

# MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Tuesday, January 03, 2023 at 6:06 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr., presiding.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## III. INVOCATION

## IV. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call being taken, the following members were present:

Present: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Absent: Murphy

Alderman Smith moved, seconded by Alderman January to allow Alderman Murphy remote participation via Zoom.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

## MOTION CARRIED

## V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

5-1 Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meetings, **December 19, 2022**

5-2 Approval of Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **December 19, 2022**

5-3 Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property Owned by the City of North Chicago

5-4 Approval of Amo Athletes Donation in Amount Not to Exceed **\$500**

5-5 Approval of Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Agreement between the City of North Chicago and Mutual Aid Box Alarm System-Illinois

5-6 Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of an Agreement between the City of North Chicago and the Owens Group, December 1, 2022 thru December 1, 2023, in Amount Not to Exceed **\$78,296**

5-7 Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of an Agreement between the City of North Chicago and Bonnell Industries Inc. for Purchase of Stainless Steel Hopper Spreader with Anti-Icing Capability in an Amount Not to Exceed **\$17,000**

5-8 Approving Property Tax Abatement Ordinance for the General Obligation Series **2007C**

5-9 Approval of the ICOPS Collective Bargaining Agreement

5-10 Approval of Settlement Agreement between the City of North Chicago, Illinois Council of Police and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police

- 5-11 Consideration/ Approval of Ordinance adding a G-P Liquor License for H & Daughters, **1012 Audrey Nixon Blvd.**
- 5-12 Consideration/Approval of Ordinance adding a B-W(2) Liquor Licenses for Shibu John of St. Martin Gas, **2704 Martin Luther King Dr.**
- 5-13 Consideration/Approval of Ordinance adding a G-P Liquor Licenses for Shibu John of St. Martin Gas, **2704 Martin Luther King Dr.**

**Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda 5-1 thru 5-13 as presented.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Christen Hyatte**

Mr. Hyatte introduced himself and said that he was owner of NC Dollar Plus. He would like to work with the City. Since opening his store there have been clothing giveaways, few complaints and noted that the Mayor and few aldermen visited; he wanted to make a difference for the youth. He asked the responsibility of the trash on the street in front of business.

Mayor Rockingham appreciated him attending meeting and looked forward to working with him. He also said that trash immediately in front of a business should be cleaned up by the business owner. Beyond the business is the City's responsibility.

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

- 7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENTS – GLORIA CARR, HAL DAVIS AND PAULA CARBALLIDO FOR 3 YEAR TERM; ANGELICA DOUGLASS, RENEE JONES AND ANTONIO JACKSON FOR 2 YEAR TERM

**Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the resolution for Planning & Zoning Commission Reappointments – Gloria Carr, Hal Davis and Paula Carballido for 3 year term; Angelica Douglass, Renee Jones and Antonio Jackson for 2 year term.**

Alderman Jackson asked if all the appointees were North Chicago residents. Mayor Rockingham explained that Hal Davis represented the business portion of the board requirement and all others were residents. Alderman Allen questioned the location of his business; the Mayor was unsure and obtain that information.

Attorney Silverman explained there would be an amendment to the Resolution; Hal Davis would be removed from the Resolution and there needed to be an amendment to the motion. Mayor Rockingham asked Economic Development Director Victor Barrera if Mr. Davis remained a North Chicago business owner; he would look into it.

**Alderman Evans amended motion, Alderman Mayfield seconded amendment to approve the Resolution with the exception of Hal Davis.**

Alderman January asked if there were others that may have been interested in becoming a board member. Mayor Rockingham said there were inquires and if there was a vacancy he offers those; many times they don't want to be on the board available. Those that are serving were not going to be replaced if already in position and willing to serve.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

Mayor Rocking offered the Council to send board candidates to him for inquires if wanting to serve. City Planner Nimrod Warda explained that the board members were not required to live in North Chicago. Mayor Rockingham said he would prefer North Chicago residents; the Council agreed.

**7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

<b>General Corporate Fund</b>	<b>\$ 186,692.18</b>
<b>Motor Fuel Tax</b>	<b>\$ 14,800.33</b>
<b>Water Operations</b>	<b>\$ 108,087.98</b>
<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$ 11,117.66</b>
<b>TIF II Downtown/Industrial</b>	<b>\$ 10,338.20</b>
<b>Capital Project</b>	<b>\$ 12,399.44</b>
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	<b>\$ 343,435.79</b>

**MOTION:**

**Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run 01/03/23 the amount of **\$343,435.79** when funds become available.**

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds and amount of funds as of close on Friday. Assistant Comptroller Tawanda Joyner explained funds were available to cover the bill run with the exception of the Grant Fund & Sheridan Crossing which would be corrected in FY2023. Alderman January questioned the amounts of those. Ms. Joyner explained the Grant Fund reimbursement of \$920,407.14 and Sheridan Crossing TIF in the amount of \$620,057.34.

Ms. Joyner said the balance of the Water Fund as of Thursday December 29<sup>th</sup> evening was **\$5,419,862.80**

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Jackson, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: None

Absent: January

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **VARIOUS CONCERNS AND COMMENTS**

- Alderman Evans announced 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Meeting, February 11 at Foss Park Community Center 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. There would be other activities in addition to the meeting.

#### **X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that the meeting stand adjourned.

#### **MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

#### **ATTEST:**

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**Lori L. Collins, City Clerk**