

City of Deer Park
City Council Committee Meeting
Municipal Building
October 5, 2020

President Daily opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk of Council read the roll. Mr. Camp, Ms. Downs, Mr. Feldhaus, Mr. Lehane, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tolliver. All present with the exception of Mr. Feldhaus and Mr. Lehane.

Safety Committee: Chairman Tom Camp

Mr. Camp mentioned that there is increased police presence on Redmont. There is a water main or a gas line break.

Public Works Committee: Chairman Dan Lehane

Speed Deterrent Device Ordered

Mr. Jetter announced that the speed deterrent device that council wanted has been ordered. Discussion ensued.

Clifford Road

Mr. Jetter stated that there is lots of construction on Clifford Road.

Blue Ash Road

Mr. Jetter stated that the traffic on Blue Ash Road is southbound only now. The base will go in next Friday from Duneden to Galbraith.

Legislative and Finance Committee: Ron Tolliver Chairman

Credit Charges

Mr. Tolliver announced that our credit card fees are around \$7,000.00 per year. We would like to talk about alternative options such as adding a 3% fee to residents who use credit cards to pay their taxes. We will talk about a policy change during our next meeting. Discussion ensued.

Quarterly Payments

Mr. Tolliver mentioned that since quarterly payments are due this month we will hopefully get good revenue.

Civil Claims Action on Past Due Income Tax Accounts

Mr. Tolliver brought up a discussion to see how we can get these past due income tax accounts paid. Discussion ensued. Mr. Helmes is going to follow up with some examples on how St. Bernard has been successful in collection of past due accounts there.

SB352, HB754 (Income Tax Provision)

Mr. Tolliver announced that the state is trying to change some tax laws due to people working from home due to COVID-19. Discussion ensued and we will wait on what the Municipal League advises.

HB614 CARES Funding

Mr. Jetter announced that although we are receiving \$200,000 from the CARES fund, there are constraints on this money. We cannot use it for just anything. Some examples of what we can do are using it to cover police salaries if someone is out due to COVID-19 and we had to pay other officers overtime or for coverage of shifts or we could use it for supplies to spray down playground equipment. Discussion ensued. More to come on this subject at a future council meeting.

Announcements from the Safety Service Director

Mr. Jetter announced the following:

- There is a meeting this Thursday October 8 regarding the bowling alley.
- The townhomes project is being addressed soon
- We are looking to have a gateway for intersections between Deer Park and Silverton and are hoping to have the costs tie into the TIF.
- The Mexican restaurant is expected to open in December 2020.
- A Venezuelan restaurant is interested in part of the bowling alley building.
- The old Movie Theatre building is going to be sold. Discussion ensued on all above topics.

Schedule

October 12, 2020 Council Meeting 7:00 pm

October 26, 2020 BZA 6:00 pm

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Community Events

October 6, 2020 Fire District Zoom Meeting 4:30 pm

We Thrive will not be meeting in October

October 20, 2020 Block Watch Meeting 7:00 pm Community Center.

Halloween Saturday October 31, 2020 in Deer Park 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

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President of Council

Joan E. Perin
Clerk of Council