

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting, Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:04 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, Murphy, January

Absent: None

V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

- 5-1 Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, **January 17, 2023**
- 5-2 Approval of Minutes of Standing Committee Meetings, **January 17, 2023**
- 5-3 Resolution Approving an Amendment to the City of North Chicago Safety Manual regarding Personnel Protective Equipment
- 5-4 Approval for the Appointment of Tawanda Joyner as Interim Comptroller
- 5-5 Approval of Amending the Agreement with Comprehensive TTP LLC for an Amount Not to Exceed **\$12,810** Semi-Monthly
- 5-6 Approval of Ordinance for Sign Variances at 30347 Skokie Highway – Clear Channel Outdoor
- 5-7 Resolution Approving Amendment to CDBG and HOME Citizen (Resident) Participation Plan
- 5-8 Approval of Resolution for Disposal/Donation of Expired Firefighter Turn-Out Gear
- 5-9 Approval of Ordinance in the City of North Chicago Code Amending Title 4; Chapter 11 Concerning; Foreign Fire Insurance License Fee Board
- 5-10 Resolution Approving Sale of Surplus Real Estate at **1809** Audrey Nixon Boulevard and **0** Audrey Nixon Boulevard (PINs **08-32-402-043 and 08-32-402-044**) **\$5,100**
- 5-11 Resolution Approving Sale of Surplus Real Estate at **730** Broadway Avenue (PIN **12-04-106-016**) **\$2,550**
- 5-12 Approval for the Appointment of Gary Lunn to Assistant Chief of Police
- 5-13 Approval of November **2022** Treasurer's Report
- 5-14 Consideration/Approval of Juneteenth Holiday

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda with the exception of 5-5 (removed completely).

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Evans for 5-12 to be moved to the Regular Agenda

ROLL CALL (REMOVAL OF 5-12):

Ayes: Evans, January

Nays: Jackson, Mayfield, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

Alderman January asked why **5-5** was being removed. Mayor Rockingham explained that he received a letter of termination from Comprehensive TTP LLC, therefore no need to have a vote. Attorney David Silverman reiterated the letter was received and there was no need to vote in respect to the notification; her motion was for an item that would be voted on separately that evening.

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to remove item 5-5 permanently from the agenda and not place in Regular Agenda.

Alderman Evans clarified that the City was or was not accepting the termination letter. Mayor Rockingham explained that the City was accepting the letter of termination as termination after **21** remaining days of current contract.

ROLL CALL (REMOVAL OF 5-5):

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

ROLL CALL (ITEMS 5-1 thru 5-4 and 5-6 thru 5-14):

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

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

Mayor Rockingham swore in Gary Lunn as Assistant Chief of Police; he introduced him with noting that he was previously part of the Lake County Task Force. Mr. Lunn thanked the City for the opportunity and assured his full commitment.

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION HONORING JOHAAN PARISE COTTON WILSON FOR DEDICATING HER LIFE TO EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Honoring JoHaan Parise Cotton Wilson for dedicating her life to educational achievements and public service.

Alderman January asked that resolution be read; City Clerk Lori L. Collins read the resolution.

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF UNVEILING THE ELEANOR MURKEY COMMUNITY CENTER, CLC LAKESHORE CAMPUS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution in Honor of unveiling the Eleanor Murkey Community Center, CLC Lakeshore Campus.

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF DIANE BRADLEY TO THE NORTH CHICAGO POLICE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Mayor explained that Ms. Baldwin's term had expired and Diane Bradley would be replacing her.

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve Diane Bradley to the North Chicago Police Citizens Advisory Committee.

Alderman January asked the term; Mayor Rockingham said he believed 3 years but notify later.

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF REGGIE BOYSON TO THE NORTH CHICAGO POLICE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Mayor requested to table item 7-4 until next Council meeting in order to provide a bio.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve Reggie Boyson to the North Chicago Citizens Advisory Committee.

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

7-5 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Corporate Fund	\$	392,110.92
Library	\$	7,604.05
Motor Fuel Tax	\$	50,347.41
Water Operations	\$	232,494.85
Grant	\$	218,756.41
Retiree's Insurance Prem	\$	18,484.84
Skokie Highway TIF III	\$	600.00
Capital Project	\$	100,083.61
	\$	1,020,482.09

MOTION:

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to pay the bills of Council Run 2/6/23 the amount of \$1,020,482.09 when funds become available.

Mayor Rockingham asked if it included the Special Bill Run; Alderman Mayfield said that it did not. Alderman January asked why the aldermen were being charged for paper; she does not utilize paper from City Hall. Interim Comptroller Tawanda Joyner explained that every department is charged for paper; because each Ward has an account and is divided. There was no tracking of who uses the paper but is divided amongst all.

Alderman January asked if there were sufficient funds, checks available and amount in Water Fund as of Friday. Ms. Joyner said that funds were available with the exception of the Grant Fund to be cleared in **2023** upon receiving reimbursement; checks out by Wednesday and balance as of Thursday **\$5,489,357.63** close of business

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Special Bill Run in the amount of **\$802.42**.

Alderman Jackson questioned **\$400** for Eleven¹⁹ Kitchen & Cocktail bill and the **\$98.53** Food Donation. Alderman Evans explained that it was food for the 3rd Ward Meeting February 11th.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Evans, Allen, Smith, January

Nays: Jackson, Mayfield, Murphy

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS CONCERNS AND COMMENTS

- Alderman Evans announced 3rd Ward Meeting, February **11th** at Foss Park Community Center **10 a.m. – 1 p.m.** including a Fashion Show. Not just about the 3rd Ward, it's about the City; He invited everyone.
- Alderman Allen concerned with lack of No Parking Signs **2am-6am**; Superintendent Clarence (Tommy) Johnson explained there were signs at entrances of City and some of the major roads; there were some faded signs to be replaced. Some, the suggestions were for County roads and signs can't be placed without permission. Alderman Allen suggested more signs.

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.

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: January

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk