

These minutes were approved at the 7/19/10 City Council meeting with no changes
CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
July 6, 2010

- 1. Call to Order.** Mayor Michael B. Kwasman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** The 2010 Railroad Days Parade Grand Marshal Merle Burleigh 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, Sandy Dimas, Alan Murphy, John C. Smith, Joey Gianforte, Nanette B. Connelly, Rebecca Stout, and Matt Fuesting present. Aldermen Ruben Pineda and Nicholas Dzierzanowski were absent. The 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, Museum and Cultural Services Director LuAnn Bombard, and City Administrator Michael L. Guttman.

- 5. Public Participation.** The following persons spoke during public participation:

- 1) John Kruser, CableCom, Channel 17, announced a short film, *Park District Profile*, would be shown this Thursday at 6:30 pm.

- 2) David Sabathne, Executive Director of the West Chicago Chamber of Commerce and Industry, spoke about the 2010 Railroad Days festival, which is a wonderful community gathering. He said there would be great entertainment, new exciting rides, and the parade would have Merle Burleigh as the Grand Marshal. She will ride in the miniature CN train along with members of the International Problem Solving Team from Pioneer School. Ten West Chicago restaurants will be featured. Ten bands with West Chicago roots will also perform along with other noted entertainers. There will be a free shuttle bus to and from the park that will stop in several downtown locations. Mr. Sabathne thanked the Mayor and City Council for all the City's help in preparing for Railroad Days. He hoped to see everyone there. The Mayor thanked him and said everyone was looking forward to it.

- 6. Correspondence and Announcements.**

Upcoming Meetings. The Mayor announced the following meetings.

- July 7, 2010 Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- July 12, 2010 Development Committee

- 7. Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz, to approve the July 6, 2010, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 481,998.04. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy abstained. Motion carried.

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

- * **Development Committee:** No report

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

- A. Resolution 10-R-0060** – A Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Public Improvements for the Development Known as the Franciscan Way Subdivision

- B. Resolution 10-R-0061** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement for the 2010 Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Program – RJN Group, Inc. (not to exceed \$107,785)

- C. Resolution 10-R-0062** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement for the North Avenue Sewer and Lift Station Feasibility Study – AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (not to exceed \$26,558)

Alderman Beifuss also announced that employees of the contractor doing the street repairs are on strike so some road repairs are on hold until the situation resolves itself.

Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

D. Ordinance 10-O-0055 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Chapter 17, Article XIV, Stopping, Standing, and Parking

E. Ordinance 10-O-0056 – An Ordinance Modifying Chapter 4, Article I, Sections 4-11(a) & (b); and, Chapter 9, Article IX, Sections 9-166 through 9-169 and Chapter 9, Article XIX, Sections 9-501 through 9-504 and Chapter 9, Article XXV, Section 9-711 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Monroe, to adopt the items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Finance Committee:** No report

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

F. Approve – City Council Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2010

G. Approve – DU-COMM to Use a VHF Radio Frequency 158.9100 Owned by the City

H. Resolution 10-R-0063 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Labor Agreement Between the City of West Chicago and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150

Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gianforte, to adopt those items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor said everyone is looking forward to another phenomenal Railroad Days event. Two important aspects are that West Chicago took the lead in funding its festival while other communities have dropped theirs, and the parade and festival are free. When times are tough this is an important way to bring West Chicagoans together. People do not have to buy food; they can bring their own and have a picnic. People can enjoy themselves in West Chicago and introduce others to West Chicago. He invited everyone to come and said he is looking forward to seeing all the Aldermen there. The City would like to hear from everyone with their comments and what they would like to see in the future.

13. Executive Session. At 7:20 pm, Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to recess into executive session to discuss land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) (6)], personnel matters [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)].

Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried. Minutes for the executive session are filed separately.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:37 pm. Roll call found Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting present.

14. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session.

1) **Resolution 10-R-0064** – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the West Chicago Park District and the City of West Chicago for Acquisition and Use of Property for Construction of a Water Tower.

Alderman Murphy made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beifuss, to approve Resolution 10-R-0064. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

2) **Ordinance 10-O-0057** - An Ordinance Declaring it Necessary or Convenient for the City of West Chicago, to Use, Occupy, or Improve Certain Real Property Owned by the West Chicago Park District

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt Ordinance 10-O-0057. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

15. Adjournment. At 7:39 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