

Elmhurst City Council
July 21, 2008
7:34 p.m. to 10:50 p.m.

Absent: Szczepaniak
Public: (ca.) 30
Mary Costello, Observer.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor for a Day Charles Hooker, who read his essay, which won over 1223 others. Charles is entering fourth grade at Emmanuel Lutheran School.

During Public Forum, several speakers commented about construction and traffic concerns.

Accounts Payable dated July 21, 2008, totaled \$1,081,055.28 Highlights included:

- Alexander Equipment Co., Inc, brush chipper, knife grinding, truck parts, \$42,706.
- Allied Waste Services, refuse collection, \$241,577.
- Arrow Road Construction, street resurfacing, asphalt patching, \$196,557.
- Clarke Environmental Mosquito Mgt., mosquito abatement, \$49,219.
- DuPage Water Commission, fixed costs, water consumption, \$167,846.
- Elmhurst City Centre, RE tax distribution. Interest and TIF contribution to SSA #6 & 7. \$43,669.
- Winkler's Tree Service, Inc., Dutch Elm Disease tree removal, \$45,354.

Consent Agenda included the following:

- Request from Ald. Nybo, Leader and Bram that City consider merits of NEV's, neighborhood electric vehicles, small cars with no pollution, traveling 20 to 25 mph.
- Acceptance of low bid for water main improvement project on Bryan, Washington and Swain, \$849,215; and 2008 concrete pavement patching program, \$95,603.
- Parking restrictions for east side of Maple Ave., 2nd to 3rd Street: 3 hr. parking Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Cuvee Cellars will add a packaged liquor license to its WBB wine beer bar category.
- Renewal of Metro Paramedic Services contract; City pays maximum of \$390,615 for first year, \$410,146 for second year.
- Resolution in support of City of Chicago's 2016 Olympic bid.
- Partial refunding of 2000 general obligation bond issue and issuance of 2008 general obligation bond, at \$8,215,000.
- Council endorsed use of rain gardens as an attractive, "green" alternative to back yard drainage program, but decided against City involvement beyond providing information.

Proposal to restrict parking on Elm St. near YMCA was discussed and sent back to Committee, as being unfair to neighbors.

0-23-2008 Hahn Street: After extended discussion, and defeat of motions to table (only 5 Ayes), vote for Closure (7 Ayes, but needed 8 to pass), vote to amend (only 2 ayes), Council voted 7 to 6 to accept Ordinance of Agreement with Morningside/Hahn to build \$46 million development of condos (102), row homes (7), 142 public parking spaces, underground parking for condos, business spaces and public lawn/event space. Mayor Marcucci cast the 8th vote, needed when voting for an Ordinance. Voting Nay were Gutenkauf, Shea, Bram, Moriarty, Nybo and Lomnicki.

Information packet included the following:

Notice of appointment of Paul Nolte to the Board of Trustees of Firemen's Pension Fund.

Decision of Finance, Council Affairs and Administrative Services Committee to suggest a 1/2 % increase in sales tax, to 8%, reflecting decreases in collections of property and sales taxes.