

The City of Lake Forest  
CITY COUNCIL  
***Proceedings of the Monday, October 16, 2017***  
City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers, 7:55pm

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Honorable Mayor Lansing called the meeting to order at 7:55pm, and City Clerk Margaret Boyer called the roll of Council members.

Present: Honorable Mayor Lansing, Alderman Beidler, Alderman Morris, Alderman Newman, Alderman Rummel, Alderman Tack, Alderman Reisenberg and Alderman Buschmann.

Absent: Alderman Moreno

Also present were: Robert Kiely Jr., City Manager; Catherine Czerniak, Director of Community Development, Elizabeth Holleb, Director of Finance; Victor Filippini, City Attorney; Michael Thomas, Director of Public Works; Pete Siebert, Fire Chief; Sally Swarthout, Director of Parks & Recreation; Mike Strong, Assistant to the City Manager along with other members of City Staff.

There were approximately 20 persons present in the Council Chamber.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL 7:55 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by all those present in the Chamber.

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

**COMMENTS BY MAYOR**

Mayor Lansing thanked the League of Women Voters for moderating the Fiscal Management forum held at Gorton on October 3 and the Freight Train Symposium at Trinity University in Bannockburn on October 11.

Mayor Lansing stated that the Public Works Committee will be looking into the City's Noise Ordinance relating to leaf blowers and will report its findings back to the City Council in the coming months.

**COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Robert Kiely reported that the East side Train Station renovation will be complete soon and that the City Council can expect a recap on the financials from this project sometime in November.

City Manager Robert Kiely introduced Michael Thomas, Director of Public Works, who gave an overview of the October 14, 2017 storm flooding event that included short and long term actions by the City and residents, with an emphasis on mitigating flood hazards. Mr. Thomas invited residents to attend a free Lake County Storm Water Management workshop on Thursday, October 19.

City Manager Robert Kiely introduced Sally Swarthout, Director of Parks & Recreation, who provided a recap of Octoberfest. Ms. Swarthout reported that due to lighting, and heavy rains/flooding, the event was cancelled after 2 hours.

**COMMENTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**1. Acknowledge Receipt of the FY2017 Treasurer's Report**

James Morris, Finance Committee Chairman, reported that this item was seen at the Finance Committee meeting and asked if Elizabeth Holleb, Finance Director would recap for the Council. Ms. Holleb reported pursuant to Illinois Statute, a Treasurer's Report must be filed with the City Clerk, the County Clerk, and published in a Lake Forest newspaper within six months after the end of each fiscal year.

Mayor Lansing asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

**COUNCIL ACTION: Acknowledge receipt of the FY2017 Treasurer's Report**

Alderman Morris made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the FY2017 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Alderman Reisenberg. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Tack, Reisenberg and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 7- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**ITEMS FOR OMNIBUS VOTE CONSIDERATION**

- 1. Approval of the October 2, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes**
- 2. Approval of an Ordinance amending City Code Relating to Real Estate Transfer Taxes (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Grant Final Approval)**
- 3. Approval of a Second Amendment to the Water Tower and Ground Lease Agreement between The City of Lake Forest and SprintCom, Inc.**
- 4. Consideration of an Ordinance Approving a Recommendation from the Zoning Board of Appeals. (First Reading, and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**

**COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of the four (4) Omnibus items as presented**

Mayor Lansing asked members of the Council if they would like to remove any item or take it separately. The City Council had discussion on item #1 that included scrivener's errors. Mayor Lansing asked for a motion to approve the Four Omnibus items with corrections.

Alderman Rummel made a motion to approve the four omnibus items as corrected, seconded by Alderman Beidler. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Tack, Reisenberg and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 7- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

*Information such as Purpose and Action Requested, Background/Discussion, Budget/Fiscal Impact, Recommended Action and a Staff Contact as it relates to the Omnibus items can be found on the agenda.*

**ORDINANCES**

- 1. Approval of Ordinance Establishing Administrative Procedures for Assessing and Determining Claims Under the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act (PSEBA)**

DeSha Kalmar, Director of Human Resources, reported that the PCA Committee and City staff recommend first reading and final approval of the ordinance revising administrative procedures for assessing and determining claims under PSEBA. The Public Safety Employee Benefit Act (PSEBA) requires insurance benefits be provided to a public safety employee who suffers a catastrophic injury or is killed in the line of duty. The same benefits may be extended to the spouse and eligible dependents of the employee, provided the conditions established by the Act are met. The City may be required to pay the entire premium of the City's basic health insurance plan for a public safety employee and his/her spouse and eligible dependents for the period of time defined by the Act, if the employee is eligible.

Ms. Kalmar reported that the City is proposing to change the eligibility review process. Under State law, the City has the right to establish an administrative procedure for assessing claims it feels is in the best interests of the City and its residents without acting in a manner inconsistent with the requirements of the Act, including the ability to use home rule authority to enact an ordinance that would determine, assess, and outline the administrative process for assessing eligibility under PSEBA.

Mayor Lansing asked City Council if there were any questions. Seeing none he asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

**COUNCIL ACTION: First Reading and Final Approval of Ordinance Establishing Administrative Procedures for Assessing and Determining Claims Under the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act (PSEBA).**

Alderman Newman made a motion to grant First Reading and Final Approval of Ordinance Establishing Administrative Procedures for Assessing and Determining Claims under the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act (PSEBA), seconded by Alderman Newman. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Tack, Reisenberg and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 7- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Mayor Lansing reported there will be no further business following executive session and asked for a motion.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 1. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 (c), (6), The City Council will be discussing the disposition of property and the consideration for the sale or lease of property owned by the Public Body.**

Alderman Buschmann made a motion to adjourn into executive session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 (c), (6), The City Council will be discussing the disposition of property and the consideration for the sale or lease of property owned by the Public Body and 5ILCS 120/2 (c), (5), The City Council will be discussing the consideration of Land Acquisition, seconded by Alderman Newman. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Tack, Reisenberg and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 7- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

**Adjournment into Executive Session at 8:40 pm**

**RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION** at 9:25 pm

<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>
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There being no further business. Alderman Tack made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Newman. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote at 9:26p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Margaret Boyer, City Clerk

*A video of the City Council meeting is available for viewing at the Lake Forest Library and on file in the Clerk's office at City Hall. You can also view it on the website by visiting [www.cityoflakeforest.com](http://www.cityoflakeforest.com). Click on I Want To, then click on View, then choose Archived Meetings Videos.*