

MINUTES
LELAND GROVE CITY COUNCIL
INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE CENTER . 2000 CHATHAM ROAD . LELAND GROVE, ILLINOIS

The Regular Meeting of the Leland Grove City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on 28 May 2013 by Mayor Bangert. A quorum was present. The following members were present or absent as indicated.

Rex Bangert, Mayor	P	Diana Hetherington, Ward I	P
Kathleen Alcorn, Clerk	P	Jim Turner, Ward I	P
Matt Jennings, Treasurer	P	Jill Egizii, Ward II	P
Saul Morse, Attorney	P	Jim Moll, Ward II	P
Richard Stone, City Administrator	P	Donald LoBue, Ward III	P
Mark Gleason, Police Chief	P	Paul LaMantia, Ward III	P

A motion was made by Alderman LaMantia to approve the minutes for 23 April 2013 Regular Meeting, as amended. Alderman Egizii made a second motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye – Turner, Egizii, Moll, LoBue, Hetherington
Present - X
Nay – X
Absent – X

TREASURER'S REPORT

A review was given of the monthly report from Perrino and Associates.

A motion was made by Alderman Hetherington to approve unpaid warrants from the general fund, P-05-889, in the corrected amount of \$16271.08. Alderman Egizii made the second motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye – Moll, LaMantia, LoBue, Hetherington, Turner, Egizii
Nay – X
Absent – X

A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to approve unpaid MFT warrants, P-05-890, in the amount of \$772.11. A second motion was made by Alderman Hetherington. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye – LaMantia, LoBue, Hetherington, Turner, Egizii, Moll
Nay – X
Absent – X

A motion was made by Alderman Hetherington to ratify paid warrants, P-05-891, in the amount of \$32,193.46. A second motion was made by Alderman Egizii. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye – LoBue, Hetherington, Turner, Egizii, Moll, LaMantia
Nay – X
Absent – X

CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Andersons of 2049 Huntleigh were not aware of any permitting or formal procedures regarding the installation of a parking pad along the road. Other residents on their street and other parts of Leland Grove have such parking pads. After complaints were made and the project was brought to the Council's attention, the Andersons were asked to cease the installation of the parking pad until they presented it to the Council for decision. Because there is not a current ordinance or standard set for the parking pad and also because other pads are installed in the same manner in the area, the Council unanimously agreed to allow the Andersons to proceed, pending letters submitted from immediate neighbors on each side and directly across the street. The letters will need to be submitted to City Administrator Stone stating that there is no issue. Alderman LoBue asked the Andersons to take care not to let the pad interfere with drainage along the road. Mayor Bangert said that they may proceed if they take responsibility for the replacement of the pad if the City of Springfield or Leland Grove ever need to dig in the area. Further discussion will take place in the Council to standardize and create a permit for these parking pads.

BUILDING AND ZONING PERMITS AND LEGAL ACTIONS

City Attorney Morse reviewed current building and zoning permits along with any current legal actions.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- Building and Zoning: Alderman Turner.
 - There is not a current ordinance from other municipalities regarding alternative energy that is satisfactory to Alderman Turner. Alderman Turner will draft an ordinance from scratch once planting season is over.
- Police and Public Safety: Alderman Egizii.
 - Alderman Egizii commended the LGPD on their great work, as always. Recognition was given to D/C Ryan for apprehending a burglar while on bike duty.
- Health Sanitation and Environment: Alderman LaMantia.
 - No report.

- Finance and Revenue: Alderman Hetherington. (As reported from Alderman Hetherington's notes).
 - The Illinois Municipal League web site shows the state is behind in their March through May payments making the state behind by \$47,524.86.
- Public Ways and Property: Alderman Moll.
 - An update on the Long Range Plan Committee was given. The committee will meet with the Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission (SSCRPC) to go over additional changes. SSCRPC will then give a final presentation to the Leland Grove Council and an additional presentation to the residents of Leland Grove. It will then be up to the Council to adopt the Long Range Plan. Materials regarding the Long Range Plan will be posted on the Leland Grove website.
 - Alderman Moll predicted that the road repairs on Chatham Road will take-up much of the FY2014 budget. Alderman Moll requested permission from the Council to meet with the Leland Grove City Engineer, Marc Anderson, along with Nate Bottom from the City of Springfield to gain a better understanding on the actual overall cost of the project. The Council agreed that this effort is in the best interest of the City of Leland Grove.
 - Alderman Moll noted that there are three drainage areas that should be addressed in addition to the Chatham Road project.
 - First, on Cherry Road, along the north side of the street along Bates.
 - Second, which should be the first priority due safety issues, is the south side of Laurel across from Illini. Alderman Moll met with City Administrator Stone and Alderman Moll believes that the City of Leland Grove has the ability to correct this issue in-house. The project will take approximately one week and the road will need to be closed during this time. The City of Leland Grove will do the excavating and fill. The adjacent property owners will then be responsible for doing the final grading and fill to their own personal needs and specifications. Mayor Bangert suggested that the City of Leland Grove may be able to get help from Woodside because the project will need to be completed as soon as it is started.
 - Third, on Cherry Road, the north side, towards Illini and Outer Park. Alderman Moll will discuss this area with the immediate neighbors before proposing a solution to the Council.
- Human Resources: Alderman LoBue.
 - Alderman LoBue received the bids for the proposed health insurance which will save the City of Leland Grove approximately \$32,000 per year. All of the bids were the same, as predicted, and reflect a reduction in price for both the employees and for the City. Alderman LoBue would like to meet with the Personnel Committee, consisting of Alderman LoBue, Alderman LaMantia, and Alderman Turner to review in further detail the options that are being offered. A special Council will then meet at 6:30 p.m., 11 June 2013, at the Instructional Resource Center, 2000 Chatham Road, to approve a health care plan for the full-time employees of the City of Leland Grove.

OLD BUSINESS

- The 2014 budget was discussed. Alderman Hetherington met with Mario Perrino, City Treasurer Matt Jennings, and Alderman LoBue to discuss any cuts that could be made with the final draft. The final draft was over \$1 million in operating costs with only an approximate \$800K in actual funds. The Chatham Road repairs will be supplemented with MFT funds. Alderman LoBue made a motion to approve the 2014 FY budget as amended, reflecting the following cuts: \$32,000 in savings from the health insurance plan, \$5000 in legal, \$1000 in signage, \$1000 in snow removal, and \$1000 for street sweeping. Mayor Bangert requested that the Council takes care on the frequency of calls and issues brought to City Attorney Morse. A second motion was made by Alderman Egizii. By roll call vote the motion carried:
 - Aye – LaMantia, LoBue, Hetherington, Turner, Egizii, Moll
 - Nay – X
 - Absent – X

NEW BUSINESS

- A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to approve Liquor License No. 61 to Illini Country Club. This is an annual license valid through 30 June 2014. A second motion was made by Alderman Hetherington. By roll call vote the motion carried:
 - Aye – Moll, LaMantia, LoBue, Hetherington, Turner, Egizii
 - Nay – X
 - Absent – X
- Ward I Alderman Turner, Ward II Alderman Moll, Ward III Alderman LoBue were all sworn into office by Mayor Bangert for their new terms ending in 2017.

At 7:18 p.m., the Council adjourned by a unanimous “aye.”

Kathleen Alcorn
City Clerk
END 28 MAY 2013 MINUTES