

City of Deer Park City Council Municipal Building Meeting November 17th, 2025

Mayor Donnellon opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation.

Clerk of Council read the roll. Tom Camp, Kathy Downs, Mark Feldhaus, Natasha Kohorst, Chris Westmark, and Mayor Donnellon are present. Mayor Donnellon made a motion to excuse Neil Kelly, Ms., Kohorst seconded the motion, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Donnellon made a motion to accept the minutes from the council meeting Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Jennifer Hoffman on Linden Ave asked about the sign that shows the street is commercial, she has done over \$150,000 dollars of renovation on her property and was concerned she may have to sell since area is commercial. Dr Jetter stated the sign says commercial due to the school being there, her property is not commercial, and she will not have to sell due to commercial development.

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee Chair Chris Westmark

Clerk was asked to read by title only Resolution 2025-20 Resolution appointing William "BJ" Jetter as City Manager and approving his employment contract. Ms. Westmark made a motion to adopt, Mayor Donnellon seconded the motion: discussion: contract is until end of 2026, Ms. Kohorst asked if he would stay another year. He said council just needed to ask next year. roll vote taken: Mr. Camp-yes, Ms. Downs- yes, Mr. Feldhaus-yes, Ms. Kohorst-yes, Ms. Westmark -yes, Mayor Donnellon -yes. Resolution adopted.

October Income Report, increase of \$117,000; Ms. Westmark made a motion to accept, Ms. Kohorst seconded, motion carried.

October JEDZ report, increase of \$97.29 over LY, Ms., Westmark made a motion to accept, Mr. Feldhaus seconded motion, motion carried.

October JEDD report. Collected \$ 203.12 in October, Ms. Westmark made a motion to accept, Ms. Kohorst seconded the motion, motion carried.

October Fund Report, all in balance, Ms. Westmark made a motion to accept, Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Safety Committee Chair Tom Camp:

Mr. Feldhaus presented the October Police report, 985 calls for service, 19 offense reports, 5 auto accident reports, 28 arrests. Full report available online Deer Park Police Dept.

Lt. Jordan was in attendance for Chief Battin, any questions for him: Ms., Westmark stated there was a deer with a broken leg and she called Chief Battin. Chief Battin said there was a resident who did not like the Police Department discharging their weapon for deer issues. And suggested using a dart gun. Ms. Westmark called the 2nd chance wildlife organization for guidance; they informed her the worst thing you can do is use a dart gun. Ms. Westmark wanted Lt Jordan to take that information back to Chief Battin. The deer had to be euthanized due to a broken leg. She wanted to thank the department for their help.

Mr. Camp presented the October Fire report,

92 requests for service, YTD total calls for service are 891 The district is at 3127 calls for service YTD.

Public Works Committee Chair Kathy Downs:

last meeting before Dec 1st. The city is repairing catch basins on East Galbraith Rd. Leaf collection will end in the middle of December. Repair and installation of curbs and gutters on Linden Ave are being completed. The new excavator and loader are now in use, and training is occurring. 36" illumination Stop Sign has been ordered for E Galbraith rd. and Gail. Awaiting delivery. Ron from the Service Department is retiring, his last day is November 26th, 2025.

Park Board Committee Chair Mark Feldhaus:

Christmas Lighting is Friday November 29th at 6:30 PM, Santa Claus and the Grinch will attend. Ms. Kohorst asked when the next Armchair race is, Mr. Feldhaus stated February, TBD.

Correspondence & Miscellaneous: none

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

Special Announcements & Reports from Other City Official.

City Manager:

Currently working on 2026 budget, preparing an application for State Capital Funds to use for Gateway

Project. Blue Ash and Galbraith, Plainfield and Galbraith and the gravel area across from St. Johns Church.

Will need to see where the city can put a sign by the Subway area, the city has no land there, the city has ordered 100,000 tons of salt for the inevitable inclement weather.

The auto dealership we were going to buy the cruiser from sold it out from under the city, so we are looking again, the city wants to purchase before the end of the year.

Solicitor – I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving enjoy the holiday and be Thankful for friends and family. Congratulations to Mr. Camp and Mr. Feldhaus on re-election, and Congratulations to Ms. Dietrich who will be sworn in December 1st. We are waiting on recount for one council position.

Mayor:

The Holiday Spirit Award nomination form will be online soon; Let's light the city UP! Final turn in is December 15th, 2025, there will be 8-10 winners. It has been a pleasure to work with Ms. Downs for the last 6 years and appreciate all your support. We will miss you. Shop with a Cop happening this year, we have collected almost \$10,000; Appletree Pet Clinic has donated \$5000 to Shop with a cop, as stated last meeting, Block Watch donated, Players with Pride, Friends of Chamberlain Park and Big guy Helpers also donated to the program. Thank you to all who donated. The last day to donate is December 1st, 2025. They have contacted 3 families for far and are hoping to help 25 families. We doubled what City of Reading collected last week!

Ms. Downs stated she would like to Thank Friends of Chamberlain Park for handling the money donations as the Police Department is not allowed per State guidelines. It is an amazing program!

Schedule:

November 24th, 2025, Council Meeting 7:00 PM in Council Chambers (Appropriations Resolutions)

December 1st, 2025, Council Meeting 7:00 PM in Council Chambers; new council members swearing in

Congrats to Dana Dietrich for election

December 15th, 2025 Council Meeting 7:00 PM in Council Chambers

Events:

November 18th Block watch 7:00 PM Community Center: Topic is Domestic Violence forensic science behind sexual assault., led by the Center for Abuse and Rape. Focusing on preserving evidence. Presented by Christine Hassent, who works in Forensic Nursing.

Stuff the Tahoe Food Drive, collection bins at the police station for nonperishable food items and collecting
At the Block Watch meeting as well.

Christmas Tree Lighting November 29th, 2025, at 6:30 PM Grinch will be there

December 16th, 2025, Block Watch Meeting 6:00 PM POTLUCK, meeting at 7:00 PM Gerda Braunheim part 2-
Book Signing and she will share more stories

ROUND ROBIN:

Ms. Kohorst: Thank You to Ms. Downs for her service to the City of Deer Park. I learned a lot from you.

Ms. Downs: Thank you for allowing me to serve the last 6 years. Thank you for all your love and support.

Mr. Camp: Thank you, Ms. Downs, gave Kathy flowers

Mr. Feldhaus: Congratulations and thank you Ms. Downs for your 6 years of service, thank you for all you
have done for the community.

Mayor Donnellon: Thank you to Ms. Downs for your service, and she will continue the Block Watch program-

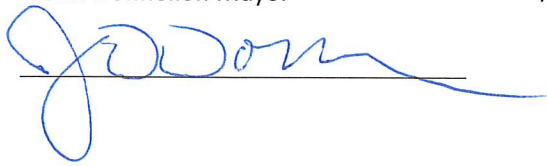
She does an amazing job! Thank You

Ms. Westmark: Thank you Ms. Downs for all you have done for the community.

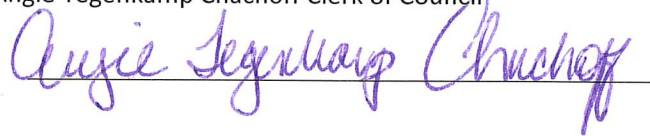
Mayor Donnellon made a motion to adjourn; Ms. Downs seconded the motion, motion carried. Meeting

Adjourned at 7:30 PM

John Donnellon Mayor

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Angie Tegenkamp Chachoff Clerk of Council

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read "Angie Tegenkamp Chachoff", written over a horizontal line.