

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular Council meeting, Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 6:03 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Temporary Chairman Alderman Bobby Allen presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. INVOCATION

IV. ROLL CALL

In the absence of the Mayor, City Clerk Lori L. Collins made Roll Call.

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

Present: Jackson, Allen, Murphy, January

Absent: Coleman, Evans, Smith

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to allow Alderman Allen as Temporary Chair due to the absence of the Mayor.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Allen, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Coleman, Evans, Smith

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to allow remote participation for Alderman Coleman due to business.

Alderman Smith entered the Council Chambers at 6:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Coleman, Evans

MOTION CARRIED

V. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

5-1 Approval of Minutes for Regular Council Meeting, **January 2, 2024**

Alderman Murphy moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman (RP), Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: January

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL

2024 MEETING CALENDAR

Alderman Jackson moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve the Resolution Establishing the Annual 2024 Meeting Calendar.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman (RP), Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION HONORING LEPOLEON SWOPES

Alderman Murphy moved, seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the Resolution Honoring Lepoleon Swopes.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman (RP), Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 CONSIDERATION /APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS

General Fund	\$	287,448.11		
General Grants Fund	\$	103,104.00		
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	\$	4,122.48		
Capital Projects Fund	\$	1,724.00		
Water, Sewer & Refuse Fund	\$	425,901.79		
Retiree Premium Fund	\$	641.50		
Library Fund	\$	119.00		
	\$	823,060.88		

Alderman Murphy moved, seconded by Alderman Smith to pay the City Bills of Council Run 1/16/24 in the amount of \$823,060.88 when funds available.

Alderman January asked if enough funds for the City Bills and the amount in the Water Fund; Comptroller Tawanda Joyner acknowledged the General Fund amount was **\$32,438,725.05** in the Water Fund was **\$8,257,854.72** at the end of the business day Thursday; checks would be mailed the following day.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Allen, Smith, Murphy

Nays: Coleman (RP), January

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Alderman January explained her husband had arrived home from the hospital and appreciated the prayers.

Alderman Smith announced his birthday celebration and invited all to the event located at **2300 MLK**

Dr.; January 20th at 6:00. It was a 70's themed event.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9-1 Executive Session 5 ILCS 120 2 (c)(12) – Establishment of Reserves or Settlement of Claims

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Murphy to suspend the Regular Order of Business, and enter Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120 2 (c)(12) at 6:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman (RP), Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Smith moved seconded by Alderman Murphy to Resume the Regular Order of Business at 6:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jackson, Coleman (RP), Allen, Smith, Murphy, January

Nays: None

Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

X. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.

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

ATTEST:

Lori L. Collins, City Clerk