

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING  
JUNE 24, 2014**

**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 June 24, 2014.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 10 Ald. Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman,  
Johnson (7:03)

Absent: 4 Ald. Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue

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

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING**

Moved by Ald. Pittman, second by Ald. Carr the Journal of Proceedings of the Regular Meeting on June 10, 2014 is accepted as printed.

Ayes: 9 Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman

Nays: 0

Absent: 5 Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue, Johnson

Abstain: 0

There being Nine (9) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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**CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**  
**REGARDING THIS EVENINGS BUSINESS**

Tony Lee of 2800 Burr Oak Ave stated that they had their first annual block party on Minnesota and California and thanked all who attended. He saluted the alderman of his ward, Stone and Carr, for the fantastic block party. Mr. Lee also thanked the Fire Department for showing up and for interacting with the children.

Ron Reardon of 2621 123<sup>rd</sup> Street thanked the Fire Department who came to his aid a couple of weeks ago.

Allan Stevo of 2324 Union Street asked if there were minutes for the Public Hearing.

Clerk Heuser answered that they will be voted on in the next meeting.

Mr. Stevo asked who writes the comments for the Journal of Proceedings that were to be voted on at the meeting. He asked if it was the City Attorney.

The Mayor answered there is an individual who does it and it is not the City Attorney.

Mr. Stevo stated that if an individual reads them six months from now they should be able to completely understand what was said. He stated the most important comment he made was the JAWA meeting he attended and his explanation of what was said; the engineers work that cost millions of dollars is worthless. He asked when the next JAWA meeting is.

Treasurer Bilotto answered that the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled.

Mr. Stevo asked how much has the City paid the city law firm for the first year.

The Mayor directed Mr. Stevo to fill out a FOI.

Mr. Stevo asked what the City Attorney had done to satisfy his request for a legal written opinion.

The City Attorney stated that it could be arranged to give Mr. Stevo the information that evening.

Mr. Stevo asked why the City Treasurer continues to not report the city debt on the Treasurer's Report. He said the taxpayers should know how much debt there is outstanding.

The Mayor said they would make a note of that.

Mr. Stevo wanted to know when a Police Chief would be appointed.

The Mayor replied when the City has the financial situation under control.

Mary Poulsen invited everyone to attend Cruise Nights which are held every Monday at the corner of York and Western. On July 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be a fireworks display at Eisenhower High School. There will be free entry, \$5 parking at BevLab and Burr Oak Bowl, and \$20 to park in the parking lot of Eisenhower inside the gates. She thanked MetroSouth and CSX for their donations. She also thanked the Salvation Army and Ald. Carr's niece, Emily, who offered volunteers for the event. Ms. Poulsen invited anyone who would like to volunteer to contact her. She invited everyone to the second annual community parade that will be held July 4<sup>th</sup> starting at Paul Revere at 10:30 a.m. and ending on York St for the first of five TGIF Picnics.

**REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**MAYOR:** No Business.

**BIDS:** No Bids.

**CITY CLERK:**

**Motion by Ald. Johnson, second by Ald. Frausto to approve a request from Rev. Peter Contreras to have a Contreras Family Reunion to be held on Saturday, June 28, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Bethel Pentecostal Church.**

Ayes: 10 Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman,  
Johnson

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue

Abstain: 0

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Pittman to approve a request from MDA for the Blue Island Fire Department to participate in the "Fill the Boot" program on June 27<sup>th</sup>, July 11<sup>th</sup>, and August 15<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of August 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

Ayes: 10 Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman,  
Johnson

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue

Abstain: 0

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion by Ald. Stone, second by Ald. Carr to approve three request to have block parties.  
12900 Block of Elm St on July 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
3300 Block of Edison St on July 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
12500 Block of Elm St on July 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Ayes: 10 Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman,  
Johnson

Nays: 0

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Absent: 4 Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue  
 Abstain: 0

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**CITY TREASURER:**

Treasurer Bilotto had several announcements including: the JAWA meeting for June 26<sup>th</sup> is cancelled, the transition to Beverly Bank is almost completed, and the auditors are in and working diligently.

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-033**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CORRECTION TO ACCOUNTING JOURNAL ENTRIES TO TIF 1 AND TIF 2.**

**Motion by Ald. Johanson, second by Ald. Ostling to approve.**

Ayes: 10 Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
 Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman,  
 Johnson  
 Nays: 0  
 Absent: 4 Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue  
 Abstain: 0

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Community Development – Ald. Hawley, Chairman**

*Next Meeting – Wednesday, July 9, 2014, 7:00 – East Annex*

**Finance Committee – Ald. Rita, Chairman**

*Next Meeting – Tuesday, June 17, 2014, 6:30 – East Annex*

**Public Health & Safety Committee – Ald. Carr, Chairman**

*Next Meeting – Wednesday, July 2, 2014, 7:00 – East Annex*

**Municipal Services Committee – Ald. Johanson, Chairman**

*Next Meeting – Monday, July 7, 2014, 6:30 – East Annex*

**Judiciary Committee – Ald. Ostling, Chairman**

*Next Meeting – Tuesday, July 15, 2014, 6:00 – East Annex*

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**MOTIONS**

**Motion by Ald. Ostling, second by Ald. Carr to approve the Consent Agenda which includes:**

1. **Approval of Payroll – June 6, 2014 for \$371,186.91.**
2. **Approval of Accounts Payable – June 18, 2014 for \$170,004.79.**
3. **Committee Reports and Recommendations as presented**
4. **An Ordinance Restricting a Portion of a Certain Street at or near 12510 S. Highland Avenue for Handicapped Parking Only within the City of Blue Island, County of Cook, State of Illinois and Providing Penalties for the Violation Thereof.**

Ayes: 10 Frausto, Thompson, Johanson, Hawley,  
Vieyra, Stone, Carr, Ostling, Pittman,  
Johnson

Nays: 0

Absent: 4 Buckner, Bilotto, Rita, Donahue


Abstain: 0

There being Ten (10) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

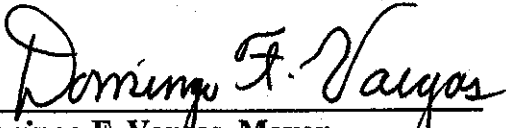
**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.  
The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled for  
July 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Randy Heuser, City Clerk

**APPROVED BY ME THIS**  
**8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2014.**

  
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Domingo F. Vargas, Mayor

