

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDING OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
AUGUST 11, 2021**

1) CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City of Blue Island was called to order by Mayor Bilotto at 6:00 p.m. on August 11, 2021.

2) ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicates the following:

Present: 8 Johnson, Fahrenwald, Roll, Mayor Bilotto,
Rita, Carr, McGee, Montoya

Absent: 0

Present Also: Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk
Jairo Frausto, City Treasurer
Erin Blake, City Attorney

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4) JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:

Motion to approve the Committee of the Whole Minutes as amended from July 14, 2021.

Ayes: 4 Montoya, Fahrenwald, Roll, Mayor Bilotto

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstention: 1 Carr

There being seven (4) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

5) PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None.

6) REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

1. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

1. NEW AUDITOR

This item was tabled.

2. WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT

Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Carr to place the Water Supply Agreement on the Regular Agenda for Approval.

Ayes:	7	Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll
Nays:	0	
Absent:	0	
Abstention:	0	

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

3. CODE ENFORCEMENT: CHRONIC NUISANCE PROPERTIES

Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Carr to place the amendment to the City Code relating to Chronic Nuisance Properties on the Regular Meeting Agenda for Approval, with the recommended changes from the Aldermen and Mayor.

Ayes:	7	Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll
Nays:	0	
Absent:	0	
Abstention:	0	

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

4. DOTY AND SONS' PROPOSAL FOR FLOWERPOTS

Mayor informed Aldermen of City's intention to purchase new flowerpots with allocated and previously approved monies. The Aldermen, Mayor, and Clerk also discussed the need for additional garbage cans on Western and in the lot next to eh Pavilion.

5. TOWER CAR WASH

Motion by Alderman Johnson, second by Alderman Roll to move forward with the project and for the ordinances for plat of vacation and plat of dedication to be placed on a Regular Meeting Agenda for approval when completed.

Ayes: 7 Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

6. VENDOR TAX

The Aldermen were presented with a memorandum detailing the vendor taxes and fees delineated throughout the City Code that were not being enforced. A discussion was held regarding potential solutions for the same.

7. SALE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY

Motion by Alderman Rita, second by Alderman Roll to place the Resolution providing authorization for the City to solicit bids for City Owned properties on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for approval.

Ayes: 7 Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

8. EQUIPMENT NEEDS AT MEADOWS GOLF COURSE AND SERVICESCAPE AGREEMENT

The Aldermen were presented with documentation detailing the significant equipment needs at the golf course and potential solutions presented by Servicescape relating to the same.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT:

The Mayor stated that School District #218 owes the city money. He spoke to Superintendent and he wasn't aware of the situation. Both the Police Department and our Finance Department have figured the police department officer liaison working at Eisenhower High School hasn't been paid since January 2018.

2. CITY CLERK:

- A. All of the City ordinances and resolutions will be uploaded and online by tomorrow.
- B. Welcome bags were ordered for new residents and aldermen were invited to contribute to the same.
- C. The City Clerk discussed the new process for permanent overnight parking in the City for non-residents.
- D. The City Clerk informed the Aldermen of the clean-up and organization occurring in City Hall.
- E. The City Clerk discussed her consideration of changing the hours for the City Clerk's office.

3. CITY TREASURER:

- A. No new report. The City Treasurer reviewed the past report ending on July 31st, per Alderman Fahrenwald's request.

4. CITY ATTORNEY:

1. RESIDENTIAL PARKING

Motion by Alderman Fahrenwald, second by Alderman Roll to place the ordinance amending the City Code regarding residential parking

on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for approval, with the recommended changes from the Aldermen and Mayor.

Ayes: 7 Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstention: 0

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

B. HANDICAPPED PARKING

Motion by Alderman Roll, second by Alderman Fahrenwald to place the ordinance amending the City Code regarding handicapped parking on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for approval, with the recommended changes from the Aldermen and Mayor.

Ayes: 7 Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstention: 0

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION

Motion by Alderman Rita, second by Alderman Johnson to place the ordinance amending the City Code regarding Administrative Adjudication on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for approval.

Ayes: 7 Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

D. BODY CAMERA QUOTE – AXON.

Motion by Alderman Johnson, second by Alderman Carr to place the resolution approving the quote for body camera from Axon on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for approval.

Ayes: 7 Johnson, Montoya, Rita, Fahrenwald, McGee, Carr, Roll

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstention: 0

There being seven (7) Affirmative Votes, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

E. VERIZON/5G

Attorney Blake stated that Verizon reached out and would like to start placing 5G technology in Blue Island. She recommends that an administrative process be implemented to assist in processing these applications.

F. CITY ENGINEER

The Aldermen reviewed a memorandum regarding the appointment of a City Engineer and the plan to present the appoint to council for approval and consent at the next Regular Board meeting.

G. ORV OPERATION.

The Mayor presented request from a resident to allow off road vehicles on city streets. The council indicated an unwillingness to allow ORV operation in the City.

H. BIDS FOR POLICE AND FIRE STATION ROOF

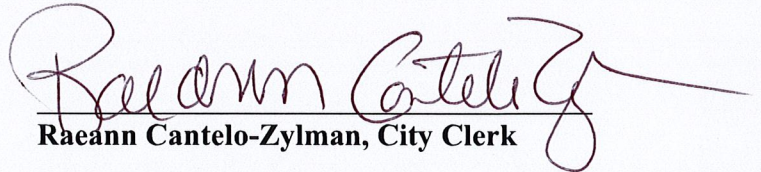
There was only one bid that came in for the police and fire station roof. Mayor informed the Aldermen that the city planned to go to bid again with more advertisement.

5. CITY ALDERMEN:

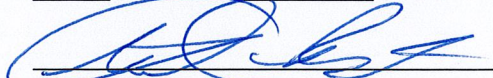
- A. Alderman McGee discussed the potential of participating in a self-evaluation session with IML.
- B. Alderman Fahrenwald discussed forestry, Cook County Building parking issues, neighborhood watch, the road fund, the capital improvement plan, Florence Street issues, and broadcasting issues.
- C. Aldermen Rita discussed garbage pickup and waste issues.

6. ADJOURNMENT

- A. The Mayor and Aldermen unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.


Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk

APPROVED BY ME THIS
____ DAY OF _____ 2021


Fred Bilotto, Mayor