

These minutes were approved at the 4/15/19 City Council meeting with changes by Alderman Beifuss.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
April 1, 2019

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Short 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., Heather Brown, Jayme Sheahan, Michael D. Ferguson, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Matthew E. Garling, Christopher Swiatek, Jeanne M. Short, Rebecca Stout, Bonnie A. Gagliardi, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Chief of Police Mike Uplegger, and Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner.

5. Public Participation.

A. Presentation: Local Government Academy. Adrian Martinez, Community Outreach Specialist/Latino Ombudsman, spoke of the program to teach youth about local government. The following are the Latino Government Academy 2019 Winter Program Participants who received their certificates of completion from Mayor Pineda:

1. William J. Antonio
2. Guadalupe Arriola
3. Martin A. Benavides
4. Darlyn Y. Espinal
5. Michelle J. Espinal
6. Diana G. Reyes
7. Odeth G. Rubio
8. Citlali Santiago
9. Diego Villafuerte

The Mayor thanked Mr. Marquez and the students. This is the first of more programs to come. He said these are our future leaders.

6. City Council Meeting Minutes – March 18, 2019. Alderman Garling made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beifuss, to approve the minutes of March 18, 2019, with no changes. Voting Aye: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to approve the April 1, 2019, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$314,046.72. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

* **Finance Committee:**

A. Resolution 19-R-0016 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Host Community Benefit Agreement Between the City of West Chicago and Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC for a Solid Waste Transfer Facility. (This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and voted upon separately.)

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

B. Ordinance 19-O-0004 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8, Article I, Administrative Adjudication System, of the West Chicago Code of Ordinances

C. Ordinance 19-O-0006 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Article II, Division 6, Animal Control and Care, of the West Chicago Code of Ordinances

D. Resolution 19-R-0021 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Funding Agreement with the Mexican Cultural Center to Support the 2019 Mexican Independence Day Event

E. Approve – The West Chicago Community High School District 94 Homecoming Parade – Scheduled for Friday, October 18, 2019

F. Approve – The ABD Cycle Club Memorial Day Race – Scheduled for Monday, May 27, 2019

G. Approve – St. Mary Catholic Church Stations of the Cross – Scheduled for Friday, April 19, 2019

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hallett, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

H. Resolution 19-R-0018 – A Resolution Making a Determination Relative to the Release of Executive Session Minutes Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act

I. Resolution 19-R-0019 – A Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Audio Recordings of Certain Closed Meetings

Alderman Brown made a motion, seconded by Alderman Garling, to approve the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees.

A. Resolution 19-R-0020 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of West Chicago and Pace, the Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation Authority. Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ligino-Kubinski, to approve Resolution 19-R-0020. During discussion, Alderman Chassee said this will enhance the Winfield Township bus services for seniors. Alderman Brown had a number of questions regarding the finances which City Administrator Guttman answered. Mayor Pineda said this will be good for West Chicago. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion Carried.

10. Unfinished Business. From **8A. Resolution 19-R-0016** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Host Community Benefit Agreement Between the City of West Chicago and Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC for a Solid Waste Transfer Facility. Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to approve Resolution 19-R-0016. During extensive discussion, concern was expressed about the hydro excavation waste provision and just exactly what that meant. Lakeshore's Consultant John Hock answered many questions. Alderman Garling was concerned that this is a second waste transfer station in West Chicago, and we get our water from the ground. He is also concerned about odors and the impact on existing businesses. He would like this matter to go back to Committee to get these questions answered. The Mayor introduced the City's Attorney Dennis Walsh. He said whether the City enters into a Host Agreement or not, Lakeshore has the right to file an application. The City Council will determine if they meet the nine criteria. If they do, then the City has to approve it. Alderman Beifuss had the same concerns as Alderman Garling. He was also concerned with the hydro-excavation waste, as he doesn't see any details. He does not know about the valuation for tipping. He would like staff to investigate the numbers. Alderman Garling made a motion to table, seconded by Alderman Beifuss. Alderman Garling withdrew his motion to table and Alderman Beifuss withdrew his second because he had a number of different questions about this Agreement. It looks like they can be moving more waste than the City of Chicago. Once the Agreement is signed it is done. He would like the City Administrator to ask if Lakeshore could provide a higher tipping fee. He has concerns about this hydro excavation waste and asked if there are any other cities in Illinois with this. Alderman Chassee, Stout and Hallett were in favor of the Agreement. Aldermen Beifuss and Garling still expressed concerns. Alderman Dimas said they will have an opportunity to ask

more questions. Alderman Liginio-Kubinski called the question. Seconded by Alderman Stout. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Liginio-Kubinski. Voting Nay: Aldermen Beifuss and Garling. Voting Present: Alderman Brown. Motion Carried.

Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch- Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Liginio-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: Aldermen Beifuss and Garling. Alderman Brown voted present. Motion carried.

11. New Business. None

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

- April 2, 2019	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- April 4, 2019	Infrastructure Committee (cancelled)
- April 8, 2019	Development Committee

The City Clerk announced that the refurbishing of the tank and airplane at the VFW Post would occur on Saturday, April 13, and Sunday, April 14, 2019. Doing the work will be members of SMART 365, Local. Everyone is invited out to see this work get done.

13. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor said the Union Pacific is celebrating the last spike that connected the railroad. The event will be July 28 and 29 here in West Chicago. They are bringing in two steam engines. He is glad that they have chosen West Chicago. They will be parked right next to the Police Department. There will be two engines and he would like the entire community including schools to come out.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:59 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