

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 6:02 p.m. on 17 December 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	John Kniery, 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
Deputy Chief Ryan	P	Paul LaMantia, Ward III	P

John Kniery was officially sworn-in as the new alderman for Ward I.

A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to approve the minutes from the 26 November 2013 Regular Meeting. Alderman LoBue made a second motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye – Moll, Egizii, LoBue, LaMantia
Present – Hetherington, Kniery
Nay – X
Absent – X

A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to approve the 2014 City Council Meeting Calendar. Alderman Hetherington made a second motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Alderman Hetherington to approve unpaid warrants from the general fund, P-12-910, in the amount of \$25,048.64. Alderman Egizii made the second motion. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to approve unpaid MFT warrants, P-12-911, in the amount of \$60.88. A second motion was made by Alderman Hetherington. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to ratify paid warrants, P-12-912, in the amount of \$37,786.52. A second motion was made by Alderman Hetherington. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

LEGAL ACTIONS

City Attorney Morse reviewed current legal actions.

A motion was made by Alderman Egizii to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance 393 which reflects an increase of 4.9996%. A second motion was made by Alderman Kniery. By roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

- Finance and Revenue: Alderman Hetherington
 - Feedback from the library issue was distributed.
- Health and Sanitation: Paul LaMantia
 - Alderman LaMantia said that he has received feedback regarding the new website layout.
- Police and Public Safety: Alderman Egizii
 - A monthly police report summary was distributed.
 - Please arrange not to have packages sitting outside for too long.
- Human Resources: Alderman LoBue

- No report.
- Public Ways and Property: Alderman Moll
 - A schedule has not yet been established for intersection improvements.
 - Estimates are approximately \$6500 which do not fit with our current budget. Additional estimates will be accepted. If this issue is not addressed soon, the overall cost will increase to cover the additional repairs needed. It was discussed that the project could be paid for through the MFT funds. The project could take place in the spring. Alderman LoBue noted that procurement procedures because the cost will be over \$5000.
 - Alderman Moll will attend the Park Board meeting in January. Alderman Moll hopes to acquire start-up funds from the Park District and also the City of Springfield for the pedestrian sidewalk from Illini to Washington Park. Alderman Moll has met with representatives of Illini who are supportive of the project. This is an item that received the most favor from the Long Range Plan. Start-up funds will be necessary for grant applications.
- Building and Zoning: Alderman Kniery
 - City Administrator Stone provided a report of permits issued.

OLD BUSINESS

- Alderman Hetherington distributed an update regarding the stop sign at Laurel and Noble. The engineer for the City of Springfield suggested that stop signs be installed for safety issues. Because the intersection is shared with the City of Springfield, approval is needed on both sides. The City of Leland Grove has approved the installation. However, Alderman Joe McMenamin from Ward 7 of the City of Springfield, requested signatures from Alderman Hetherington from both Leland Grove and Springfield residents. Alderman McMenamin told Alderman Hetherington that he is not familiar with the area. Alderman Hetherington and Alderman Egizii will meet to discuss other means of implementation of the safety issue.
- Alderman Moll asked Alderman Egizii if anything further has happened with the possible purchase of the Instructional Resource Center. Because Jennifer Gill is the new superintendent and is currently in Bloomington, it will be most likely in June before a follow-up discussion can be made.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

At 6:26 p.m., the Council adjourned by a unanimous "aye."

Kathleen Alcorn
City Clerk
END 17 DECEMBER 2013 MINUTES