

City of Deer Park
City Council Meeting
Municipal Building
September 19, 2022

Mayor Donnellon opened the meeting at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation. The Clerk of Council read the roll. Mr. Camp, Mr. Daily, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus, Mr. Kelly, Ms. Westmark, Mayor Donnellon.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Downs motioned to approve the minutes from the September 6, 2022 Council Meeting. Motion seconded by Ms. Westmark. Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Mr. Kelly – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Motion carried.

~~Presentations:~~ No presentation this evening.

Public Comment – Citizens and Guests – None

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee *Chairman Chris Westmark

August 2022 FUND REPORT

Ms. Westmark motioned to accept the August 2022 Fund report. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Mr. Kelly – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Westmark asked if everyone received a link to the Auditor report and mentioned that the news is good with us being up on funds.

Safety Committee *Chairman Tom Camp

August 2022 Fire Report

Mr. Camp announced that in the month of August 2022 there were 8 fire runs and 92 EMS runs for a total of 100 so far this year in the city. The total in the complete district for the year so far is 2289. Today has been especially busy with 17 runs so far.

August 2022 Police Report

Mr. Feldhaus announced that in August 2022 there were 793 calls. 1st shift reported 238 details, 2nd shift reported 356 details and 3rd shift reported 199 details. The festival went well with no problems. Residents are reminded to lock their vehicles and do not let people that you don't know in your house. The recent threat to Amity School was discussed where Dr. Jetter stated that the juvenile was arrested and charged with domestic terroristic threats. The city remains a safe place to live, work and play.

Public Works Committee *Chairman Kathy Downs –

Ms. Downs deferred to Dr. Jetter for this report. Dr. Jetter stated that leaf collection begins on October 17 and goes until almost the end of the year. The roof work on the city building begins soon.

Park Board Committee *Chairman Mark Feldhaus

Mr. Feldhaus announced that this past Saturday we had a great crowd at Party in the Park. Our last Party in the Park for this year will be on September 24 where we will draw for our final raffle. On September 27 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm the Park Board will be selling discounted pop left over from the season at the service department garage. The Boo Fest is scheduled October 1 at 6:00 pm. On Saturday November 12 the Day at the Races/Armchair Races takes place again at the Community Center. The Christmas tree lighting is scheduled for November 26 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous – None

Old Business – None

New Business – At 7:19 pm Mayor Donnellon motioned to go into executive session for the purpose of property acquisition and to include all city council members, Mr. Pacheco, Dr. Jetter and Mayor Donnellon. Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion. Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Mr. Kelly – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Motion carried.

At 7:33 pm Mayor Donnellon motioned to come out of executive session. Mr. Daily seconded the motion. Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Mr. Kelly – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Motion carried.

Reports from Other City Officials

Solicitor – Mr. Pacheco announced that when we pass legislation by emergency, we need to state a valid reason. It should be for something that needs to go into immediate effect.

City Manager – Dr. Jetter thanked Mr. Keller for the donated mulch. Dr. Jetter also stated that we have received a notice from the FOP to negotiate for the three police bargaining units.

Mona will be back in two weeks and Tyra will be back by October 1.

Mayor – None

Schedule

October 3, 2022 Council Meeting 7:00 pm
October 17, 2022 Council Meeting 7:00 pm
November 7, 2022 Council Meeting 7:00 pm
November 8, 2022 Election Day
November 21, 2022 Council Meeting 7:00 pm

Community Events

September 20, 2022 Block Watch Community Center at 7:00 pm
September 24, 2022 Party in the Park featuring The Remains 7:00 pm
October 1, 2022 Boo Fest in Chamberlain Park 6:00 pm
October 7, 2022 Luncheon for Lt. Dan McCormick - Downstairs of the City Building
November 12, 2022 Armchair Races at the Community Center
November 26, 2022 Holiday Tree Lighting
December 12, 2022 Council Informational Session from 7-8 pm at the Deer Park Library

Adjournment

Ms. Downs motioned to adjourn. Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion. Mr. Camp – yes, Mr. Daily – yes, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus – yes, Mr. Kelly – yes, Ms. Westmark – yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

John Donnellon
Mayor

Joan E. Perin
Clerk of Council