lights and sirens prior to being rotated into the fleet.

2. Police Purchase of Two (2) Ford Explorers:

Mayor Esposito stated that the two (2) Ford Explorers are replacing the aging Police Department squad cars with 100,000 miles and these cars were presented and approved at the budget hearings.

3. Request Of Fee Waiver For Permit Fees Associated With The Replacement Of The Terrace View Park Playground:

Mayor Esposito asked the City Council to review the memo prepared by Executive Director of Parks Shannon Elsey to consider waiving the 1% cost of the permit fees to replace Terrace View Park Playground. He stated that historically, we have waived the fees for the Park District. Alderman Greco said he is enthusiastic about partnering with the Park District as the relationship between the city and the park district hasn't been the best. Mayor Esposito stated he would direct Community Development Director Headley to waive the permit fees.

4. Draft Ordinance Amending The Provisions Of Title Xi (Business Regulations); Chapter 124 (Video Gaming); Subchapter 124.22 (Number Of Licenses) Of The Code Of Oakbrook Terrace To Increase The Maximum Number Of Video Gaming Location Licenses And The Maximum Number Of Video Gaming Terminal Licenses (Silver Oak The Terrace, Inc., dba Tracy's, 17W500 22nd Street):

Mayor Esposito asked the City Council to review the draft ordinance providing a gaming license for Silver Oak the Terrace, Inc., d/b/a Tracy's. He explained that the new owners acquired the location in April of 2023, completed some remodeling, and are ready to open for business. T&T Management Group CEO Barbara Barclay gave a brief presentation of the business model for Tracy's. Alderman Greco asked if they had secured ownership or a lease on the building and if they received confirmation of their liquor license. Mayor Esposito explained that City Council is not in total agreement with the issuance of another gaming license and that this matter will be placed on the next agenda as New Business and for City Council to take a roll call vote on the license.

5. Five-Year (5) Agreement With Axon For The Purchase Of Twenty-One (21) Body-Worn Cameras:

Mayor Esposito explained to the City Council that this item was discussed at the budget meetings and was an anticipated expense due to the new SAFE-T Act legislation. He stated that Police Chief Calvello received a grant to offset the initial cost of the cameras and that he is looking to apply again to assist with the ongoing cost of software subscriptions. Mayor Esposito stated this is an information-only item.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Alderman Fitzgerald stated that she and Alderman Rada met with the residents at Versailles on the Lakes and Berkshire and are now reaching out to constituents on Nimitz Road to learn their matters of interest and to bring their notes on these discussions to the Strategic Planning meeting.

Alderman Barbari thanked Finance Director Hoffman for his efforts to obtain the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

Alderman Greco seconded the thank you to Finance Director Hoffman. Alderman Greco asked about the brush pick up by Public Services from a few days ago. He also asked about the sewer marked on Nimitz Road and asked for clarification related to the storm sewer project. Alderman Greco also expressed his condolences to Alderman Przychodni's family.

Alderman Beckwith provided his condolences to Alderman Przychodni's family. Alderman Beckwith stated that Nicor struck a neighbor's gas pipe, and that Nicor was out quickly and was very receptive and great to work with.

Alderman Rada stated he had breakfast with the Illinois Office of Tourism Director Daniel Thomas on Wednesday to discuss tourism in the area. Alderman Rada provided statistics regarding tourism's revenue and its benefits for the city. He also stated that DuPage County is the state's largest suburban hotel market and is ranked #1 in the state for outdoor recreation. Alderman Rada also recommended for everyone to attend the Chicago Curling competition in Villa Park.

XIII. CITY ATTORNEY DURKIN

None

XIV. CITY CLERK SHADLEY

None.

XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR RITZ

City Administrator Ritz gave an update on the Finance Department's audit and congratulated them on the award. He also provided an update on the painting of the water tower, which is scheduled to hopefully, start in 4-6 weeks. City Administrator Ritz advised the landscaping for the Streambank project has been ordered and the replanting will be starting sometime next week.

City Administrator Ritz stated the City of Oakbrook Terrace hosted the Greater Oak Brook Chamber of Commerce meeting at Drury Lane and provided City Council with the report presented from Community Development Director Headley.

City Administrator Ritz took a moment to ask everyone to pay tribute and remember all the heroes from September 11th on the 22nd anniversary of this horrific event.

XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Motion to reconvene the City Council meeting was made by Alderman Beckwith and seconded by Alderman Rada. An acclamation vote was taken:

Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

XVII. OLD BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Barbari and seconded by Alderman Greco at 7:41 p.m.

Acclamation vote made with all Ayes.

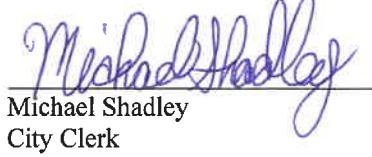
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy Raffel, Recording Secretary

Attested:



Michael Shadley
City Clerk