

These minutes were approved at the 8/18/14 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 4, 2014

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Becky Stout led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation.** No invocation was given.
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll Call found Aldermen James E. Beifuss, Jr., Donald F. Earley, James Smith, Laura Grodoski, Alton Hallett, Alan Murphy, John C. Smith, Kurt Meissner, Mark Edwalds, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Matt Fuesting present. Aldermen Lori J. Chassee and Sandy Dimas were absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was absent.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond and City Administrator Michael L. Guttman.

5. Public Participation.

The following people spoke during Public Participation:

- (1) Patrick McAssey (815 Town Road) – Mr. McAssey requested that the City Council consider changing the City Code to allow backyard chickens.
- (2) Railroad Days Parade Winners: Mayor Pineda and David Sabathne, Executive Director of the Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce presented the 2014 Railroad Days Awards Winners, as follows:

Heritage Award	Community High School Band
Grand Marshall Award	Trinity Lutheran Church
Turner Award	First United Methodist Church of West Chicago
Award to the Grand Marshall	Ted Phillips

- (3) Sara Phalen, the City Museum Director, presented the Artéculture Awards sponsored by the Cultural Arts Commission, as follows:

People's Choice Award	Dianne Gage
Cultural Arts Commission Adult Honoree	Judy Knaak
Cultural Arts Commission Student Honoree	Colm Keeney

6. City Council Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2014. Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Murphy, to approve the minutes of July 21, 2014, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman John C. Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jim Smith, to approve the August 4, 2014, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$684,284.55. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote. None

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business.

- (1) Alderman Grodoski requested the City Council's concurrence to refer the issue of backyard chickens to the Public Affairs Committee. There were no objections.
- (2) Alderman Meissner requested the City Council's concurrence to refer the issue of the incomplete sidewalk network within the Prairie Meadows Subdivision to the Infrastructure Committee. There were no objections.
- (3) Alderman Meissner requested the City Council's concurrence to refer the issue of locally regulating "jake" braking on State Highways to the Public Affairs Committee. There were no objections.

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

August 5, 2014	Plan Commission/ZBA
August 7, 2014	Infrastructure Committee
August 11, 2014	Development Committee
August 14, 2014	Finance Committee

- (1) Alderman Stout reminded the public that National Night Out is taking place on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at Reed-Keppler Park from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
- (2) Mayor Pineda reminded the public that the entire community is invited to the United Way campaign kick-off in West Chicago on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at the Leman Middle School from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

13. Mayor's Comments.

Mayor Pineda informed the City Council and the public that former Alderman Connelly had been in the hospital and now, since her health is improving, is being moved to a rehabilitation facility. He also informed the City Council and the public that former Alderman Eugene Wind passed away, and read a list of his accomplishments in West Chicago for which the community will forever be grateful.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:25 p.m., Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grodoski, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Guttman
City Administrator