

These minutes were approved at the 9/4/12 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 20, 2012

1. **Call to Order.** Acting Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Fuesting led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation.** The City Clerk gave the invocation.
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.** Roll call found Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, James E. Beifuss, Jr., H. Ronald Monroe, James Smith, Russell Radkiewicz, Ruben Pineda, Sandy Dimas, Alan Murphy, John C. Smith, Nanette B. Connelly, Rebecca Stout, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, and Matt Fuesting present. Alderman Kurt Meissner was absent. The Acting Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith and City Treasurer Donald F. Earley were also present. .

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, and City Administrator Michael L. Guttman.

5. **Public Participation.** The following person spoke during Public Participation:

Mr. Dave Libbey, SFI – Student Film Academy, 321 Allen Street, West Chicago, provided an update on the Film Academy's photo shoot at 114 Chicago Street. Mr. Libbey also remarked that he has found about 25 creative assets in the community. He said West Chicago is a unique community that can accommodate a lot of artists, but better connections are needed. His goal is to try to assemble those things. He would like to see a process that would make artists see West Chicago as a destination.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes** – August 6, 2012. Alderman Radkiewicz made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve the minutes of August 6, 2012, with no changes. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz, to approve the August 20, 2012, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 846,588.55. Voting Yea: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, John Smith, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy and Acting Mayor Pineda abstained. Motion carried.

8. **Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.**

* **Development Committee:** Acting Mayor Pineda read and explained the following items:

A. Ordinance 12-O-0028 – An Ordinance Granting Deviations for Pavement Slope and Turf Grading – 1651 Atlantic Drive – West Chicago Fire Protection District

B. Ordinance 12-O-0029 – An Ordinance Granting Deviations for Pavement Slope and Turf Grading – 1080 Commerce Drive – West Chicago Fire Protection District

C. Add – Ancel Glink Diamond Bush DiCianni & Krafhefer to the List of Approved Attorneys

D. Ordinance 12-O-0030 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago Regarding Pollution Control Facility Site Approval Procedures

Alderman Monroe made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Infrastructure Committee:** No report

* **Public Affairs Committee:** Alderman Chassee read the following item and invited State Representative Mike Fortner to explain.

E. Ordinance 12-O-0034 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Chapter 2, Section 2-8 – Wards Designated.

State Representative Fortner said after the Census (held every 10 years) government entities must look at the numbers and see if they comply with the law providing equal districts. If not, they must redistrict. West Chicago received their numbers in 2011, and based on them, there were sufficient deviations to require a redistricting. Each ward should have about the same number of population; from the largest to the smallest there should be no more than a 10% difference. The Federal Voting Rights Act also requires sensitivity to minority populations. Three wards were out of range. Representative Fortner prepared three possible plans. He wished to avoid splitting precincts and subdivisions. After discussion with the Public Affairs Committee, the recommendation was to go with Plan B. Representative Fortner explained the changes, such as the Prestonfield subdivision went from Ward 7 to Ward 4, and other ward lines were shifted as needed to keep equal population. Alderman Chassee thanked Representative Fortner on behalf of the Public Affairs Committee and the City Council for taking his time and mathematical prowess to develop the new ward map.

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fuesting, to adopt Ordinance 12-O-0034. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Finance Committee:** No Report

* **Items Not Sent to Committee:** The Acting Mayor read and explained the following items:

F. Resolution 12-R-0058 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Downtown Rehabilitation Façade Program Agreement with Isaac Chavez – 134 Main Street

G. Resolution 12-R-0072 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Boller Construction Company, Inc., for Services Related to the Digester #2 Improvement Project (for an amount not to exceed \$781,000)

H. Resolution 12-R-0073 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Wayne Regarding the Establishment of a Quiet Zone on Smith Road

Alderman Murphy made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

- August 21, 2012	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- August 23, 2012	Finance Committee (cancelled)
- August 27, 2012	Public Affairs Committee
- August 28, 2012	Historical Preservation Commission

City Clerk Smith announced that the West Chicago Historical Society would be having their Annual Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction on September 8, 2012, from noon until 3:00 pm at the Kruse House. Afterwards, people can go to the VFW 19th District's fundraiser at the West Chicago VFW Post on the same day, from 2:00 – 9:00 pm for a steak dinner.

The Acting Mayor called upon Melissa Birch, Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary to West Chicago American Legion Post 300, to announce that there would be a Bowling for the American Legion fundraiser. Ms. Birch said the event would be held on September 14, 2012, from 9:30 pm to midnight. Cost is \$20.00 per person. Acting Mayor Pineda said this is very important and he would like to get everyone there. There will be raffles and door prizes, and people will have a great time for a great cause.

Acting Mayor Pineda said there were two children reported missing on Saturday. One was an autistic 13 year old and the other was 5 years old. The Mayor praised the impressive coming

together of CERT, ESDA, the police, and the fire department. Furthermore, there were units from Warrenville, Wheaton, Forest Preserve Police, DuPage County, Kane County and even Cook County. Chief of Police Perez got a contact with Homeland Security which brought in a helicopter. The children were gone about 4 ½ - 5 hours and then were found eating pizza at Penske Truck near the bike path. The workers thought they were children of customers there. The Acting Mayor said it was very amazing how this community pulled together, and he would like to thank everyone personally.

13. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

14. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session. Not applicable.

15. Adjournment. At 7:26 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk