

City of Deer Park  
City Council Committee Meeting  
Municipal Building  
August 1, 2016

President Pro Tem Tolliver opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guests** – None

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

#### **July 2016 Income Tax Report**

Mr. Berens reported that the July 2016 income tax report is showing almost a \$100,000 increase from this time last year. The report is in council mailboxes and will be presented for approval at the August 8 city council meeting.

#### **July 2016 JEDZ Report**

Mr. Berens reported that the July 2016 JEDZ report is not yet ready however should be ready and presented for approval at the August 8 city council meeting.

#### **July 2016 Auditor's and Treasurer's Reports**

Mr. Berens reported that the July 2016 Auditor's and Treasurer's report is not yet ready however should be ready and presented for approval at the August 8 city council meeting.

#### **Proposed Zoning Code Text Amendment**

Mr. Berens announced that on August 8, 2016 at 6 pm there will be a Public Hearing/L & F meeting for the purpose of reviewing a proposed text change to the Deer Park parking regulations submitted by Jessica Walker, proponent of the text change. Gerry Stoker, Building Commissioner, will be here for the hearing. Ms. Walker previously appeared at the Planning and Zoning Commission on June 27, 2016 at 5:30 pm. Our current parking regulations state that the parking regulations do not specifically address fitness facilities by title, however does reference service oriented business per section 1141.15 (B) (5), which may be utilized for this type of fitness business. Ms. Walker's proposal asks to add text to section 1141.15 (B)(9) to read: Fitness centers or gyms: One parking space for every 25 ft. of floor used for public service and one for each employee. The L & F will listen to what Ms. Walker has to say and make a recommendation to City Council.

#### **Natural Gas Aggregation Contract**

Mr. Berens announced that the Gas Aggregation Contract is coming up for renewal. They recommend that we stay with the current plan as we can lock in as long as we want. Many other communities are going with the 24 month plan and Mr. Tolliver recommended that we go with the 24 month plan. Mr. Helmes will put together legislation for next week, August 8.

### ***Safety Committee***

#### **July 2016 Deer Park-Silverton Joint Fire District Monthly Report**

Mr. Berens stated that the July 2016 fire district monthly report is not yet ready however will be given at next week's city council meeting on August 8.

#### **July 2016 Deer Park Police Department Monthly Report**

Mr. Berens stated that the July 2016 police department monthly report is not yet ready however will be given at next week's city council meeting on August 8. Lt. Miller and Officer Jordan picked up the artifact from the World Trade Center which is a 15 ft. piece of subway rail from under the building. Future discussions will take place on how to honorably display in our city.

## ***Public Works Committee***

### **Street Tree List Recommendation**

Mr. Berens announced that there is a street tree list recommendation that will be placed in council mailboxes. This is a recommendation to install trees and replacing the old ones in the right of way. Mrs. Joyce Kramer, *4123 Lansdowne Avenue*, suggested that residents could purchase trees on their own and have a hand in this and maybe memorialize or remember a loved one. Mr. Tassell asked that we hold off on a recommendation under we hear about a possible grant from ODNR and also stated that the Zoo is on board with partnering on cataloging trees.

### ***Other Boards or Committees with a Report***

Mr. Berens announced that the Beautification Awards are scheduled for August 6 at 7 pm at the Days in the Park Festival.

### **Schedule**

L&F Public Hearing, Monday, August 8, 2016 at 6:00pm

City Council Meeting, Monday, August 8, 2016 at 7:00pm

Park Board Meeting, Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 7:00pm

### **Announcements** – None

### **Executive Session–To Discuss Employee Benefits –**

At 7:40 pm, Mr. Tolliver motioned to go into executive session to discuss employee benefits to include Council Members, Mr. Berens, Mr. Applegate, Mayor Donnellon, Ms. Perin and Mr. Helmes. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp – yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried.

Executive Session concluded at 7:44 pm.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

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Ron Tolliver  
President of Council Pro Tem

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Joan Perin  
Clerk of Council