

City of Deer Park  
City Council Meeting  
Municipal Building  
May 13, 2013

President Comer opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk read the roll. Mr. Donnellon, Mr. Hall, Mrs. Hedger, Mr. Lehane, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tassell.

### ***Approval of Minutes***

Mrs. Hedger motioned to approve the minutes from the April 22, 2013 Council Meeting and the May 6, 2013 Committee Meeting. Mr. Donnellon seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### ***Public Comment – Citizens and Guests***

Mr. Bill Grafe of Energy Alliance was present to update Council on the electric aggregation program. Mr. Grafe explained three pricing options:

- Option 1 – Through May 2014 – 5.20 cents per kWh
- Option 2 – Through May 2014 – 10% discount off the SSO (Standard Service Offer)
- Option 3 – Through December 2014 – 8% discount off the SSO

Mr. Rob Hazelbaker from Duke Energy Retail stated Option 3 is a good rate and will take Deer Park customers through the electric tariff increase scheduled for June 2014. At the end of the term a new set of options will be presented to the City. Additionally, selecting Option 3 will allow Deer Park residents that are already participating in the “opt in” program to switch over to the new rate, which offers the 8% discount. The 8% discount has been well received by consumers.

Mr. Bill Hanks of Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME) addressed Council to discuss a foreclosure assistance program he operates through United Way. Mr. Hanks helps an average of 30 families per month, through this grant funded program. Ms. Newsom has invited Mr. Hanks to make a presentation to the community. A mutually agreeable date will be set and the presentation will take place at the Community Center. More details will be forthcoming.

### ***Legislative and Finance***

Mrs. Hedger motioned to accept the March 2013 Auditor’s Report and the April 2013 Income Tax Report. Mr. Lehane seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Hedger asked the Clerk to read **RESOLUTION 2013-13 AUTISIM AWARENESS RESOLUTION**. So read. Mrs. Hedger motioned to waive the 24 hour rule and was seconded by Ms. Newsom. Mr. Donnellon – aye, Mr. Hall – aye, Mrs. Hedger – aye, Mr. Lehane – aye, Ms. Newsom – aye, Mr. Rapp – aye, Mr. Tassell – aye. Motion carried. Mrs. Hedger motioned to waive the three reading rule and Mr. Hall seconded the motion. Mr. Donnellon – aye, Mr. Hall – aye, Mrs. Hedger – aye, Mr. Lehane – aye, Ms. Newsom – aye, Mr. Rapp – aye, Mr. Tassell – aye. Motion carried. Mrs. Hedger motioned for passage and was seconded by Mr. Rapp. Mr. Donnellon – aye, Mr. Hall – aye, Mrs. Hedger – aye, Mr. Lehane – aye, Ms. Newsom – aye, Mr. Rapp – aye, Mr. Tassell – aye. Motion carried.

### ***Safety***

Mr. Hall presented the April 2013 Police Report.

Mr. Lehane presented the April 2013 Fire Report.

### ***Public Works***

Mr. Lehane reported Dalton Avenue will be complete by the end of the week, weather permitting.

Mr. Berens reported he contacted the City Engineer for a ballpark estimate for repairs to Quartermaine Avenue, and is waiting for a response.

***Park Board Report*** – A Rozzi Fireworks demonstration is scheduled for Thursday, May 16 at 8:00 p.m. near Diamond 3.

### ***New Business***

Mr. Tassell motioned to select Option 3 Through December 2014 – 8% discount off the SSO for the electric aggregation program. Ms. Newsom seconded the motion. Mr. Donnellon – aye, Mr. Hall – aye, Mrs. Hedger – aye, Mr. Lehane – aye, Ms. Newsom – aye, Mr. Rapp – aye, Mr. Tassell – aye. Motion carried.

***Public Comment*** – None.

***Notable Communications*** – None.

***Law Director*** – None.

***Auditor*** – None.

***Safety-Service Director*** – None.

### ***Mayor's Report***

The Memorial Day Parade will held on Monday, May 27. Please meet at the Silverton Train Station at 9:30 a.m.

Mrs. Hedger motioned to suspend the Council Meeting on May 27, 2013. Mr. Donnellon seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### ***Adjournment***

Mr. Lehane motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Hedger. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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Joseph W. Comer  
President of Council

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Meredith L. George  
Clerk of Council