

City of Deer Park  
City Council Committee Meeting  
Municipal Building  
March 5, 2018

President Comer opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

#### **Presentation to Council by Benjamin Yoder with Frost Brown and Todd**

Mr. Yoder from Frost Brown and Todd spoke to council to offer his services on teaching Robert's Rules of Order. Mr. Yoder has been talking with Mr. Jetter regarding city council's desire to polish our procedural issues. A Parliamentary Procedures training is coming up soon on March 24, 2018 if city council chooses to go that route instead. Discussion ensued.

#### **Vacant Property Ordinance**

Mr. Tassell explained the time frame and the property codes and noted the importance of rules and regulations on vacant/nuisance buildings. Mr. Jetter announced that he wants everything iron clad before we would go to court. President Comer stated that the motion to accept and vote on the vacant property ordinance as is should have come from a Legislative and Finance Committee member. Discussion ensued, including the suggestion that Mr. Gavin should consider rescinding the motion to accept and vote on the vacant property ordinance as is to which Mr. Gavin mentioned that he may do that in the future. Mr. Tassell will work with Mr. Helmes and will get back with city council.

### ***Safety Committee***

#### **Chief Schlie School Safety Update**

Chief Schlie shared a Power Point presentation along with several videos demonstrating the Deer Park Police's plan for an active shooter in the schools. Chief Schlie explained ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) which is a plan to more proactively handle the threat of an active shooter. The previous "shelter in place" plan is always not best and doesn't always save lives. Two live active shooter drills and two lockdown drills are completed each year at Deer Park Jr. Sr. High School. Chief Schlie made it clear that he and the entire Deer Park Police Department will not hesitate to act if this situation would ever occur. They will go through that door, find and stop the threat and place themselves between the children and danger. Questions were taken and discussion ensued.

#### **CCW Policy in the City Building**

Chief Schlie indicated that he is not comfortable with anyone being allowed to carry concealed weapons into the city building. While he is not against a person's right to carry a concealed weapon, the council chambers are a courtroom during Mayor's Court, the tax and administrative offices have had unhappy visitors and the police department will occasionally have residents with domestic disputes or warrants to turn themselves in showing up at the station. Anyone with a concealed carry license is prohibited from carrying a concealed weapon in the city building at any time.

***Public Works Committee***

**Mill and Grind Road Bid Award**

Mr. Jetter stated that a memo went out to council showing all 25 city streets that will be repaired under the Mill and Grind Road Bid Award. A Resolution will follow soon.

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

**Announcements**

Mr. Jetter stated that the Baressi's Building was sold. President Comer mentioned he heard that it may become a Walt's Hitching Post Outlet.

Mr. Gavin asked who will do the audit of the city. Mr. Applegate stated that the state has done the audit the last several years.

**Schedule**

**March 12, 2018 Council Meeting at 7:00pm**

**March 26, 2018 Council Meeting at 7:00pm**

**March 29, 2018 World Trade Center Meeting at 4:00 pm**

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

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Joseph W. Comer  
President of Council

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Joan E. Perin  
Clerk of Council