

Elmhurst City Council
March 17, 2008
7:40 to 9:55 p.m.

None Absent
Public: (ca.) 70
Mary Costello, Observer

Accounts Payable dated March 17, 2008, totaled \$4,881,166.95. Highlights:

- Bell Fuels Inc., ultra low sulfur diesel, \$18,887.
- Carpet Crafts, Inc., partial removal, replacement carpet, \$15,000
- Don Ragona Trucking, snow removal, \$18,934.
- DuPage Water Commission, fixed cost and water consumption, \$145,974.
- Elmhurst Claims Acct., claims services, \$33,347.
- Peoples' Energy Services Corp., monthly electric, \$55,234.
- Poco Paulson Oil Co., mid-grade ethanol, \$19,809.
- Hand-issued checks:
 - Elmhurst claims acct. (alternative), self-insured loss fund, \$37,818.
 - Elmhurst Ford, 2 replacement vehicles, \$41,700.

Consent Agenda included the following, and was approved in entirety:

- Permit for Blue Freedom Farm Markets, garden center at North Ave. & Rt. 83. April 20 to July 15.
- MCO-04-2008 Tasty Tropical Sno, for a pushcart business, selling sno cones in downtown areas.
- Allied Waste Contract increase, from \$12.13 to \$12.44 for 33 gallon cans, and from \$16.98 to \$17.98 for 96 gallon totes. Refuse stickers, from \$1.75 to \$2.00, and yard waste stickers to \$2.25 from \$2.00.
- Purchase of two Ford pick-up trucks for Police Dept. Price with trade-in allowances: \$15,285 for 4 x 2, \$12,644 for 4 x 4.
- Vallette St. east of York Farmers' Market, Wednesdays, from June 4 to October 15, 7:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
- Amendment in signage ordinance to allow "blade" signs, which project from building, over the sidewalk.

Council discussed at length proposals for building of Fire Station #2. Three companies were considered. Selection committee, composed of Fire Chief Kopp, Deputy Chief Bacidore, Building Commissioner Dubiel and Public Works Operations Mgr. Morley, chose James Mc Hugh Co., who will provide full-time construction manager for the project. Council voted 13 to 1 to accept Mc Hugh, with Ald. Shea voting nay.

Council again considered EMH vote. The six members who voted Nay at previous meeting explained their positions, commenting on the letter-writing campaign waged by hospital employees. "I'm still reading them," said Ald. Szczepaniak. In the end, all were in agreement. Ald. Nybo abstained, but, per Rules, his vote went with the majority. Leo Fronza thanked the Council for bringing their "differences of opinion to closure."

City will sponsor a hazardous waste collection at the Public Works garage, 985 S. Riverside Drive, on Saturday, May 3; from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Unwanted cell phones

are included items. More information at www.dupageco.org/edu “Waste and recycling” or (630) 407-6760.