

**City Council Meeting**  
Of the City of Palos Hills  
**held Thursday, February 5, 2009**  
City Hall Council Chambers  
10335 S. Roberts Road  
Palos Hills, Illinois 60465

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Bennett called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Bennett led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag.
- 3) **ROLL CALL:** Upon roll call the following Aldermen responded as present: Knox, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox

**ABSENT:** Hanson, Stratton

- 4) **QUORUM:** Mayor Bennett declared a quorum was present.

- 5) **READING OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

Ald. Kleefisch, I MOVE to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated January 22, 2009 as presented. SECONDED by Ald. Brachman. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Moore, Williams, Knox

ABSENT: Hanson, Stratton

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

- 6) **CITIZENS PETITION:** None.
- 7) **CITIZENS HEARING:** None.
- 8) **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND OTHER CITY OFFICIALS:**

A. **CITY CLERK:** No report.

B. **CITY ATTORNEY:** No report.

C. **MAYOR:**

Mayor Bennett, Mary Ann I put into your mailbox a Resolution on "Clean Air Count" and I ask that you bring up for passage. We are going to try and get into a program as I indicated at the last Committee Meeting.

I am trying to provide our residents more information on the environmental issues of the Clean Air Counts Program. We will be starting some informational things in our news

bulletin and try to put on some programs through the year about how people can be more efficient in their households as they did last year with the lighting with the light bulbs that were passed out to them. There are other programs down the road that we will take a look at to try to work in that direction.

**9) PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES BY ALDERMEN:**

**A. BUILDING & LICENSES:**

Ald. Brachman, for the month there were a total of 8 permits issued, total permit fees \$1,566.00, security deposits \$200.00 and security deposit refunds totaled \$500.00

Ald. Brachman, I MOVE for consideration of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-7 Of The Palos Hills Municipal Code. (Scenic Tree signage). SECONDED by Ald. Moore. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman

ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Upon request of Mayor Bennett, City Clerk Mulderink assigned number 2009-1 to an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-07 of the Palos Hills Municipal Code.

Ald. Moore, I MOVE to WAIVE the reading of Ordinance 2009-1. SECONDED by Ald. Marrotta. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman, Marrotta

ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Ald. Brachman, I MOVE for **PASSAGE of Ordinance 2009-1**; An Ordinance **Amending Ordinance 2007-7** Of the Palos Hills Municipal Code. (**Scenic Tree signage**). SECONDED by Ald. Kleefisch. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz

ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**B. CITY ADMINISTRATION/GOLF:** No report.

**C. COMMUNITY RESOURCES:**

Ald. Schultz presented a Resolution Endorsing “Clean Air Counts” and asked the City Clerk to assign a Resolution number.

City Clerk Mulderink assigned number 547 to a Resolution Endorsing “Clean Air Counts”.

Ald. Marrotta, I MOVE to WAIVE the reading of Resolution 547. SECONDED by Ald. Moore. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Moore, Williams, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz  
ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson  
NAY: Pasek, Knox, Kleefisch

MOTION CARRIED.

Ald. Schultz, I MOVE for **ADOPTION of Resolution 547 Endorsing “Clean Air Counts”**. SECONDED by Ald. Kleefisch. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:  
AYE: Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch  
ABSENT: Hanson, Stratton  
NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**D. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** No report.

**E. FINANCE:**

Ald. Pasek, you all have before you a Vendor Warrant dated January 22, 2009 in the amount of \$370,860.23. I MOVE to authorize the expenditure of same. SECONDED by Ald. Williams. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:  
AYE: Moore, Williams, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek  
ABSENT: Hanson, Stratton  
NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**F. LEGISLATION & ORDINANCE:**

Ald. Knox, I MOVE for consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 6.08 Of Title 6 Of The Palos Hills Municipal Code. (dogs, cats & ferrets)

Upon request of Mayor Bennett, City Clerk Mulderink assigned number 2009-2 to a proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 6.08 of the Palos Hills Municipal Code.

Ald. Williams, I MOVE to WAIVE the reading of proposed Ordinance 2009-2. SECONDED by Ald. Moore. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:  
AYE: Knox, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams  
ABSENT: Hanson, Stratton  
NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**Ald. Knox, I MOVE for PASSAGE** of Ordinance 2009-2; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6.0 of Title 6 Of The Palos Hills Municipal Code. (**dogs, cats & ferrets**) SECONDED by Ald. Marrotta. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:  
AYE: Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox  
ABSENT: Hanson, Stratton  
NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**G. PARKS:** No report.

**H. PLANNING & ZONING:**

In the absence of Ald. Hanson a reminder was given to the Council of the hearing scheduled before the Plan Commission for Monday, February 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. The petitioner, Sam Suhail is requesting a special use for Cigar Lounge (tobacco sales)

**I. PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Ald. Kleefisch presented and read the Palos Hills Police Department Activity Report for the month of January 2009 as follows: 1 aggravated assault, burglary, 8 thefts, 2 violations of drug cannabis paraphernalia act, and 89 cases in C.I. D. Division.

The following funds were received; a check in the amount of \$46,964.49 from Consolidated High School District 230 most of which was back pay for our police officers, a check from the State of Illinois for forfeited funds in the amount of \$2,159.95, a check from Clerk of the Circuit Court in the amount of \$314.00, and we received another check from the Clerk of the Circuit Court in the amount of \$9,413.99.

**J. PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER & WATER:**

Ald. Williams, at last weeks meeting I reported that the Commissioner was responding to the Illinois Department of Transportation (inaudible) Motor Fuel Tax Audit with assistance from our Engineers to clear up some loose ends in the accounts. I reported that I would be making a motion to approve 2 Resolutions in regard to our M.F.T. account; the funds have already been spent for these projects to there will be no additional cost to the city. This action is for record keeping purposes only.

Upon request of Ald. Williams, City Clerk Mulderink assigned number **548 to a Supplemental Resolution** for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code; **111<sup>th</sup> Street – Southwest Highway to Route 45** for an improvement that consisted of Roadway reconstruction to provide 2-12” lanes in each direction, curb & gutters, drainage, bridge replacement, modernization & installation of traffic signals; **Section 88-00010-00-TL - \$97,917.54.**

Ald. Knox, I MOVE to WAIVE the reading of Resolution 548. SECONDED by Ald. Marrotta. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman

ABSENT: Hanson, Stratton

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Ald. Williams, I MOVE for **ADOPTION of Resolution 548** as presented. SECONDED by Ald. Moore. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Schultz, Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman, Marrotta

ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Upon request of Ald. Williams, City Clerk Mulderink assigned number 549 to a Resolution for Improvement by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code – **86<sup>th</sup> Avenue – from 111<sup>th</sup> Street to Moraine Drive** for street light design engineering work and installation for street light system as part of a Cook County Highway Department project reconstructing 86<sup>th</sup> Ave; **Section 04-00030-00-LT – utilized for engineering was \$13,960.75.**

Ald. Marrotta, I MOVE to WAIVE the reading of Resolution 549 as presented. SECONDED by Ald. Moore. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Kleefisch, Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz

ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Ald. Williams, I MOVE for **ADOPTION of Resolution 549** as presented. SECONDED by Ald. Marrotta. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

AYE: Pasek, Moore, Williams, Knox, Brachman, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch

ABSENT: Stratton, Hanson

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Ald. Williams stated many communities are struggling with the high cost of salt and our using new techniques to express their salt outages. (Inaudible) techniques come with a price tag sometimes in the thousands of dollars. The Commissioner and I have researched the product of salt & grind (inaudible) application. The Commissioner has developed a method to produce salt grind without the cost of purchasing high tech equipment.

At this time the Commissioner explained about the process to the Council Members of the City Council.

**10) REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:** No report.

**11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** No report.

**12) MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

Ald. Knox, I like to let everyone know that the Palos Hills Baseball Softball Association is having a dinner on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Ciao Restaurant between 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m., \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

**13) ADJOURNMENT:**

No further business, Mayor Bennett entertained a motion to adjourn. SO MOVED by Ald. Kleefisch. SECONDED by Ald. Pasek. By voice vote, all voted AYE.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Submitted by

Rudy A. Mulderink  
City Clerk  
City of Palos Hills