

The City of Lake Forest  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
*Proceedings of the Monday, September 20, 2021*  
City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers  
**REMOTE ACCESS MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: The City Clerk asked for a motion to appoint Alderman Morris as Mayor Pro Tem. Alderman Rummel made a motion to appoint Alderman Morris as Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Alderman Notz. The following voted "Aye": Alderman Morris, Karras, Rummel, Notz, Preschlack, Goshgarian, Buschmann and Weber. The following voted "Nay": None. 8-Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried. Morris called the meeting to order at 6:33pm

Present: Alderman Morris, Alderman Karras, Alderman Rummel, Alderman Notz, Alderman Preschlack, Alderman Goshgarian, Alderman Buschmann and Alderman Weber.

Absent: Honorable Mayor Pandaleon

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was recited.

**REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

**COMMENTS BY MAYOR**

Mayor Pro Tem Morris made the following statement as required by the Open Meetings Act. In accordance with state statute, Mayor Pro Tem Morris has made a determination that it was not practical or prudent to schedule an in-person City Council meeting because of the COVID-19 pandemic, which is why this September 20, 2021 City Council meeting is being held remotely.

**A. Swearing in Firefighter/Paramedic Nick Dovel**

Mayor Pro Tem Morris introduced Fire Chief, Pete Siebert, to present the swearing in of Firefighter/Paramedic, Nick Dovel. Chief Siebert began by thanking the Council and community members who came to support the Fire Department during the 9/11 Ceremony. Chief Siebert then displayed a video of the swearing in of Nick Dovel, and provided extensive background of his work ethic and experience.

**B. Report on General Obligation Refunding Bonds**

Mayor Pro Tem Morris introduced Finance Director, Elizabeth Holleb, to report on the general obligation bond refinancing. Director Holleb provided a brief background, explaining what general obligation refunding is, and how it is similar to the refinancing on a mortgage. She provided a timeline, setting forth specific criteria, to allow the City to proceed with the bond issue. The online auction was held on August 19, 2021, of the 9 bidders, the City was able to get the interest rate to 1.0065%, saving the City \$1.6 million over the life of the 2013 bond issue.

The City Council thanked the Finance department for their work, continuously monitoring the market to provide the City with the best interest rate.

The City Council asked clarifying questions regarding the true interest rate.

**COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER**

**A. Community Spotlight**

**- Dr. Montgomery, Superintendent for Lake Forest School Districts 67 and 115**

City Manager, Jason Wicha introduced the new Lake Forest School Superintendent, by providing a brief history and background on Dr. Montgomery, and welcomed him to provide further comments to share upcoming initiatives in the Lake Forest School district. Dr. Montgomery provided background on his family, and their move to Lake Forest, learning about the community and local traditions. He provided information regarding, in-person school resuming, his entry plan for the school districts and educational philosophy. Dr. Montgomery further provided Elementary School District 67, and High School District 115 statistics from the 2020-2021 school year.

The City Council asked clarifying questions regarding the statistics of current staff members pursuing advanced degrees. The City Council thanked Dr. Montgomery for his work, only having just began his work with the school district.

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

**Members of the public can provide public comment by calling into the following number during the meeting: 847-810-3643**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ITEMS FOR OMNIBUS VOTE CONSIDERATION**

- 1. Approval of September 7, 2021, City Council Meeting Minutes**
- 2. Acknowledge Receipt of the Notification of Sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021**
- 3. Approval of the Purchase of a New Storage Array for the City's Data Center in the Amount of \$54,814 Based on State of Illinois Contract**
- 4. Approval of a 3 Year Renewal Agreement for Microsoft Enterprise Licensing with Dell Marketing L.P. Based on State of Illinois Contract**
- 5. Award of Proposal to Data Works Plus LLC. for the Purchase of a Live Scan Fingerprint System in the amount of \$28,637.00**
- 6. Approval of the Purchase of Computer Workstations, Laptops, Hybrid Tablets, and Rugged Tablets for All City Departments**
- 7. Award of Bid for the 2021 Dickinson Hall Tuck Pointing Project to the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, Bruce Brugioni Construction, in the Amount of \$130,533.47 to Include a 10% Contingency Amount of \$13,053.35 for a Grand Total of \$143,586.82**
- 8. Authorization for the City Manager to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with 20-10 Engineering Group and HOH Group for Facility Mechanical Engineering Services**

9. **Award of Bid for a Three-Year Fire Alarm Testing & Inspection Services Contract to Esscoe, LLC in the Amount of \$30,016**
10. **Approval of a Resolution Committing Local Funds for the 2021 Safe Routes to School Program for The City of Lake Forest Project Grant Application and the Authorization of the City Manager to Execute Related Grant Application Documents**
11. **Consideration of Ordinances Approving Recommendations from the Building Review Board. (First Reading, and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**
12. **Consideration of Ordinances Approving Recommendations from the Zoning Board of Appeals. (First Reading, and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**

**COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of the twelve (12) Omnibus items as presented**

Mayor Pro Tem Morris asked members of the Council if they would like to remove any item or take it separately. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

The City Council had additional discussion regarding item #10.

Alderman Weber made a motion to approve the twelve (12) Omnibus items as presented, seconded by Alderman Notz. The following voted "Aye": Alderman Morris, Karras, Rummel, Notz, Preschlack, Goshgarian, Buschmann and Weber. The following voted "Nay": None. 8-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**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION/COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business Mayor Pro Tem Morris asked for a motion. Alderman Notz made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Rummel. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote at 7:13 pm.

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.*