

City of Deer Park City Council Municipal Building Meeting November 4th 2024

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, Chris Westmark, Mayor Donnellon all present. Mayor Donnellon made a motion to excuse Mr. Feldhaus and Mr. Kelly from the meeting, Ms. Kohorst seconded the motion, motion carried

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Westmark made a motion to accept the minutes from October 21st council meeting, Mayor Donnellon seconded the motion, motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee Chair Chris Westmark

Ms. Westmark presented the October Income Report, up almost \$250,000 over last year. Ms., Westmark made a motion to accept the report, Mr. Camp seconded the motion, motion carried.

Safety Committee Chair Tom Camp:

Mr. Camp asked Dr. Jetter and Chief Battin about when the fire lane signs go back up on Oakwood and if they need additional fire lanes, discussion ensued, matter will be further discussed at a later date, as well as a meeting with impacted residents.

Public Works Committee Chair Kathy Downs

Work is completed on Oakwood, leaf collection has begun. 70 tons of salt has been ordered, the cost was down from 2023

Park Board Committee Chair ^{Mayor John Donnellon} ~~Mark Feldhaus~~ - JD delivered MF absent

The Armchair event was well attended awaiting totals. Best attendance so far for this event.

Correspondence & Miscellaneous: none

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Jetter presented the Rental Facility Report, prepared by Julie, Fees have not changed since 2008, we are also losing money on the lights in Chamberlin Park. Council will read report and discuss in December. Report has prices local area cities are charging compared to Deer Park, we are very low.

Special Announcements & Reports from Other City Official.

Solicitor – none

City Manager –

Dr. Jetter mentioned the Facility Report and how council needs to discuss and implement changes. He also discussed the rumors surrounding the property St John the Evangelist, The school there wants to buy the church, the city is interested as well, we would need a grant to do so. The archdioceses as well as the parish will more than likely discuss those issues for a year before deciding what they want to do. The city has received 14,000 in funds from the courts that Dr. Jetter would like to earmark for the Police Department Flock program. We are one of 10-15 agency's that do not have this program. Flock provides cameras' on the side of some roads, it can determine license plate and type of car but cannot see inside of the car. We have borrowed some from other cities to test, they helped solve an auto theft as well as 5 hit skip cases in the last 60 days.

Meier's Winery has been bought out of bankruptcy from a developer.

The state cap fund money is now available bills from the Music Pavilion will be submitted for payment.

In 2025 the city will bid out insurance as the cost has gone up to high, and Mr. Pacheco and Sheena will be working together in the office while Dr. Jetter is out during his recovery.

Mr. Camp made a motion to earmark the \$14,000 the city received towards the Flock program, Mayor Donnellon seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Camp – yes, Ms. Downs- yes, Ms. Kohorst- yes, Ms. Westmark- yes, Mayor Donnellon- yes. Motion carried.

The city is also working on a disaster plan of what happens next if offices are damaged and unusable. The plan is about 40 pages, and will be presented once completed.

Mayor- Please vote tomorrow

Schedule:

Election Day November 5th 2024

November 18th Council Meeting 7:00 PM in Council Chambers

December 2nd, 2024 Council Meeting 7 PM in Council Chambers

December 16th, 2024 Council Meeting 7PM in Council Chambers

Events:

November 19th 2024 Block Watch Meeting 7: pm Community Center Women Helping Women speaker

November 30th 5:30 PM Christmas tree Lighting Starts at 5:30 Tree Lighting at 7PM. Kids name pick at 6:30 PM.

December 9th Council Meet n greet at the Public Library at 7:00 PM

Mayor Donnellon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Camp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:29 PM



John Donnellon Mayor



Angie Tegenkamp Chachoff Clerk of Council