

These minutes were approved at the 3/21/16 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

March 7, 2016

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Members of the West Chicago Police Department headed by Chief of Police Uplegger 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., Donald F. Earley, Jayme Sheahan, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Ferguson, John C. Smith, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. Aldermen Laura Grodoski, Kurt Meissner, and Mark Edwalds were absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Chief of Police Mike Uplegger, Police Commander Eric Shipman, and many members of the Police Department.

5. **Public Participation.**

The following person spoke during Public Participation:

Martin McManamon, Wayne Township Highway Commissioner, 4N230 Klein Road, West Chicago, IL 60185, spoke about the proposed plan for a Wayne Township bike path. He would like the City Council to endorse a resolution in support of the bike plan at the next Council meeting. He sent a copy of the plan to everyone, but it is also up on the Wayne Township web site. He would appreciate any help in this project. The Mayor said the Klein Creek people are interested. The Mayor said this is a fantastic plan that can join with other bike paths.

A. Presentation of Three Life Saving Awards. Mayor Pineda and Chief Uplegger presented awards to the following officers:

* Officer Jose Gaztambide – while on patrol, Officer Gaztambide was dispatched to aid a woman having chest pains. He administered CPR and revived her. She was transported to the hospital and has fully recovered. Officer Gaztambide saved a life.

* Officer Michael Zepeda – while on patrol, Officer Zepeda was dispatched to aid a person who had overdosed. He administered NARCAN and CPR. The patient regained consciousness and was transported to the hospital and has fully recovered. Officer Zepeda saved a life.

* Officer Michael Cummings - while on patrol, Officer Cummings was dispatched to aid a person who had overdosed. He administered NARCAN and CPR. The patient regained consciousness and was transported to the hospital and has fully recovered. Officer Cummings saved a life.

All three officers received a standing ovation from the City Council and members of the audience. The Mayor thanked them for their actions. He said he always speaks highly of the West Chicago police officers. He believes they are the best in the nation. The residents love what they do to keep them safe. The Mayor said there is a huge problem with heroin so it is great that there is something to counteract overdoses. The Mayor said he was very proud of the police officers and so is the City Council.

B. Proclamation: National Athletic Training Month. At the Mayor's request, the City Clerk read the proclamation in which he noted that athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity in multiple settings. The Mayor proclaimed March as *National Athletic Training Month* in West Chicago. The Mayor then presented the proclamation to athletic trainers from ATI Physical Therapy.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2016.** Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to approve the minutes of February 15, 2016, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Earley, Sheahan, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith,

Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Aldermen Chassee and Stout abstained. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to approve the March 7, 2016, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$457,556.18. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Earley, Sheahan, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

* **Infrastructure Committee:** Alderman Beifuss read and explained the following items:

A. Ordinance 16-O-0011 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Equipment, Stock Inventory, and/or Personal Property Owned by the City of West Chicago.

B. Approve – Change Order #1 and Final for the 2015 Contractual Crack Sealing Program with Denler, Inc. (for an amount not to exceed \$3,039.47)

C. Resolution 16-R-0013 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Execute and Submit, to the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (BLR 14230), and the Illinois Department of Transportation Municipal Estimate of Maintenance Costs (BLR 14231), for Expenditures Using Motor Fuel Tax Funds for FY 2016

Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Smith, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Earley, Sheahan, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Public Affairs Committee:** Alderman Chassee read and explained the following items:

D. Approve – St. Andrew Lutheran Church's Stations of the Cross Procession Event on March 25, 2016

E. Approve – St. Mary's Parish's Stations of the Cross Event on March 25, 2016

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to approve the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Earley, Sheahan, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Items Not Sent to Committee:** Mayor Pineda read and explained the following item:

F. Resolution 16-R-0012 – A Resolution to Adopt the Municipal Legislative Priorities of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference for the 2016 Legislative Session

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve the above item. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Earley, Sheahan, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

- March 14, 2015	Development Committee
- March 15, 2016	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals

The City Clerk announced that the German Sister City visitors would be here next week. She and Carol Vigsnes will be decorating the Library's display window in their honor.

The City Clerk also announced that there would be a Spaghetti Dinner at the VFW on Route 59, on April 1, 2016, from 4:00 – 8:00 pm. To-go boxes will be available for those who want to bring dinner home.

Alderman Ferguson said there are many activities planned for the German visitors. One is a reception to be held at 6:00 pm before the City Council meeting on March 21, 2016. The Aldermen are invited to arrive early. There will be a St. Patrick's Day Dinner on March 19, 2016, at the American Legion. Everyone is invited to attend.

Dave Sabathne, President and CEO of the Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce, announced that Railroad Days will be held July 7-10, 2016, at Pioneer Park. The Parade, however, will remain on the same route it always has been. Entertainment will include Pink Floyd before and after the fireworks. They also will have a bags tournament and are looking for volunteers to help with that event. The Mayor said he was very excited about the festival and that it will be in his neighborhood. Eventually, the festival will be held in the beautiful park to be built on the old Kerr-McGee site.

The Mayor said Alderman Banas participated in the Polar Plunge as did Chief Uplegger. Alderman Banas said he will do it again. The Mayor said \$2,600.00 was raised which was short of the \$5,000.00 goal so they will work on raising more next year.

13. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor congratulated the West Chicago High School Varsity Boys basketball team for winning the Upstate Eight Valley Division Conference for the first time in 113 years. They won their game against Waubonsie Valley, and lost by one point to York High School. One of the players is a junior so he will be back next year.

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 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