

Regular Meeting Minutes
City of Leland Grove
Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Meeting Call to Order: Mayor Bangert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Roll Call was taken by Clerk Gray with those present (P), excused (E) or absent (A) as indicated:

- Mary Jo Bangert, Mayor (P)
- Brian Miller, Treasurer (P)
- Aimee Gray, City Clerk (P)
- Jim Bray, Alderperson Ward 1 (P)
- Diana Hetherington, Alderperson Ward 1 (P)
- John Slayton, Alderperson Ward 2 (P)
- Greg Gaz, Alderperson Ward 2 (P)
- Lance Cull, Alderperson Ward 3 (E)
- Todd Lafrenz, Alderperson Ward 3 (P)

A quorum was present.

Also present:

- Dan Ryan, Chief of Police
- Tyler Lainer, City Administrator
- Rob Cross, City Attorney

Minutes Approval: Alderperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Alderperson Slayton to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 21, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: City Treasurer Miller reported he reviewed the monthly financial statements and expenses.

- Alderperson Slayton moved, seconded by Alderperson Hetherington, to approve P-11-701, Unpaid Warrants General Fund in the amount of \$21,242.29. The motion carried unanimously.
- Alderperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Alderperson Lafrenz, to approve P-11-702, Unpaid Warrants MFT, in the amount of \$423.08. The motion carried unanimously.
- Alderperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Alderperson Slayton, to approve P-11-703, Paid Warrants General fund in the amount of \$104,515.23. The motion carried unanimously.

The current financial statement shows \$1,336,513.48 as a total fund balance on October 31, 2024

New Business:

Aldersperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Aldersperson Gaz to waive the three readings of the draft Appropriation Ordinance for the year ending May 31, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Aldersperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Aldersperson Slayton to approve an ordinance making appropriation of sums of money necessary to defray all necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Leland Grove for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2025. Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance 464 was adopted.

Aldersperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Aldersperson Gaz to waive the three readings of the draft Tax Levy Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Aldersperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Aldersperson Gaz to approve an ordinance for the City of Leland Grove to levy taxes. Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance 465 was adopted.

Aldersperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Aldersperson Gaz to nominate Stephanie Shay as a new Tree Board member. Motion carried unanimously.

Aldersperson Slayton moved, seconded by Aldersperson Gaz to approve the proposed regular meeting dates for the City of Leland Grove Council in 2025 including January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22, May 20, June 24, July 22, August 26, September 23, October 28, November 18 and December 16. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

- A. Leland Grove Pocket Park - Issue is being tabled.
 - a. Resident Mark Birtch, 1937 South Bates Avenue
 - i. Concerns with safety
 - ii. Questions the need for the additional park
 - iii. Looking for beautification of the space
 - b. Resident Ademole Adeniji, 1918 South Noble Avenue
 - i. Inquired about City's insurance coverage limitations
 - ii. Will provide the Council with signatures of those wanting the park
 - iii. Interested in beautification
- B. Memorial Benches - Aldersperson Hetherington reported the bench design has been narrowed down to include brown in color, of a smaller size and arm rests.

City Administrator's Report:

The Zoning Board of Appeals met earlier in the month. The group decided to approve the variance as requested.

Legal Updates and Actions: No report.

Mayor's Comments: No report.

Department Reports:

- Public Ways and Property: Alderperson Lafrenz reported.
 - A Drainage Committee meeting will be held the week of November 18.
 - The sidewalk of concern at the last meeting has been removed.
- Human Resources: No report.
- Health and Sanitation: Alderperson Hetherington reported,
 - 960 trees on Leland Grove right of ways that need to be monitored and maintained.
 - Arbor Day celebration was a success.
- Building Permits and Zoning: No report.
- Police Department: Chief Ryan reported,
 - Two part-time officers resigned.
 - Looking into the possibility of a scooter ordinance for the City
 - Toys for Tots collection on December 15 from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.
- Finance and Revenue: No report.
- Communication: No report.

Adjournment: Alderperson Hetherington moved, seconded by Alderperson Gaz, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Leland Grove City Council will be held at the Instructional Resource Center at 2000 Chatham Road on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise communicated.

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