

City of Deer Park
City Council Committee Meeting
Municipal Building
November 3, 2014

President Comer opened the meeting, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests

- Mr. Henry Beck
- The Honorable Brad Wenstrup

WWII Medal Presentation

Mr. Lehane introduced Mr. Henry Beck as his father in law stating recently they were looking at military papers regarding Mr. Beck's awards earned which he did not recall receiving. Mr. Lehane contacted Mr. Brad Wenstrup's office with the help of Mr. Tassell. The Honorable Brad Wenstrup thanked Mr. Beck for his service stating that Mr. Beck was from the greatest generation and served this great nation from August 30, 1946 to being honorably discharged January 12, 1950. The following awards were presented to Mr. Beck: The WWII Victory Medal, The WWII Navy Discharge Button, The Honorable Service Lapel Pin, also known as The Ruptured Duck. The Navy Officers in attendance presented The Navy Challenge Coin to Mr. Beck. Mr. Beck's grandson serves in the Navy to which Mr. Wenstrup stated his appreciation for this family's tradition. Mr. Beck thanked everyone, including all who he served with.

Legislative and Finance Committee

Deer Park Veterans Memorial Commission

Mr. Tassell announced that he mailed out 131 letters to veterans from Deer Park as well as made some calls to see who is interested in becoming part of the Deer Park Veterans Memorial Commission to take care and keep the Memorial in the park updated going forward. President Comer mentioned that he provided another contact phone number to Mr. Tassell for help on contacting additional veterans.

October 2014 Income Tax Report

Mr. Berens announced that the October 2014 Income Tax Report is in the mailboxes and will be discussed at the City Council meeting on November 10.

October NW JEDZ Report

Mr. Berens announced that the JEDZ Report will be discussed at the City Council meeting on November 10.

Resolution 2014-18 IGA for TID Project

Mr. Berens stated that the previously tabled Resolution 2014-18 will be ready for legislation at the November 10 City Council meeting.

Resolution 2014-25 Adopting Deer Park Vision 2015 Comprehensive Plan

Mr. Berens announced that the Deer Park Vision 2015 Comprehensive Plan final draft was emailed to all and has been worked on for the past 8 months. This Resolution 2014-25 will be ready for legislation at the November 10 City Council meeting.

Committee Appointments

Mr. Berens stated that with the resignation of Mr. Jeff Hall the Safety Committee needs a new chairman. Mayor Collins appointed Mr. Lehane as the new chairman of the Safety Committee and Mr. Perin as a new member of the Safety Committee.

Safety Committee

October 2014 Deer Park-Silverton Joint Fire District Monthly Report

Mr. Berens stated that the October 2014 fire district monthly report is in the mailboxes and the report will be given at next week's City Council meeting on November 10.

October 2014 Deer Park Police Department Monthly Report

Mr. Berens stated that the October 2014 police department monthly report is in the mailboxes and the report will be given at next week's City Council meeting on November 10.

Police Officer Selection Update

Mr. Berens stated that the police department is currently running a candidate through the final stages of the background check process. We hope to have a new officer sworn in at the November 24 City Council meeting.

Bank Robbery

Mr. Perin asked Mr. Berens if there were any updates in the investigation of the recent bank robbery at First Financial. Mr. Berens responded that there were two suspects taken into custody but not yet charged as there is still DNA testing in progress. Photographic evidence and masks have been recovered and have been a help in this investigation. We should know more next week. Mr. Perin and Mr. Berens both noted that great work was done by the officers.

Public Works Committee

Redmont Avenue Improvement Project Update

Mr. Berens announced that a Redmont Avenue progress meeting took place this morning. Everything is running on schedule. This Wednesday tie ins will begin with Waterworks. There are over 90 homes to tie in with 10 being done per day. The week of November 17 – 21 the curbs will be torn out and reformed. Resident's driveways will not be able to be driven over for about 7 days after concrete is poured. Mr. Berens is concerned about parking with the extra cars for the Thanksgiving holiday and will send out letters asking inconvenienced residents to make us aware of any special needs such as wheelchair or walker access.

Most Improved Community Recycling Program Award by the Ham Co. Recycling and Solid Waste District

Mr. Berens reminded all that Deer Park has been selected to receive the Most Improved Community Recycling Program Award! The 10th annual ceremony with breakfast is Thursday November 13, 2014 at Winton Woods at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Berens also stated that he and President Comer will attend and invited others to RSVP to Mr. Berens if they wish to join them.

Road Salt

Mr. Tassell asked about road salt. Mr. Berens stated that 350 tons have been ordered which includes the 300 tons that we need and the 50 tons to replace Blue Ash and Sycamore Township that we borrowed last winter. It will be available in November. Our new truck will also be ready for winter.

Other Boards or Committees with a Report

Hermann Tegenkamp Service Award

Mr. Berens announced that Mr. Keith Chachoff has not received any applications for this award so far. Applications are available on our website as well as in the city building to nominate someone for this award.

Park Board

Mr. Perin noted that the Fire Truck from the playground is being repainted and having some welding done over the winter and will be back in the spring. The Christmas Tree Lighting will take place the day after Thanksgiving, November 28. Mr. Preston will give a full Park Board report at the November 10 City Council meeting.

Schedule

City Council Meeting, Monday, November 10, 2014 at 7:00pm

Park Board Meeting, Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 7:00pm

City Council Meeting, Monday, November 24, 2014 at 7:00pm

Announcements

Mr. Berens announced that the Deer Park Business Association's Chili Challenge Cook-off will take place November 7, 2014 at the Francis R. Healy Community Center at 6:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.00 at the door or \$2.00 with canned goods going to Communserv. Mr. Perin mentioned that the proceeds go to help Communserv, The Deer Park Police Department, The Deer Park-Silverton Joint Fire Department and The Park Board

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.