

**City Council Meeting**  
Of the City of Palos Hills  
**Held Thursday, January 7, 2010**  
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, Brachman, Hanson, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Stratton, Moore, Williams, Pasek by electronic attendance.
- 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 December 17, 2009 as presented. SECONDED by Ald. Hanson. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:  
AYE: Brachman, Hanson, Marrotta, Schultz, Kleefisch, Stratton, Moore, Knox, Williams  
ABSTAIN: Pasek  
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 stated he is requiring budgets to be submitted to him by the end of February from the Department Heads and the City Council should have in hand a proposed upcoming budget no later than the second week in March.
- 9) **PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES BY ALDERMEN:**

**A. BUILDING & LICENSES:**

Ald. Brachman stated 22 building permits were issued fees totaled \$2,313.00. Security deposits totaled \$50.00 and security deposit refunds totaled \$175.00.

Ald. Brachman, I MOVE to authorize the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance reflecting the change in the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals hearing fees. SECONDED by Ald. Knox. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

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

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**B. CITY ADMINISTRATION/GOLF:**

Ald. Moore reminded the Council of the Golf Meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at City Hall at 5:30 p.m.

**C. COMMUNITY RESOURCES:** No report.

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

**E. FINANCE:**

Ald. Pasek asked Ald. Brachman to present the Vendor Warrant this evening.

Ald. Brachman, you all have before you a Vendor Warrant dated January 7, 2010 in the amount of \$423,489.43. I MOVE to authorize the expenditure of same. SECONDED by Ald. Kleefisch. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

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

ABSTAIN: Pasek

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**F. LEGISLATION & ORDINANCE:** No report.

**G. PARKS:**

Ald. Stratton, I have nothing under Parks this evening but I would like to call for an Executive Session for Thursday, January 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to review executive session minutes held this past year. SECONDED by Ald. Knox. Upon roll call the following Ald. voted:

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

NAY: None

MOTION CARRIED.

**H. PLANNING & ZONING:**

Ald. Hanson reminded the Council of the upcoming Zoning Board of Appeals hearing scheduled on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. for property located at 10713 W. Doric Circle. The petitioner is James Davenport, his request is for several variances.

**I. PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Ald. Kleefisch presented and read the Palos Hills Police Activity Report for the month of December 2009 as follows: 337 traffic tickets were issued, 341 parking tickets issued, 38 misdemeanor complaints, 7 felony complaints, 2 burglaries, 13 thefts, 2 motor vehicle thefts and our C.I.D. Division handled a total of 90 cases.

Several checks were received, one from Consolidated High School District 230 in the amount of \$8,016.13, one from Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court in the amount of \$230.00, and one from Municipal Recovery Service Inc. in the amount of \$583.20.

Also all the City Officials have been made aware that there is going to be an Executive Level NIMS Training Session at the Chicago Ridge City Hall on Saturday, January 23, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., registration is required.

Ald. Kleefisch also made everyone aware of the 9-1-1 Emergency Information Response Program for people with special needs.

Mayor Bennett, I would like to reach out to the press regarding that; Southwest Central Dispatch in cooperation with all of its members are offering our residents an opportunity if they have a specialty need when a 9-1-1 call is made so that when the paramedics arrive at a home they have some prior information in the treatment of transporting that patient, that just helps them if in fact they take a call from a home were somebody has filled out a form stating they have specialty needs.

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

Ald. Williams stated the Commissioner of Water & Sewer reports effective January 1, 2010 the Village of Oak Lawn increased the cost to purchase lake water by 14% per thousand gallons.

The City Ordinance allows the Commissioner of Water & Sewer to adjust the city water rate to reflect the increase for the purchase, delivery, maintenance and operations of the city water and sewer system. Including the increase in the operation costs passed to us through Oak Lawn. The city water rate will increase 12.51% per thousand gallons; the new water rate effective February 2010 will be \$5.96 per thousand gallons.

Ald. Williams, a few weeks back the City Council passed an Ordinance 2009-19 Establishing expenses for the Illinois Municipal League. I MOVE that we re-draw this ordinance back up the way it was before Ord. 2009-19 was passed due to the fact that one third of the City Council was absent at the time of the vote. **SECONDED** by Ald. Moore.

AYE: Moore, Williams, Hanson, Marrotta, Schultz, Pasek

NAY: Knox, Brachman, Kleefisch, Stratton

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**10) REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:** None.

**11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**12) MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:** None.

**13) ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Submitted by

Rudy A. Mulderink  
City Clerk  
City of Palos Hills