

CITY OF HIGHWOOD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Tuesday January 15, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Pecaro at 6:05 P.M.

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Pecaro, Aldermen: Falberg, Hospodarsky, Fiore, Peterson

Absent: Alderman Slavin

Also Present: City Manager Coren, City Attorney Jablecki, Assistant City Manager Martin, City Treasurer Jalonek, City Clerk Baruffi, Administrative Assistant/Accounts Payable Litjens

2. Public Hearing - None

3. Review of Minutes to be Approved

3.1. **City Council: December 18 , 2018**

3.2. **Committee of the Whole: December 18, 2018**

Both sets of minutes will be approved at the Regular City Council Meeting this evening.

4. Appointments (Mayor Pecaro)

4.1. Moved by Alderman Falberg, seconded by Alderman Hospodarsky Mayor's appointment of **James Levi** to fill the vacated Aldermanic position. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Voting

Yes: Aldermen: Falberg, Hospodarsky, Fiore, Peterson, Mayor Pecaro

Absent: Alderman Slavin

5. Review of Bill Warrant List

5.1. **01/15/2019 AP Warrant List**

City Manager Coren pointed out the tuck pointing and roof costs for the library, which the City paid. The road project came under the engineers estimate.

Body cameras for Police Officers were discussed.

Hitchcock Design will present at the next meeting.

6. Unfinished Business - None

7. New Business

7.1 A Discussion on the November 2018 Treasurer 's Report .

City Treasurer David Jalonek reviewed the November 2018 Treasurer's Report,

7.2 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Boundary Realignment and Planning Agreement with Highland Park .

The southeast corner of Waukegan and Highwood Avenues will be in Highland Park. Lee Ori's property on the south side of Burtis Avenue will be located in Highland Park. The Domino's property, Fiore property, and properties on Burtis Avenue will be in Highwood. The Grandi Brothers property will be incorporated into Highwood's boundaries.

7.3 Consideration of a Resolution Supporting a State of Illinois Capital Bill to Maintain the Existing Metra System in the State of Good Repair .

This resolution will be passed at the Regular City Council this evening.

7.4 A Discussion on the Number of Members that may be Appointed to the Appearance Review Committee .

Currently there are 5 members on the Appearance Review Committee. Decided 5 to 7 members would be a good number. This change will be voted on in the future.

7.5 A Discussion on an Engineer's Memo Regarding the Current Condition of the Lake Michigan Shoreline Adjacent to the Highwood Water Treatment Plant .

It was noted the Highwood water treatment plant has experienced erosion due to continuous wave action, as well as the level of the lake rising 2 ½ - 3 feet over the last 15 years. Discussion ensued. It is recommended to budget \$150,000.00 in fiscal year 2020 for partial improvements and engineering.

7.6 A Review of an Upcoming Community Opinion Survey .

Assistant City Manager Martin reviewed the draft for a Community Opinion Survey. Some of the recommendations discussed were the length of the survey, response rate of most surveys, but the survey is visually appealing. However, at this time, it was decided not to follow through with a survey.

7.7 A Discussion of the 2020 Draft Budget .

City Manager Coren reviewed the proposed draft budget inclusions such as, but not limited to:

- Reconstruction of Ashland Avenue and the alley between Walker and Webster Avenues
- Everts Park improvements
- Sidewalk repairs to avoid trip hazards
- Water plant stabilization
- Storm sewer repairs
- Crack sealing

8. Executive Session (If Necessary)

9. Any Action Necessary Coming Out of Executive Session

10. Adjournment Moved by Alderman Fiore, seconded by Alderman Hospodarsky to adjourn the meeting. All present voting aye, by voice vote. Motion carried. Mayor Pecaro adjourned the meeting at 7:41 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karin J. Baruffi, City Clerk

Reviewed and Approved by Council on: _____