

City of Deer Park  
City Council Meeting  
Municipal Building  
July 14, 2014

President Comer opened the meeting, followed by 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 June 23, 2014 Public Hearing, the June 23, 2014 Council Meeting and the July 7, 2014 Committee Meeting. Mr. Rapp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Pat Rovekamp Park Office Dedication**

Mayor Collins recognized the years of Pat Rovekamp's dedication as park director for many summers of outstanding service supervising children with crafts, games and hot dog day at Chamberlin Park from 1992 – 2003. The Deer Park Park Board is dedicating the park office in the name of Pat Rovekamp. Mayor Collins proclaimed Monday July 14, 2014 as Pat Rovekamp Day in the city of Deer Park for recognition and appreciation for dedicated service to the City of Deer Park.

**Public Comment – Citizens and Guests – None**

## **Standing Committee Reports**

### **Legislative and Finance Committee**

#### **June 2014 Income Tax Report**

Mrs. Hedger motioned to approve the June 2014 Income Tax report. Mr. Tassell seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

#### **Resolution 2014-8 to Adopt Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 (Final Reading)**

Mrs. Hedger asked the Clerk to read **RESOLUTION 2014-8**. So read. Mrs. Hedger motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Tassell. Mr. Donnellon – aye, Mr. Hall – aye, Mrs. Hedger – aye, Mr. Lehane – aye, Ms. Newsom – aye, Mr. Rapp – aye, Mr. Tassell – aye. Motion carried.

#### **Income Tax Board of Review**

Mrs. Hedger stated there is nothing new to report on the Income Tax Board of Review.

#### **Ordinance 2014-10 Waiver of Residency Requirement**

Mrs. Hedger asked the Clerk to read **ORDINANCE 2014-10**. So read. Mrs. Hedger motioned to waive the 24 hour rule and was seconded by Mr. Donnellon. 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. Donnellon 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 adoption and was seconded by Mr. Hall. Mr. Donnellon – aye, Mr. Hall – aye, Mrs. Hedger – aye, Mr. Lehane – aye, Ms. Newsom – aye, Mr. Rapp – aye, Mr. Tassell – aye. Motion carried.

## **Safety Committee**

### **June 2014 Police Report**

- Mr. Hall stated that the June 2014 Police Report was distributed and reminded all to continue to keep car doors, garage doors and sheds locked to deter theft.
- Mr. Donnellon reminded all to be careful while driving and backing out of parking spaces as there are children walking in the community, especially with the festival coming very soon.

## **Public Works Committee**

### **MacNicholas Storm Pipe Repair**

Mr. Tassell asked Mr. Berens if there were any updates on the MacNicholas storm pipe repair. Mr. Berens had no additional information at this time.

## **Crosswalk**

Mr. Lehane will have some information from Blue Ash Council regarding the cost and process of putting in a crosswalk in front of Chamberlin Park near John's Carry Out which lights up the entire crosswalk by lights that flicker on the ground at the August 4 committee meeting.

## **Report of Special Committees / Boards**

### **Park Board Report**

Mr. Perin reported that the movie in the park, sponsored by MVP Sports Bar, is scheduled for 7/19/14 and "Little Rascals" will be shown. The Days in the Park Festival sponsorship is now over \$6,000 with more coming in daily from local businesses. The Days in the Park Festival is Aug 1, 2 and 3.

## **Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far –**

*Shawn Gavin – 4125 St. John's Terrace-*

Mr. Gavin asked why Ordinance 2014-10 Waiver of Residency Requirement was not done within 180 days of the Safety Service Director's appointment date. President Comer replied that a waiver was done prior to the previous Safety Service Director's, Dave O'Leary, appointment. It was assumed that it was okay for the current Safety Service Director due to Dave O'Leary not having lived in the City of Deer Park. Mr. Gavin stated his opinion that the city has been in "harm's way" and it is "incomprehensible" that we could allow this to happen. President Comer mentioned that Mr. Gavin did not catch this during his time on council.

## **Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous - None**

**New Business - None**

## **Reports from other City Officials**

**Treasurer – None**

**Law Director – None**

**Auditor – None**

**Safety Service Director – None**

**Mayor's Report –** Mayor Collins announced that we need over 50 volunteers for the 3 days of the Days in the Park Festival. He has been emailing to ask for help and appreciates volunteers.

**Executive Session – RE: Employee Compensation, Litigation**

At 7:18 p.m., Mrs. Hedger motioned to retire to executive session to discuss employee compensation and litigation, including City Council, Mr. Helmes, Mrs. Seitz, Mr. Comer, Mayor Collins and Mr. Applegate. Mr. Donnellon 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.

At 7:55 p.m., Mrs. Hedger motioned to end executive session and reconvene the regular meeting. Mr. Donnellon 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.

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Hedger motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Lehane. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Joseph W. Comer  
President of Council

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Joanie Perin-Seitz  
Clerk of Council