

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Vargas at 7:00 p.m. on August 22, 2017.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 13 Ald. Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson (7:03), Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Absent: 1 Ald. Poulos

Present Also: Randy Heuser, City Clerk
ShawnTe Raines, City Attorney
Carmine Bilotto, City Treasurer

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Motion by Ald. Carr, second by Ald. Donahue to approve the Journal of Proceedings of the Regular Meeting from August 8, 2017.

Ayes: 12 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 Poulos, Johnson

Abstain: 0

There being Twelve (12) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Rachel Orozco, 11957 Longwood Drive, spoke of her disappointment about a business being given a tax break for 10 years.

Rebecca Raines, Rain Ready CNT initiative, stated a completed plan had been presented in March and wanted to know any progress on adopting that plan.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**MAYOR:**

Mayor's Announcements: Metra electric will be offering some service on Saturdays. Stripping on Gregory and Vincennes has begun. There has been some discussion on the Walgreens property. Repaving of Wireton Road will begin soon. There was a book bag giveaway at Gordon School. He commended firefighters who rescued a woman from the third floor of an apartment building. The police department has four new squad cars. American Legion Post 50 has an event at Memorial Park.

BIDS:

1. Bids received on July 28, 2017 – John D. Rita Recreation Center Parking and Landscaping Improvements
2. Bids received on August 8, 2017 – Meadows Golf Club Lift Station Upgrades
3. Bids received August 11, 2017 – Canal Street, Rexford Street and Olde Western Avenue – Street Improvements and Bike Path Reconstruction
4. Bids received on August 15, 2017 – 135th Street Improvements

CITY CLERK:

Motion by Ald. Rita, second by Ald. Ostling to approve a request from South End Alano Klub to have a block party on Sunday, September 3, 2017 from 10:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Ayes: 13 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson, Frausto,
Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 0

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There being Thirteen (13) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

CITY TREASURER:

Motion by Ald. Donahue, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to approve the Monthly Treasurer's Report for the period ending July 31, 2017.

Ayes: 11 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Carr,
Pittman, Slattery, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra,
Rita, Donahue

Nays: 2 Thompson, Johnson

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Eleven (11) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

CITY ATTORNEY:

No business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Development – Ald. Hawley, Chairman

Next Meeting – Thursday, September 7, 2017, 7:30 p.m. – East Annex

Finance Committee – Ald. Ostling, Chairman

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Carr to approve Accounts Payable – August 16, 2017 for \$277,527.70.

Ayes: 13 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson, Frausto,
Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

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Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Thirteen (13) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Rita to approve Payroll for August 11, 2017 for \$359,124.24.

Ayes: 13 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson, Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Thirteen (13) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-032

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF AWARD TO MECCON INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR MEADOWS GOLF CLUB LIFT STATION UPGRADES FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Hawley to approve Resolution Number 2017-032.

Ayes: 12 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson, Frausto, Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 1 Thompson

There being Twelve (12) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-033

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF AWARD TO GALLAGHER ASPHALT FOR CANAL STREET, REXFORD STREET AND OLDE WESTERN AVENUE STREET IMPROVEMENTS AND BIKE PATH CONSTRUCTION FOR THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Bilotto to approve Resolution Number 2017-033.

Ayes: 13 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson, Frausto,
Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 0

There being Thirteen (13) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-034

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF AWARD TO GALLAGHER ASPHALT FOR 135TH STREET IMPROVEMENTS FROM MAPLE AVENUE TO OLDE WESTERN AVENUE IN THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND.

Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Frausto to approve Resolution Number 2017-034.

Ayes: 13 Hawley, Fahrenwald, Ostling, Thompson,
Carr, Pittman, Slattery, Johnson, Frausto,
Bilotto, Vieyra, Rita, Donahue

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Poulos

Abstain: 0

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ALDERMANIC ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

Ald. Donahue thanked the Fire Departments for their heroics last week. He also thanked the Police Department for their help at St. Donatus.

Ald. Johnson informed the residents of the 1st ward that the wooden trestle bridge project is probably not going to be completed until the end of the year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Fahrenwald to adjourn the meeting.
Upon a vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

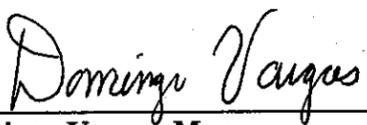
The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for September 12, 2017 at 7:00
p.m.



Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS
12TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017.**



Domingo Vargas, Mayor

