

City of Deer Park  
City Council Meeting  
Municipal Building  
March 27, 2017

President Comer opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. The Clerk read the roll. Mr. Lehane, Mr. Lenihan, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tassell, Mr. Tolliver.

Mr. Lehane motioned to excuse Mr. Tassell and Mr. Tolliver. Mr. Rapp seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Lenihan motioned to approve the minutes from the March 13 City Council Meeting. Mr. Lehane seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Public Comment – Citizens and Guests –**

*Ms. Jessica Walker – 4324 Schenck Avenue* – Ms. Walker stated that through her public records requests she noticed that attracting business is important to the city of Deer Park and while recently reading an article in US News and World Reports she recommended that council take lessons from it to help attract business to Deer Park. Ms. Walker also asked why the Blue Ash Road project is not being worked on now. Mr. Berens advised that the project will be done in due time and is being done in stages.

*Ms. Carrie Baker – 4169 Webster Avenue* – Ms. Baker asked if the Blue Ash Road project could be used to fix other streets instead of making only 4 blocks on Blue Ash Road pretty. President Comer explained that the grant money received can only be used for the Blue Ash Road project.

*Ms. Chris Hedger – 4128 St. John’s Terrace* – Ms. Hedger thanked city council for understanding what grants are and for applying for them so that the city can use them as the money would have gone to another city if not applied for.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

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

#### **Resolution 2017-02, 2017 Appropriation Ordinance, Third Reading**

Ms. Newsom asked the Clerk to read Resolution 2017-02. So read. Ms. Newsom motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Lehane. Mr. Lehane – yes, Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Rapp - yes. Motion carried.

**Safety Committee** – None

**Public Works Committee** – None

**Report of Special Committees / Boards** – None

**Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far** – None

**Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous** – None

**New Business** None

**Reports from other City Officials**

**Treasurer** – None

**Law Director** – None

**Auditor** – None

**Safety Service Director** – None

**Mayor's Report** – None

**Executive Session**

Mr. Lehane motioned to enter into executive session to discuss pending or imminent court action and personnel matters – compensation for public employee and to include Mr. Berens, Mr. Applegate, Mayor Donnellon, President Comer, Ms. Perin, Mr. Helmes and Mr. Todd. Mr. Rapp seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Lehane – yes, Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Rapp – yes. Council entered into Executive Session at 7:13pm.

Ms. Newsom made a motion to enter back into regular session at 7:43 pm. Mr. Lehane seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Newsom motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Lenihan. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm.

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Joseph W. Comer  
President of Council

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Joan E. Perin  
Clerk of Council