

PLANO CITY COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 22, 2021

The regular meeting of the Plano City Council was called to order on Monday, March 22, 2021 by Mayor Robert A. Hausler. The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Steve DeBolt	Present	John Fawver	Present
Ben Eaton	Present	Jamal Williams	Present
Tommy Johns	Present	Barb Nadeau	Present
Scott Mulliner	Present	Mike Rennels	Present

There was a quorum.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Alderman Williams, seconded by Alderman Eaton, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 8, 2021.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Rennels, DeBolt, Eaton, Williams, Fawver

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Alderman Williams, seconded by Alderman Nadeau, to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of March 22, 2021.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Rennels, DeBolt, Eaton, Williams, Fawver

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

WARRANTS:

A motion was made by Alderman Fawver, seconded by Alderman Eaton, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated March 22, 2021 in the amount of \$ 93,781.51

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Rennels, DeBolt, Eaton, Williams, Fawver

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

WAGE REPORT: None

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Guests and members of the press were welcomed by Mayor Hausler.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Keith Riddle stated that he did some homework and understand now about the comment section of the agenda pertaining to answering questions and that is not the time for that. He would like a public

forum for questions and answers. He looked at the City Website and the “How Do I” section has a place for questions and answers but it did not work.

Mike Welz handed out information on the Community Garden. He would like to get approval at the next meeting for City services.

Chuck Bane is an 11 year resident, he attended the last meeting for the first time and he did not like what he saw or heard. When people have questions there is no way to ask questions.

John Larocca is a new resident and he came to the meeting to introduce himself, say hi and listen to what is going on in Plano. He is from Carol Stream. Him and his wife were very active, he served 8 years as a trustee in Carol Stream.

Becky Nelson commented that a lawsuit had been filed and asked what is it costing the taxpayers. She questioned if due diligence had been done on the subject matter. She would like to know the details of the lawsuit. She is confused and conflicted since this issue is three years old. Other exceptions have been done in the past such as variances, agreements and negotiations. She is embarrassed by the way things are being handled. With Attorney Grant resigning from his position at the City how does he focus on a lawsuit. The council meetings need to be civil, honest and transparent. We should be spending money on fixing sidewalks, not a lawsuit.

MAYOR’S REPORT: *Bob Hausler*

The Mayor explained the Metra survey. The survey is on the City’s Facebook page. The deadline to complete the survey is March 24, 2021 and asked the Council to complete the survey.

The Mayor participated in a fishing tournament and finished in 12th place out of 92.

Mayor Hausler had applied for a mini grant, Project Wing Span, the grant was received and he received free seeds to plant at Foli Park. Mr. Kurt Dreisilker will be assisting with the planting.

PLANO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: *Deana Lanham*

Ms. Lanham has had requests from 2 new businesses to have ribbon cuttings; one for Healthy Addition and one for Bat Cave Treasures. There will be a ribbon cutting on April 8th at Extreme. The annual dinner will be held on April 16, 2021.

CITY ATTORNEY: *Tom Grant*

Ordinance 2021-2 lease purchase of Toshiba copier

A motion was made by Alderman Eaton, seconded by Alderman Nadeau, to approve an ordinance approving a lease purchase of a Toshiba copier. Alderman Rennels questioned the maintenance coverage. The motion and second were withdrawn.

Resolution R2021-5 – Maintenance under the Illinois Highway code

A motion was made by Alderman Eaton, seconded by Alderman Williams, to approve a resolution for maintenance under the Illinois Highway Code. This covers miscellaneous items such as salt, cold patch, crushed stone, HFE 90 emulsion, tree replacement and PCC sidewalk. The amount of the Resolution is \$ 195,000.00

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Rennels, DeBolt, Eaton, Williams, Fawver

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

CITY CLERK: *Kathleen Miller*

Information was distributed regarding the number of e-bills for Utility Billing.

CITY TREASURER: *Zoila Gomez*

Revenue, expense and tax reports for FY ’21 February were distributed.

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT: *Chief Whowell – Lt. Allison reported*

The Police and Fire Commission will be holding new police applicant testing on May 15th to establish a hiring eligibility list.

The Investigations Division will be conducting search warrant training for all shifts in the next two weeks. This will save us money in the long run since we are conducting the training in house.

We have two new Basset instructors. Officers Ruiz and Brant will replace Officer Patton as the instructor for these classes.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER: *Nate Bullard*

Nate informed the council that tree trimming is done in Lakewood. He also informed the Council that the IEPA is going to mandate all lead out of the water systems so there are several areas that will have to be dug up and checked and repaired.

BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING: *Tom Karpus – Nothing to report*

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE/HEALTH & SAFETY: Alderman Mulliner

Alderman Mulliner had a meeting on March 17, 2021 at 6:00 PM and discussed the Groot contract extension and laptops. A meeting was called for April 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM to discuss and IGA with KenCom regarding license plate readers.

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING: Alderman DeBolt

Alderman DeBolt has a meeting March 25, 2021 at 6:00 pm to discuss an amendment to administrative adjudication, the Mechanical/Helm contract and the fence issue at 719 S. Ben St.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Rennels – Nothing to report

FINANCE: Alderman Fawver

The Finance committee met this evening to review the vendor run. The briefly discussed the proposals for legal service. A meeting was called for April 12, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

PARKS: Alderman Johns

Alderman Johns has a meeting March 23, 2021 at 5:30 pm to discuss disc golf, transient business license application involving the Parks, summer help and the budget.

PERSONNEL & INSURANCE: Alderman Williams

Alderman Williams had a meeting March 16, 2021 at 5:00 PM and discussed non-union wage increases, merit evaluations and Martin Luther King Day. The committee is not in favor of a multiple year plan. A two year plan will be on the next COW agenda.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Alderman Nadeau

Alderman Nadeau's committee has received a proposal for a Juneteenth event. A meeting was called for March 25, 2021 at 5:30 pm to discuss the event.

STREETS & UTILITIES: Alderman Eaton

Alderman Eaton has a meeting scheduled for March 23, 2021 and will discuss an easement on Lew St., replacement of a non-potable water pump, the water rate study, street resurfacing, sidewalk replacement, monthly utility billing, signage on Hugh St. and painting light poles.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman Nadeau, seconded by Alderman Eaton, to adjourn. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

Kathleen Miller
City Clerk