Regular Meeting, Monday, December 21, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, December 21, 2015 at 7:20 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, December, 07, 2015; 7:05 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, December 14, 2015; 6:51 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, December 07, 2015; 7:05 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, December 14, 2015; 6:51 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports

6-1A Treasurer & Water Department Report – November, 2015
Mayor’s Office, Comptroller’s Office, Police, Fire, Public Works, Engineer, Economic & Community Development, Human Resources and Information Technology

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Treasurer Kenneth Robinson read the treasurer’s report per Alderman Allen’s request.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA
7-1 RESOLUTION ADOPTING CITY INVESTMENT POLICY

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Resolution Adopting the City Investment Policy, amending pg. 5 of the City Investment Policy from 110 to 100% collateralization.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RULES/STANDARD FOR DESIGNATION OF HONORARY ROADWAYS

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Resolution Authorizing Rules/Standards for Designation of Honorary Roadways, amending letter e; with alderman’s discretion.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 APPOINTMENT OF TROTTER & ASSOCIATES AS CITY ENGINEER

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the appointment of Trotter & Associates as City Engineer, authorizing the Mayor to sign the Master Contract, amending to include exhibit C.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 APPOINTMENT OF FIREFIGHTER BRANDON MARTIN TO E-911 BOARD

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the appointment of firefighter Brandon Martin to the E-911 Board.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED
The Mayor congratulated firefighter Brandon Martin.

7-5 RESOLUTION ADOPTING U.S.MOTTO; “IN GOD WE TRUST”

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Adopting U.S. Motto; “In God We Trust.”

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned the U.S. Motto’s originator and definition of the wording “God.” Alderman Allen explained the information was provided to him at the conference that he attended.

The Mayor explained the U.S. Motto; “In God we trust,” applied to a “heavenly God.” Alderman January stated in her “heavenly father’s name,” she voted “aye.”

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 12/21/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen, to pay the bills of Council Run 12/21/15 in amount of $758,074.01.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Allen stressed the City shouldn’t be purchasing water when they were selling the best quality to other vendors. Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm explained there was an existing cooler. It could be discussed with his staff. The Mayor stated would arrange that it was removed per alderman’s request.

Alderman Markham questioned the city attorney involvement with law firm; Ancel & Glink. Attorney Smith explained that he reviewed the documents what was prepared.

Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm ensured that Chief of Staff Deb Waszak aggressively reviewed the legal bills.

Alderman Evans questioned status of economic development with Ancel & Glink and the travel and training for the police department. The Mayor stated the 1st/2nd meeting in January for an update. The law firm has worked on museum and the City would be reimbursed.

Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged funds were available and would be issued the following day and sent before the end of the week.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS
The Mayor stated that Attorney Smith performed an overall review of the Gaming licenses issued: Antioch; 10 Fox Lake; 23, Green Oaks; 2, Island Lake; 2, Lake Zurich; 8, Lake Villa; 9, Lindenhurst; 2, Long Grove; 3, Mundelein; 8, North Chicago; 8, Park City; 1, Round Lake Beach; 5, Round Lake Park; 5, Round Lake Heights; 3, Round Lake; 7, Waukegan; 51 and Winthrop Harbor; 10. The remaining cities prohibited video gaming licenses; Lake Forest, Highland Park, Libertyville, Lake Bluff, Zion and Gurnee.

The Board of Fire & Police Commissioners had decided moving forward with performing the sergeant’s exam. The Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) filed an unfair labor practice and hopefully it will be repealed. He commended their efforts.

The Mayor wished the citizens and guests a “Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.” It ended on a “positive” note,” moving forward in the betterment of the community, council members and also commended his staff.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

John Garcia
Mr. Garcia cited the 1st Amendment and it allowed videotaping that was protected activity. Citing the “Open Meetings Act,” he stated was continually harassed by the police violating his civil rights.

David Hood
Mr. Hood had perceived, a change in the City that impacted businesses expressing interest. He suggested a violence free zone that could target crime areas and was hopeful for the year of 2016 that would reflect a more professional manner.

Gloria Carr
Mrs. Carr stated was a resident of 30 years in the City. Some residents had strong concerns that were expressed to her with the video gaming that she also didn't recommend. It was a poor location across the street from a Senior Citizen building and blocks away was a bus stop. She didn’t understand why a sign couldn’t be placed in honor of her son. She could acquire the needed signatures. It was strongly suggested to her alderman.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris declined due to video gaming in the City.

Charles January – Shield’s Township Board
Mr. January suggested limited quantity with video gaming. Gambling and liquor stores conflicted. He had strong concerns with police department overtime.
XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Special Meeting, Monday, December 14, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Special Meeting Monday, December 14, 2015 at 6:51 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: Evans

III. REGULAR AGENDA

3-1 2015 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2015 Tax Levy Ordinance establishing an increase of 4.95% in amount of $10,357,251.00.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Nays: Allen, Markham, January
Absent: Evans

The Mayor broke the tie vote.

MOTION CARRIED

3-2 RESOLUTION REQUESTING LAKE COUNTY NOT COMPILING THE LOSS/COLLECTION ON TAXABLE PROPERTY

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution requesting Lake County not compiling the loss/collection on taxable property.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

3-3 ORDINANCE ABATING TAXES LEVIED IN AMOUNT OF $636,353

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance Abating Taxes levied in amount of $636,353.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm explained he would prepare Truth & Taxation Certificate for signature of the Mayor and to be filed with Lake County before Tuesday, December 22, 2015.

IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Chandler Walker
Mr. Walker expressed his support of the Aldermen with their difficult decision. He didn’t prefer the Mayor to break tie vote when the aldermen were elected accordingly. He stressed the need of citizen involvement. The biggest expenditures were in the police department. He wished everyone a "Merry Christmas."

Alderman Markham suggested dedicating time for further pension discussion in the upcoming year. The Mayor agreed and including a solution how it should be funded reasonably.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, December 07, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, December 07, 2015 at 8:14 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

4-1 Lake County Board Presentation by Audrey Nixon and Mary Ross-Cunningham

Lake County Board member Audrey Nixon presented the amount of $80,000 to the City in behalf of the Lake County Community Development Department. Mary Ross-Cunningham elaborated further that the funding was for purposes of the infrastructure on 18th Street. She ensured that North Chicago had sufficient CDBG funding from Lake County that also was in need.

The Mayor appreciated the Lake County Board District of North Chicago with their city efforts.

4-2 Appointment of Joshua Monroe as Shift Commander

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the appointment of Joshua Monroe as Shift Commander.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-3 Swearing-in of New Firefighter; David Lou/Shift Commander, Joshua Monroe and Lieutenant James Axtt

The Mayor commended the Fire Department upon their efforts.
The Mayor swore-in both new firefighter; David Lou, Shift Commander, Joshua Monroe and Lieutenant James Axtt as they pledged their oath.

He congratulated everyone.

4-4 Resolution/Presentation of Plaque to Gabriel Albarran

City Clerk Lori Collins read the Resolution for Gabriel “Gabby” Albarran.

The Mayor added that Gabby wholeheartedly dedicated 100% of his city efforts. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes presented a City flag with employee signatures; he also read and gave a plaque to Mr. Albarran.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, November 16, 2015; 8:27 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, November 19, 2015; 5:40 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Markham that Regular Council Meeting, November 16, 2015; 8:27 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, November 19, 2015; 5:40 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 RESOLUTION APPROVING CITY INVESTMENT POLICY

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table the Resolution for City Investment Policy by virtue as requested by the City Treasurer Kenneth Robinson until December 21, 2015.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
City Treasurer Kenneth Robinson stated he was awaiting review from Attorney Smith.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 2015 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2015 Tax Levy Ordinance.
COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Interim Comptroller explained the components included in the 2015 Tax Levy.

Alderman January questioned the percentage for the 2015 Tax Levy. Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm explained it was 4.9%.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

7-3 RESOLUTION REQUESTING LAKE COUNTY NOT COMPILING THE LOSS/COLLECTION ON TAXABLE PROPERTY

Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm clarified that without the Tax Levy the Resolution was meaningless.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman January to table the Resolution requesting Lake County not compiling the loss/collection on taxable property.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith recommended that item 7-3 was tabled until the next meeting, December 21, 2015.

It needed to be received by Lake County Clerk’s Office before the deadline of December 29, 2015. He requested some council direction. He recommended a Special Council Meeting, December 21, 2015.

Alderman Evans suggested further discussion with Mr. Brimm.

The Mayor questioned clarification.

Mr. Brimm explained there were contractual debt service obligations to be considered for the Police & Fire Pension. He recommended freezing the corporate levy that was a proposed increase of 2% although it would include raising the property tax.

Alderman Markham questioned if approved for proposed levy amounts. Mr. Brimm explained it was a discretionary estimated amount of $86,000. It would be an estimated amount of $283,000; less 4.9%.

There was a general consensus to schedule Special Council Meeting, December 14, 2015; 6:00 p.m.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table both items 7-3 and 7-4 until December 14, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
The Mayor confirmed a Committee/Special; 6:00 p.m. and Special Council Meeting scheduled, following Committee, December 14, 2015.

7-4 ORDINANCE ABATING TAXES LEVIED FOR CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO

TABLED IN MOTION OF 7-3

7-5 PETITION/ORDINANCE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 710 17TH ST. (BANQUET CENTER)

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Special Use Permit at 710 17th St. (Banquet Center).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

7-6 CONTRACT EXTENSION – INTERIM COMPTROLLER, BILL BRIMM

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the contract extension with GovTemps until April 30, 2016 for Interim Comptroller, Bill Brimm.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

7-7 RESOLUTION TESTING – SERGEANT’S EXAM

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Testing for Sergeant’s exam.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Mayfield, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Recluse: Fisher
Absent: None
MOTION FAILED

7-8 APPOINTMENT APPROVAL OF TROTTER & ASSOCIATES AS CITY ENGINEER
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the appointment of Trotter & Associates as City Engineer effective immediately and that the Mayor be authorized to sign a contract with Trotter & Associates, for engineering services as required.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith questioned if the council preferred to view the contract prior to council approval.

Alderman Markham had concerns why the contract wasn’t addressed during discussion.

Public Works Director, Ed Wilmes explained it was a similar contract; difference of wording of Interim to City Engineer.

Attorney Smith stated he wasn’t aware of the terms if changed.

Alderman Markham amended motion, seconded by Alderman January to table item 7-8 until the next meeting, December 21, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

7-9 CONTRACT AWARD TO ALL SERVICES CONTRACTING CORPORATION IN AMOUNT OF $129,797 TO PERFORM WORK REQUIRED ON WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTERS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve authorization of the Mayor to sign and award a contract to All Services Contracting Corporation of Decatur, IL in amount of $129,797 for repair and replacement of 44 Leopold filter agitators and other filter maintenance work as required at the Water Treatment Plant.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

NOTE* Funds for these payments are available in Line Item 07.50.4120 – Maintenance Water Equipment.

7-10 AUTHORIZATION TO ADVANCE MAINTENANCE PLANNED – YEARS 2016/2017 FOR 17TH ST./NATOMA AVE./GLENN DR. REPAVING FOR INCLUSION IN COMBINED 2015 MFT/PHASE I WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT BID PACKAGE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the advancement of street maintenance work originally planned for calendar years 2015/2016 MFT and Water Main Replacement Program.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-11 CONTRACT APPROVAL WITH AIR CON REFRIGERATION & HEATING IN AMOUNT OF $169,600 – BOILER ANNUAL MAINTENANCE/VENTILATION IMPROVEMENT AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve authorization of the Mayor to sign and award the contract to Air Con Refrigeration & Heating of Waukegan, IL in amount of $169,600 for boiler maintenance and ventilation improvements at the Water Treatment Plant.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

NOTE* Funds for these payments are available in Line Item 07.50.4120 – Maintenance Water Equipment.

7-12 ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT APPROVAL – AIR CON REFRIGERATION & HEATING IN AMOUNT OF $21,720 – BOILER MAINTENANCE FOR 2016 CALENDAR YEAR AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to authorize the Mayor to sign and award a maintenance contract to Air Con Refrigeration & Heating of Waukegan, IL in amount of $21,720 for the annual boiler maintenance; calendar year 2016 at water treatment plant.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

NOTE* Funds for these payments are available in Line Item 07.50.4120 – Maintenance Water Equipment.

7-13 CONTRACT AWARD FOR REPLACEMENT OF SELECT VALVES AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to authorize the Mayor to sign and award the contract to Dahme Mechanical Industries, of Arlington, Heights, IL in amount of $138,888 for valve replacement work at the water treatment plant and added contingency
of $18,012 not to exceed value for the contract of $156,900.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith explained that Dahme Mechanical Industries was the lowest responsible bidder of the three bids reviewed by the Interim City Engineer, Steve Cieslica.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS 12/07/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run, 12/07/15 in the amount of $572,028.36 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and when they would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged there were funds available and checks to be issued Wednesday.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS
Alderman Markham suggested scenarios were presented concerning the tax levy. Also, he announced the 5th Ward meeting, December 12, 2015; held in the North Chicago Council Chambers; 10:00 a.m. He welcomed participation.

VARIOUS
Alderman Evans questioned status for data of water usage for senior citizens and possibly increasing free gallons that were offered to them. Mr. Brim would send the information. He addressed the needed awareness of the board member’s attendance and their terms.

STATUS
Alderman Allen questioned status of the Human Resources Director’s search. The Mayor stated that Human Resources had addressed recommendations and would be presented to staff for review. He was hopeful the first of January there would be a candidate.
Alderman Runnels and Allen left at 9:16 p.m.

**X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Sudie Gordan
Ms. Gordan disagreed with posting a street sign for a murder victim. She stated her experience with the death of her son. There also was a strong need of police sergeants.

Gloria Carr
Mrs. Carr clarified that the requested sign should have read Darrin Hanna vs. “Dagwood” that was her son’s nickname. She emphasized the six wrongful officers that should have been charged with his murder. There were “good and bad” police officers.

Ralph Peterson
He perceived positive connotations that represented the community. The sign would represent history in the City that resulted in an improved Police Department/Police Chief. The officers have also become more interactive with the public.

Chandler Walker
He commended the Street and Fire Department. He was satisfied that the item requesting 4 police vehicles wasn’t placed on the agenda. Also was content with another engineering firm.

Kevin O’Connor – Attorney (Carr Family)
He addressed the requested sign. It would reflect how the situation was managed and changes in Police Department that had impacted the City. He clarified that by law, the settlement amount would be provided to Darren Hanna’s children. The sign would be a reminder for others.

Ms. B. Harris
She commended the Fire Department for their assistance with her injury. There wasn’t city development due to a poor school system and emphasized the need to increase home ownership.

Cynthia Maloney – Shield’s Township
She disagreed with video gaming in the City. There were residents leaving the community and stated was much potential in North Chicago.

James Cansiek
He supported the “Darrin Hanna” sign. His justice was rendered; commended the change and presently was healing. A grocery store was strongly needed.

Patricia Cansler
She also was in support of the sign. She had experienced a loss of her son and suggested consideration and empathy.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Markham that the meeting stand adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Special Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Special Meeting Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 5:40 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Absent: Fisher, Allen, January

III. REGULAR AGENDA

3-1 RENEWAL OF THE OWEN’S GROUP FOR LIABILITY/WORKMAN’S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the renewal of The Owen’s Group for Liability/Workman’s Compensation Insurance; a total of $723,056.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
The Mayor stated that it was agreed no additional $10,000,000 as part of the agreement. Alderman Mayfield confirmed.

Attorney Smith clarified was a 4% increase comparative to previous year of 2014.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Runnels
Nays: Markham
Absent: Fisher, Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

3-2 ADOPTION OF NEW WATER RATE ORDINANCE; TITLE 11; CHAPTER 5; SECTION 6

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the adoption of the New Water Rate Ordinance; Title 11; Chapter 5.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
The Mayor clarified there wasn’t a water rate increase.

Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained the disability clause was provided in the ordinance as previously requested by Alderman Evans.
Alderman Evans questioned what was modified. Mr. Wilmes elaborated that only the wholesale rate portion was additional applicable for the new water customer; Arden Shores. The fixed rate didn’t reflect an increase.

Alderman Runnels amended motion, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve exclusively the wholesale rate section.

Alderman Markham questioned the calculated amount of 2000 gallons for senior discount. Attorney Smith explained was the average usage.

Alderman Evans questioned the senior’s average usage. The Mayor explained from the 2000 gallons.

Alderman Markham questioned is it could be increase to 3000 gallons. The Mayor stated that the water rate study would reflect accordingly. Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm conveyed that according to analysis performed for city-wide dwelling unit, the average usage ranged from 5500-6000 gallons.

The Mayor suggested searching senior’s usage. Currently it reflected the new water customer; Arden Shores. He suggested approving the fixed water rate from year of 2013 that offered the senior discount of 2000 gallons, the wholesale water amount and could adjust as needed following the water analysis.

The Mayor questioned the senior discount inclusion. Mr. Wilmes confirmed it was.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Fisher, Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

There were no comments.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Fisher, Allen, and January were absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

ATTEST:
Regular Meeting, Monday, November 16, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, November 16, 2015 at 8:27 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

4-1 Retirement Recognition – Gabby Albarran

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Gabriel Albarran Jr.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor was aware that Gabby didn’t prefer any recognition for his services rendered in the City of North Chicago. He requested arranging the resolution and other awards to be presented to Gabby. He was well recognized and greatly missed in the community.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, November, 02, 2015; 7:05 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION: Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, November 02, 2015; 7:05 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA
6-1 Department Head Reports –

6-1A Treasurer & Water Department Report – October, 2015

Police, Fire, Chief of Staff, Public Works, Engineer, and Information Technology

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 ORDINANCE FOR DISABLED CONCERNING SERVICE ANIMAL ACCESS

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Ordinance for Disabled concerning Service Animal Access.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Evans questioned an explanation with the ordinance. Attorney Smith explained that it allowed public accommodation with service animals, compliance with the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the donation amount of $500 for the senior breakfast.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor would provide additional information.

7-3 ADOPTION OF NEW WATER RATE ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 11; CHAPTER 5; SECTION 6

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to table 7-3 until December 07, 2015.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION/SUBMITTAL OF 2016 CDBG GRANT APPLICATION IN AMOUNT OF $100,000 – PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to adopt a Resolution in support of a 2016 CDBG application to Lake County Community Development Commission in the amount of $100,000 for public infrastructure improvements to rehabilitate Sanitary Sewers on sections of Elizabeth, Greenfield and Victoria Streets and to provide authorization for the Mayor to finalize/sign the Resolution.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE AN RFP FOR A CONSULTANT PERFORMING WATER RATE STUDY

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve authorization of staff soliciting statements from qualified consulting firms to successfully perform a comprehensive water rate study for the City of North Chicago.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: Allen
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 11/16/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen, to pay the bills of Council Run 11/16/15 in amount of $404,017.90.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged funds were available and would be issued the following day and sent Wednesday.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS
Alderman Evans was disappointed why the he wasn’t properly informed concerning the hiring of the Interim Economic & Community Development Director. He questioned the board appointments. The Mayor explained that anyone interested could contact his office. It was also advertised in numerous City’s previous newsletter. The Mayor stated has been searching for an interim and it wasn’t a permanent position. It was the Mayor’s function to hire an interim and it would require council approval. He would ensure the information was placed in the spring quarter of the newsletter.

Alderman Fisher clarified that temporary employees were hired by the Mayor. Alderman Evans elaborated further with his concerns.

REQUESTS
Alderman Markham had stated had previously requested not receiving any information prior to the meeting commencement.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Susan Dixon
She indicated the two street lights on her street at 1620 Kemble Avenue needed replacing. It was her understanding that the water rates were to be frozen. The costs have increased greatly. In year of 2011 there was a water study and she was informed that the rates would increase. She emphasized not to deceive the citizens with the forthcoming water rate increase.

Detective Harold Rollins
He stated that the 12th annual “Shop with a Cop,” was approaching soon. It was funded by local businesses. He encouraged the aldermen by supporting donation of $200 to a family in their ward.

Alderman Evans questioned selection process. Mr. Rollins explained had established a report with the social workers that were present in the schools. The goal was to fund twenty-four (24) families.

Alderman Markham questioned to whom the check was to be sent. Mr. Rollins stated that the FOP (Lodge 131) would be managing the funding presently the year of 2015. The efforts were that the expenditures remained in the City of North Chicago.

The Mayor announced teen court that was scheduled, Thursday, November 19, 2015; 6:00 p.m. Mr. Rollins added it was the initial one in the City of North Chicago. He explained it was an intervention program. He also needed additional jurors.

Special Council Meeting
The Mayor announced the Special Council Meeting that was scheduled, Thursday; 5:30 p.m. It would be a one-item agenda for purpose of approving the insurance. Alderman January stated wouldn’t be able to attend the meeting for Thursday’s schedule.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, November 02, 2015 at 7:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

4-1 Ballistic Vest Presentation/Recognition of Proctor & Gamble Donation

Fire Chief Dell Urban explained that firefighter Matos had recommended ballistic vests. The donation of $5,000 from Proctor & Gamble was recognized for the purchase of the vest.

The Mayor acknowledged Proctor & Gamble’s donation to assist the emergency medical system and the firefighters.

Mr. Lawson, Proctor & Gamble stated the donation to the firefighters was well deserved.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, October 19, 2015; 7:55 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels that Regular Council Meeting, October 19, 2015; 7:55 p.m. be passed as presented.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Markham noted error on pg. 5 with alderman’s name.

The Mayor would ensure the necessary corrections.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE
VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Resolution Honoring Keith O. Humphres

6-2 Resolution Releasing Non-General Fund Revenues

The Mayor clarified that item 6-1; the Resolution was honored although not approved at the previous meeting, October 19, 2015.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 ABBOTT AGREEMENT APPROVAL

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Abbott Agreement.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 PETITION – ZMA (ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AT 29800-29860 SKOKIE HWY)

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the ZMA (Zoning Map Amendment at 29800-29860 Skokie Hwy).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 BICYCLE AMENDMENTS – TITLE 10; CHAPTER 7; SECTION 13/TITLE 10; CHAPTER 10

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Bicycle Amendments; Title 10; Chapter 7; Section 13/Title 10; Chapter 10.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED
7-4 DISABLED PARKING AMENDMENTS – TITLE 10; CHAPTER 5

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Disabled Parking Amendments; Title 10; Chapter 5.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 CDBG CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the CDBG Citizen Participation Plan.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 FORMER LIBRARY REPAIR LABOR (SERVPRO/ILLINOIS BUILDERS)

Alderman Markham moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to table item 7-6 and returned to Committee for further discussion.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-7 REAPPOINTMENT OF HORNSBY KNEELAND TO NORTH CHICAGO HOUSING BOARD – NOV. 2015-2019

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the reappointment of Hornsby Kneeland to North Chicago Housing Board from November 2015-2019.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if Hornsby Kneeland was any relationship to the Mayor.
The Mayor acknowledged that he was his cousin.

Alderman Allen requested that Mr. Kneeland was recognized.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January  
Absent: None  

MOTION CARRIED  

VIII. CITY BILLS  

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS 11/02/15  

MOTION:  
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run,  
11/02/15 in the amount of $312,655.97 when funds become available.  

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:  
Alderman Markham questioned pgs. 5 and 6; JB Glass & Board Up Service; July – Sept City  
Bills that were currently paid. Interim City Comptroller Bill Brim explained there was a  
delay in the e-mail system and the City was contacted the prior week. There was  
anticipation that additional proceeds would be received.  

Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and  
when they would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged there were funds available and  
checks to be issued the following day thru Wednesday.  

ROLL CALL:  
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January  
Nays: Markham  
Absent: None  

MOTION CARRIED  

IX. MISCELLANEOUS  

VARIOUS  
Alderman Evans suggested allowing an opening for city residents in the newsletter with  
board member opportunities. It would assist in their involvement.  

The Mayor stated it had occurred previously.  

Alderman Evans announced the 3rd Ward Meeting, 11/21/15; 10:00 a. m., held in the City  
Council Chambers. He encouraged participation.  

POLICE OFFICER PROGRAM  
Alderman Mayfield explained that police officers would be going “door to door,” with  
concerns from the citizens. It was also opened to the Elected Officials. Any questions or  
concerns, she directed the Aldermen to contact Sergeant Diaz.  

CONGRATULATIONS  
The Mayor recognized Alderman Markham in becoming a Grandfather.  

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS
Gloria Carr
She requested posting a street sign in honor of her deceased son. It was also addressed to Alderman Mayfield. The Mayor stated that it would be considered.

Monty Beckwith
He disagreed with the third liquor license that was granted for the service station on the intersection of MLK Dr. He clarified currently there were five video gaming facilities. He was strongly concerned with “the message that was sent.”

Judy Wentz
She questioned if Beacon and Frontenac Avenue problem with potholes would be resolved. The trucks were continuing to park on the streets and suggested repairing them.

Interim Economic & CD/Senior City Planner Nimrod Warda stated that the former library was potentially historic although it wasn’t currently located on the national registry. The building size was approximately 4,500 – 5,000 sq. ft. and he would research the issue.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, October 19, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, October 19, 2015 at 7:55 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: Allen

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Allen.

4-1 Swearing in of Fire Fighter Todd Luccassen

The Mayor swore in and welcomed Todd Luccassen as a North Chicago Firefighter. He appreciated the support of his fellow firefighters and all of the attendees. He was hopeful of a long career with the City.

4-2 Resolution of Commander Humphres (30+ Dedicated Service)

The Mayor explained that as a former alderman and current Mayor, he personally knew Keith Humphres. He, (Mr. Humphres) has ensured the safety of employees and citizens in the City of North Chicago; a model firefighter. The Mayor appreciated his service to the City and his endeavors.

Fire Chief Dell Urban chimed the ceremony bell.

Commander Humphres was appreciative and gracious of the fellow firefighters, police department assistance and the citizens of North Chicago.

4-3 Honoring Rescue Efforts of NCFD, NCPD and dispatch individuals during fire of October 08, 2015, at 1717 MLK Dr; (NCFD) Commander Rickabaugh, Lt’s Schaefer/Monroe, Firefighters; Axtt, Peacy Herrera, Harman, Cordova, Dian Luccassen, Mammoser, Chiappetta, Hill, Henderson, Matos Stoll, Hernandez, Lopez, (NCPD) Jason Geryol/John Burns, Arthur Strong, Curtis Sellers and Cory Marquardt upon their rescue efforts. Also, (Dispatch) Shawndra Johnson/Reese Brewton was recognized

Fire Chief Dell Urban read information concerning a structure fire incident, October 08, 2015; She recognized the following police department personnel, that “went beyond the
call of duty;” (NCPD) Officer Jason Geryol, John Burns, Arthur Strong, Curtis Sellers and Sgt. Cory Marquardt (NCFD) for their professionalism and life saving response; Lt. Josh Monroe, Commander Josh Rickabaugh, firefighters; James Axtt and Todd Luccassen rescued two victims, Raul Juan Herrera / Adam Chiapetta rescued two victims, Reed Mammoser / Juan Lopez attacked the fire and found a victim, other responding firefighters assisted in attacking fire and extinguishment; Mark Harmon, Nicholas Dina, Wilton Hill, Brian Henderson, William Matos, Mathew Stoll, Frank Cordova and Joe Hernandez; EMS (Emergency Medical Systems) Operations directed by Lt. Shaefer assisted with transportation of non-injured and acknowledged Management Analyst Sonia Arty who assisted with the residents, (Dispatchers) Shawndra Johnson/Reese Brewton maintained a calm, professional manner, assisting with contacts securing other resources and arranging transportation for the victims. She was much honored to be in the position of North Chicago Fire Chief and strongly stressed the outstanding teamwork of all departments that saved lives. She presented plaques to the named rescuers.

4-4 Proclamation Honoring Brandon Hudson Day – Eagle Scout

The Mayor explained recipient, Brandon Hudson Day’s absence due to attending college.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table item 4-4 until recipient availability.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, October, 05, 2015; 9:16 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, October 12, 2015; 6:47 was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels that Regular Council Meeting, October 05, 2015; 9:16 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, October 12, 2015; 6:47 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports – October, 2015

6-1A Treasurer & Water Department Report – September, 2015

(Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources, Information Technology and Comptroller’s Office
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 CITY SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the City Salary Ordinance Amendment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 BICYCLE AMENDMENTS; TITLE 10; CHAPTER 7; SECTION 13/TITLE 10; CHAPTER 10

Alderman Markham moved, seconded by Alderman January to table items; 7-2/7-3 and returned for discussion at the next Committee Meeting, November 02, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 DISABLED PARKING AMENDMENT; TITLE 10; CHAPTER 5

TABLED WITH MOTION OF ITEM 7-2

7-4 AWARD OF CONTRACT TO CAM, LLC FOR COSTS/SERVICES REQUIRED FOR PAVEMENT PRESERVATION TREATMENT TO VARIOUS CITY STREETS AND WEST PARKING LOT AT CITY HALL IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $50,000

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve authorization of Mayor to sign/award contract to CAM (Corrective Asphalt Materials) LLC for costs/services in amount not to exceed $50,000 for pavement preservation treatment to those streets shown on October 12, 2015 Pavement Preservation Exhibit and also for the west parking lot at City Hall.
NOTE* Funds for these payments are available in line item 01.28.4401 – Contractual Services

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 AUTHORIZATION FOR CHAGE ORDER #1 TO BERGER EXCAVATING IN AMOUNT OF $5,178.50 FOR WORK ASSOCIATED WITH 2619 MLK WATER MAIN PROJECT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve authorization of Mayor to sign Change order #1 with Berger Excavating Inc. for amount of $5,178.50 and that the contract value be changed to reflect a revised construction total of $104,683.00.

NOTE* CDBG Funded Project

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 AWARD OF CONTRACT TO NORTH CHICAGO IRON WORKS FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $64,850.00

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Mayor’s Authorization to sign a contract with North Chicago Iron Works, Inc. in amount not to exceed $64,854.00 for fabrication/installation of five specific safety improvements at the Water Department identified during an inspection by the City’s Risk Management Consultant.

NOTE* Funds for this work will be utilized from the Water Budget; line item 07.50.4100; Maintenance – Building.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Runnels noted type-o with amount in motion.

Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to reflect amount of $64,850.00

Alderman January questioned clarification if item 7-6 was connected to water department incident. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes clarified it was non-related safety improvements and recommended by risk management consultant.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen
MOTION CARRIED

7-7 REAFFIRM MDA (MASTER DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT) BETWEEN CITY & SHERIDAN CROSSING LLC

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans, to approve the reaffirming of MDA (Master Development Agreement) between the City & Sheridan Crossing LLC.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
The Mayor explained the council members were reaffirming the MDA between the City & Sheridan Crossing LLC due to aldermen that were absent; Alderman Evans and Markham. It allowed a chance to voice their vote and was questionable that the Special meeting was scheduled on a Holiday.

Alderman Markham emphasized it was meaningless and that the Special Council Minutes were approved, October 12, 2015. Attorney Smith explained it was reaffirmed to allow needed discussion.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Runnels,
Nays: January
Absent: Allen

Alderman Markham responded “present,” due to his disagreement.

MOTION CARRIED

7-8 IMRF BENEFIT PROTECTION LEAVE APPROVAL – TWO ADDITIONAL

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the IMRF Benefit Protection Leave for two additional employees; Delmar Harris and Fred (Jerome) Taylor.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 10/19/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans, to pay the bills of Council Run 10/19/15 in amount of $675,757.48.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged funds were available and would be issued the following day.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

3RD WARD MEETING
Alderman Evans announced the Third Ward Meeting; November 21, 2015, held at the North Chicago Library at 10:00 a.m. He explained the Police Department would be present for the Neighborhood Watch discussion, Mayor Rockingham, City Attorney, Public Works Department and variety of individuals. He encouraged attendance.

SUP – LIQUOR LICENSE
The Mayor explained that an additional liquor license was approved at Regular Council Meeting, October 05, 2015 and was informed that a Special Use Permit was required approval through process of Zoning Board of Appeals due to packaged liquor.

Alderman January questioned the approval of the additional beer and wine license issued to Marathon Gas and name was changed to Citgo. The Mayor clarified it was approved to create an additional license.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Charles January – Shields Township Trustee
He stated was a “sad day.” There were seven liquor stores in the area. It was located in the 5th ward and Alderman disagreed. He had continuity; it was his ward and Mr. January disagreed that it was approved. There wasn’t a liquor store located on Green Bay/Buckley Rd. He was informed that the Mayor had appointed two police officers; it was the responsibility of the Board of Police & Fire Commissioners. He strongly stressed that the list had expired and Officer Perrin had failed the test. He emphasized he would file a complaint with the State.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:
Special Meeting, Monday, October 12, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Special meeting Monday, October 12, 2015 at 6:47 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, January
Absent: Evans, Markham

III. REGULAR AGENDA

3-1 ORDINANCE APPROVING FINAL MASTER DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORTH CHICAGO & SHERIDAN CROSSING LLC

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Ordinance for final Master Development Agreement between North Chicago & Sheridan Crossing LLC.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Runnels to include subject approving exhibits reviewed by City Council.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: Evans, Markham

MOTION CARRIED

3-2 GOV TEMP – H.R. DIRECTOR SEARCH

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve GovTemps for Human Resources Director Search.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Allen questioned city cost if the individual left prior to the 3-month or 6-month interval. Sarah McKee, GovTempsUSA Vice President explained there wasn’t an additional fee incurred if more candidates were needed. If before the 24-months of hire it would be only cost of expenses; $4,000 and $2,000 in advertising. She clarified wouldn’t recruit the individual for five years, if not employed at least 24 months of time.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans, Markham

MOTION CARRIED

3-3 DEBBIE RICHARDS REALTY CONTRACT EXTENSION

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve Debbie Richards Realty Contract Extension.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith questioned term. The Mayor explained it was a one-year term. Alderman January questioned clarification with the changes to the agreement. Economic & CD Development Director Ron Lanz explained it was the same term of one year.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans, Markham

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor welcomed Sheridan Crossing LLC in a team effort moving the City forward. He was hopeful for a quality candidate of GovTemps USA.

Alderman Mayfield welcomed North Chicago Sheridan Crossing LLC Team and their city partnership.

IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

There were no comments.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans and Markham were absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, October 05, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, October 05, 2015 at 9:16 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, September 21 2015; 7:55 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, September 21, 2015; 7:55 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Lake County Honor Flight Flag Tribute, October 09, 2015 - October 11, 2015; “Welcome Back” 23 Veterans from Washington D.C.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

Alderman January asked if the Police Chief was aware of the event and if 5 officers were available to assist. Police Chief Jackson stated he was aware and would provide the police personnel. Alderman January questioned if overtime would be charged; he responded there wouldn’t be any issued. She questioned the route of the veterans.

Alderman Allen asked the time of arrival to North Chicago; Mayor Rockingham estimated 8:30 p.m. It was a grand effort of the Lake County Honor Flight organizers.

The City Clerk explained the route of MLK Dr., to Sheridan Rd. with final stop at the Veteran’s Memorial Park.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 IMRF BENEFIT PROTECTION LEAVE APPROVAL

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve IMRF Benefit Protection Leave.

Alderman Evans amended motion, Alderman Allen amended second stating approval of IMRF Benefits for Woodrow Reid.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Abstain: Mayfield
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 RESOLUTION TO GRANT AUTHORITY TO MAYOR FINALIZING/SIGN AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH IDOT (ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION) PROVIDING MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE FOR SHERIDAN RD. FROM 10TH TO 22ND ST. ($193,300) WITH AGREEMENT TERM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Resolution to grant authority to Mayor finalizing/sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with IDOT providing Municipal maintenance for Sheridan Rd. from 10th to 22nd St. ($193,300) with Agreement term.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: CAMERON MORTEZAIE AND EDWARD MALUSKA

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Authorizing settlement payments to the following individuals: Cameron Mortezaie in amount of $480.00 and Edward Maluska; $425.00 This is full and final payment/reimbursement for cost withheld from Johnson Paving’s final pay request. (2014 MFT Paving Contract)

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 APPOINTMENT OF DONISE N. VIRDEN TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve appointment of Donise N. Virden to Zoning Board of Appeals.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 SETTLEMENT APPROVAL OF FISHER VS. FAPSO & NORTH CHICAGO $1,349.00

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the settlement approval of $1,349 to FISHER VS. FAPSO & North Chicago.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: Markham
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 ADDITIONAL BEER & WINE LICENSE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the additional beer and wine license.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table item 7-6.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

Alderman Markham called a "questioned on the motion;" challenged the petition, no signatures, no notary, non-resident signatures and majority of them resided outside of the 5th ward. The police activity would be increased and beseeched the aldermen. The residents disagreed with the proposal. The petitioner compared Speedway gas station sold beverages etc. and did not consider to be located in a residential area. The consumable products expiration was questionable and displayed lack of concern of North Chicago residents.

Alderman Runnels debated the issue of Speedway being located in a residential area.

Alderman Mayfield questioned the amount of licenses. Alderman Markham stated this was an additional license and he had strong concerns of future petitioners.

The Mayor clarified only with council approval would there be an additional license.

ROLL CALL TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL BEER & WINE LICENSE:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS
8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS 10/05/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run, 10/05/15 in the amount of $237,710.75 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and when they would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged there were and checks would be issued the following day.

Alderman Markham questioned the rental art display in the amount of $2,000 located in City Hall corridors, from Robert Morris University, and why it couldn’t be purchased. Interim Comptroller Bill Brim explained it was an annual rental.

Economic & CD Development Director Ron Lanz elaborated further that it was an artwork rental of $2,000 annually from the students of Robert Morris private collection. It was less than an interior designer and was not to be purchased.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC SAFETY FAIR
Alderman Mayfield announced the Public Safety Fair, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and explained features; children's activities, CPR station, K-9 unit, new ambulance, multiple safety awareness tips and food provided. She encouraged public participation.

OCTOBER BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
Alderman January commended the Mayor for wearing pink apparel in honor of October “Breast Cancer Awareness Month.” Secondly, she explained the campaign “Bring your Brave” and provided statistics that 1 of 8 woman will have breast cancer equivalent to approximately 200,000 and about 1% of men. She gave a brief overview of signs, symptoms and warnings. She strongly emphasized monthly exams for women and men.

The Mayor appreciated Alderman January for the information. He added that cancer was a very deadly disease and strongly encouraged support of all cancer awareness.

MFT FUNDED PROJECTS
Treasurer Kenneth Robinson alerted and recommended suspended MFT Funded expenditures until state budget was approved. The Mayor directed the Chief of Staff Deb Waszak to inform the staff.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
The Mayor announced a Special Council Meeting, October 12, 2015; 6:00 p.m. for Sheridan Crossing LLC (MDA) Master Development Agreement, communication with HRGovTemp. The U.S. Minority Contractors would be hosting meeting at the North Chicago Library; Thursday, October 15, 2015. He wished his sister “happy birthday.”

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Betty Harris
She expressed disagreement with the liquor license approval. It contributed to additional tasks for the
police and fire department, her concern was for minors attending the establishment. She noted that
the gas station sold expired products to the community. She announced “Reduce Recidivism”
conference held at the Milan Banquet Center, October 09, 2015; from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Torrance Abrams Sr. (Former 5th Ward Alderman)
He suggested setting standards for exclusively beer and wine liquor license.

Azzie Abrams
She also disagreed with council approval of the additional beer and wine license. She assumed that
“we” were establishing some standards for the children.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, September 21, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, September 21, 2015 at 7:55 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: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: Mayfield

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Mayfield.

4-1 “Yard of the Month” – August 2015 Presentation (Jerry & Norma Rutter, 3015 20th Street

Alderman Allen explained that individuals would be selected monthly.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, September, 08, 2015; 8:49 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, September 08, 2015; 8:49 p.m. minutes, be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Mayfield was absent.

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports – September 2015
(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources, Information Technology and Comptroller’s Office

6-2 Homecoming Bonfire; NCCHS Softball Field, October 15, 2015

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus
Vote    Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Mayfield was absent.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 TRANE CORPORATION; REPLACEMENT OF CITY’S BOILER SYSTEM - $279,076.42.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve Tran Corporation for replacing City’s Boiler System in the amount of $279,076.42.

The Mayor commented that the boiler system has existed since the building was constructed.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 PETITION/ORDINANCE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT – MARION JONES REDEVELOPMENT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Special Use Permit at 2323 Commonwealth Ave. (Wind Energy Facility).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT; TITLE 9; CHAPTER 1; STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC WAYS

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Ordinance Amendment to Title 9; Chapter 1.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT; TITLE 10; CHAPTER 5; SECTION 1; NO PARKING PLACES
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Ordinance Amending Title 10; Chapter 5; Section 1; No Parking Places.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 RESOLUTION TO GRANT AUTHORITY OF MAYOR TO SIGN AND FINALIZE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH LAKE COUNTY TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL WATER/WATER MAIN MAINTENANCE TO RESIDENTS OF ARDEN SHORES

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to remove and refer back to Committee.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 AUTHORIZATION FOR PURCHASE OF VERMEER BC 1800XL BRUSH CHIPPED AT NJPA (NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE) – AWARDED BID PRICE OF $68,716.00

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the authorization for purchase of Vermeer BC 1800 XL Brush Chipped at NJPA (National Joint Powers Alliance) – awarded bid price of $68,716.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

7-7 POLICE SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORTH CHICAGO/MIDWEST FAMILY HOUSING

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the Police Services Agreement between North Chicago & Midwest Family Housing.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED
Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Intergovernmental Mutual Fire Protection Agreement between North Chicago Fire Department/Rockland Fire District.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 09/21/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen, to pay the bills of Council Run 09/21/15 in amount of $550,284.71.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged funds were available and would be issued the following day.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Mayfield

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

3RD WARD ANNUAL YARD SALE
Alderman Evans announced the 3rd Ward Annual Yard Sale, Saturday, September 26, 2015 held at MLK Dr. and Kristan Ave.

4th WARD MEETING
Alderman Allen announced the 4th Ward Meeting held at the North Chicago Library, October 03, 2015; 11:00 a.m.

COMMUNITY POLICING
Alderman Markham suggested need of Community Policing and Neighborhood watch in the 5th Ward. He requested information. Police Chief Jackson adhered to his request.

Alderman Allen suggested posting the needed signs.
Various
The Mayor appreciated all that attended, Friday, September 18, 2015 in honor of the “Wives behind the badge.” The blue ribbons observed would remain a week in recognition of the police department. He also appreciated those that attended the IML (Illinois Municipal League Conference and elaborated further.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Shakedia Jones – “Furthering the Lives of Youth” Organization
Ms. Jones explained her travels abroad and explained her organization was a 501 (c) (3); non-for-profit classification and suggested anyone to submit the names of youth that were represented by her business.

Wadell Brooks
He questioned why there wasn’t recognition in the City of North Chicago opposed to other cities.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris stated that individuals of North Chicago were "still good. " She announced event; "Dagwood Day," September 26, 2015 and invited all to participate in peace. The City was in need of a plan; more safety and a grocery store. The schools were essential; a future for the children and emphasized need of collaborating together.

George Moore – “Legacy Re-entry”
Mr. Moore distributed flyers for the "Legacy Re-entry” program. He was appreciative of the City in supporting his organization.

Susan Dixon – 1620 Kemble Ave.
Ms. Dixon explained the Inclusion Clinic for children w/ disabilities, its success and she had more available information; opposed to liquor distributors issuance of a license who didn’t reside in the City. The street sweeper wasn’t cleaning her street properly.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Mayfield was absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 08, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, September 08, 2015 at 8:49 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: Allen

City Clerk Lori Collins read both Resolutions; Honoring Genevieve Rockingham and August (Augie) Hibel.

4-1 Resolution Honoring Genevieve Rockingham

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Honoring Genevieve Rockingham.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

4-2 Resolution Honoring August (Augie) J. Hibel

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Honoring August (Augie) J. Hibel.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

4-3 Recognition of Dave Soto, Water Plant Foreman and Fred (Jerome) Taylor, Water Plant Electrician in Managing July 29, 2015 Water Treatment Plant Incident.

The Mayor commended all employees upon their endurance and dedication to the community.

V. MINUTES
5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, August 17 2015; 7:03 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels that Regular Council Meeting, August 17, 2015; 7:03 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Allen.

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 “Dagwood Day,” Saturday, September 26, 2015; Rally located at North Chicago City Hall, 1850 Lewis Avenue

6-2 Resolution Celebrating 25th Anniversary of Americans with Disabilities Act


COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned item 6-2 and City Clerk Lori Collins explained.

The City Clerk read the Resolution Celebrating 25th Anniversary of American’s passage with Disability Act.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 ORDINANCE AMENDING 8-19-1 – 8-19-4; CURFEW

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Ordinance Amending Title 8; Chapter 19; Section 1 through Title 8; Chapter 19; Section 4; Curfew.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 0 23RD ST.
Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Special Use Permit at 23rd St. & Meadow Lane.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 VARIANCE AT 0 23RD ST.

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Variance at 0 23rd St.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 REPEAL OF ORDINANCE 2014-15; LIQUOR CONTROL

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to Repeal or Ordinance 2014-15; Amending Chapter 13; Section 8; Liquor Control and to permit the issuance of one liquor license for the sale of alcoholic liquor from a window from the interior to the exterior of the licensed premises.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS 09/08/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run, 09/08/15 in the amount of $602,968.20 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm if there were funds available and when would they be disbursed. Mr. Brimm acknowledged there were and would be issued the following day.

Alderman Markham questioned pg. 31; Passion Outreach. Senior City Planner Nimrod Warda explained it was affiliated with CDBG fund allocation to be sent.
Alderman January questioned pg.4; Police Department Petty Cash increase. Mr. Brimm explained that the police department had requested the increase of $1,000. It was a city asset and replenished itself. Secondly, she inquired of the Community Day bills Mr. Brim stated there was an available escrow account.

The Mayor added that the Community Day Coordinator would provide the final update at the following meeting, September 21, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

5TH WARD ANNOUNCEMENT
Alderman Markham announced the 5th Ward Meeting, September 12, 2015; 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at Yeager School, 1811 Morrow Avenue, North Chicago.

CONDOLENCES
Alderman January explained had attended a fine celebration service of the Mayor’s Mother, provided her condolence in behalf of she and her Spouse, Sheild’s Township Trustee Charles January Jr. and the 7th ward constituents.

VARIOUS
The Mayor introduced/welcomed Interim Comptroller Bill Brimm. The Mayor was also very appreciative for all of the condolences and prayers.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Ralph Peterson
Mr. Peterson encouraged participation of the aldermen to attend the event, “Dagwood Days.” There would be news reporters present at the event. He added, was a positive change in the police department that was “news worthy.” It reflected a healing process of the City

“Gator” Bradley
He explained had established the organization within (20) years. He clarified that the donation of $2,000 was returned to the City. He clarified that Mr. Anthony McIntyre wasn’t affiliated with “United in Peace” Organization.

The Mayor stated would extend the 3-minute interval if needed and elaborated further.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE
Alderman Allen was absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, August 17, 2015 at 7:03 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, August, 03, 2015; 7:00 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

The Mayor noted correction to the date of the minutes.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels that Regular Council Meeting, August 03, 2015; 7:00 p.m. minutes, be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports – July 2015
(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources and Information Technology, Comptroller’s Office

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 CITY SALARY ORDINANCE
Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to table item 7-1 and returned to Committee Meeting, September 08, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

7-2 PETITION/ORDINANCE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 2323 COMMONWEALTH AVE. (WIND ENERGY FACILITY)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Special Use Permit at 2323 Commonwealth Ave. (Wind Energy Facility).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 PETITION/ORDINANCE – VARIANCE AT 2323 COMMONWEALTH AVE.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Variance at 2323 Commonwealth Ave.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 SIGN ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Sign Ordinance Text Amendment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
MOTION CARRIED

7-6 COUNCIL CONSIDERATION FOR JOINT EXPANSION OF NORTH CHICAGO AND WAUKEGAN – VISTA HEALTH CENTER PROJECT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Joint Expansion of North Chicago and Waukegan Vista Health Center Project.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January asked for clarification of terminology. Attorney Smith explained it should read Amendment of Enterprise Zone. Alderman Markham abstained due to family member affiliated with joint expansion of Enterprise Zone.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Runnels to amend joint expansion of Enterprise Zone.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: Evans
Abstain: Markham
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 08/17/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen, to pay the bills of Council Run 08/17/15 in amount of $300,528.52.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Steve Drazner if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Interim Comptroller Steve Drazner acknowledged funds were available and would be issued Thursday or Friday.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS
“BACK TO SCHOOL”
Alderman Allen announced that the First Baptist Church at 2219 15th St. would be hosting “Back to School” supplies for the returning students.

5th WARD MEETING
Alderman Markham announced the 5th Ward Meeting held at Yeager School, September 12, 2015; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

3rd WARD MEETING
Alderman Evans announced the 3rd Ward Meeting, held at Foss Park District, August 29, 2015; 9:30a.m. – 11:30 a.m. He questioned the status of Dollar Store maintenance. Economic & CD Ron Lanz stated the storage and trash was to be internal vs. external. He could arrange for someone to discuss this with them. The problem was solved before involvement of adjudication court action but problem would resume.

The Mayor suggested that it was presented to adjudication court. Alderman Evans added there were problems with the inside of the establishment also.

LANDLORD STATUS
Alderman Markham was following up with landlord status. Attorney Smith explained there was a meeting scheduled with them and the 1st letter would be submitted.

CONDOLENCES
The Mayor provided his condolence to the family upon their loss of Jim Van Dien.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Sara Mabler, Becky and Jerry Kluchka
Were present on behalf of the Wind Facility, Special Use Permit at 2323 Commonwealth Ave.

Wadell Brooks
He appreciated City Council support with possible P.A.D.S. facility. Joel didn’t provide all the information/facts. HUD had not approved residential living at that facility. Local police should be hired and would resolve some issues if they resided in the City also. He announced Culture Diversity Forums, September 12, 2015; Health Diversity Forum.

Daisy Brooks
Rescinded her comments.

XI. 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 7:27 p.m.

ATTEST:
Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, August 03, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, August 03, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Pro Tem Alderman Fisher 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

4-1 Captain Hawkins, Commanding Officer Naval station, Great Lakes, IL; “Meet and Greet”

The Mayor introduced Captain Hawkins, Commanding Officer of Great Lakes, and IL

Captain Hawkins introduced himself as the “new guy.” He desired continuing to become “good” neighbors with the City of North Chicago and continued partnerships.

The Mayor welcomed Captain Hawkins with a key to North Chicago.

4-2 Recognition of Citizen Commendation to Susan Hopkins and Lindsay R. Sager.

Fire Chief Dell Urban explained the heroic attentiveness with assistance of Susan Hopkins and Lindsay R. Sager.

The Mayor presented the plaques and commended the heroic efforts of the recipients.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to suspend the Regular Order of Business at 7:11 p.m. and returning it to Committee.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to resume the Regular Order of Business at 7:59 p.m.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, July 20 2015; 7:50 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher that Regular Council Meeting, July 20, 2015; 7:50 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 LAKE COUNTY YOUTH COALITION/NICASA, “BACK TO SCHOOL” AIR, SATURDAY, AUGUST 08, 2015; 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

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

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January stated had received an e-mail that the Mayor had waved the liability insurance. She had concerns if the event was located on school property. The Mayor explained the area was on Dugdale Avenue.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 ICE CREAM VENDOR LICENSE REQUIREMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – ADDITIONAL (1)

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table item 7-1 and returned to Committee due to lack of discussion.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Absent: None
MOTION FAILED

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned when there was discussion. The Mayor explained there was a vendor that had requested an additional license. He clarified once issued; it was a “first come first serve,” for the license.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the additional Ice Cream Vendor License Requirement Ordinance Amendment.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned the area of the vendor that requested the additional license. The Mayor explained the information wasn’t readily available although could obtain it for her.

Alderman Markham questioned the quantity of current licenses.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 AFRO-FEST DONATION - $1,000

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve donation of $1,000 for Afro-Fest.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: Allen
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 “UNITING IN PEACE” - $2,000

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the donation of $2,000 for “Uniting in Peace.”

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January directed question to Attorney Smith if he was able to review the status of the non-profit documentation. Attorney Smith explained he was unable to although a contingency could be included in the motion. Mr. McIntyre stated it was a 501 (C)(3).

Alderman Markham questioned financial structural as to the use of the funds. He requested if Mr. McIntyre could provide a 3-month report to the council. Mr. McIntyre acknowledged he could.
Alderman Evans questioned if there would be additional in the future. Mr. McIntyre stated it would be based on the results partnering with the City of North Chicago. Alderman Evans suggested a possible monthly contract that could be funded.

Alderman Markham questioned clarification if it was nation-wide and if he had discussed the issue with the Police Chief of his plan.

Alderman Fisher called for a question. There were no other questions.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 CITY SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table item 7-4 and returned to Committee.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF MFT FUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL ($32,500) AND ROADWAY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE SERVICES ($15,000), PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE SERVICES ($87,000), ROADWAY MAINTENANCE SERVICES ($87,000), ROADWAY MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES ($142,000), PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ($111,000) AND PAVEMENT RESURFACING CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ($675,000)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that item 7-5 be passed as presented.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned substantial funding for the MFT (Motor Fuel Tax). The Mayor explained that it would be budgeted once funding was released by the State. Alderman January requested that it was included in the motion.

Attorney Smith clarified that it wasn’t a bill to be approved simply how the financing would be expended.

Public Works Director Ed Wilmes stated currently there were sufficient funds in the MFT account.

Attorney Smith stressed that the funding was utilized from the MFT account. Alderman Evans questioned city reimbursement. Mr. Wilmes explained.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 APPROVAL OF WORK ORDER #2 FROM TROTTER & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $58,000 FOR DESIGN, MATERIALS, TESTING AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES ASSOCIATED 2015 MFT PAVING PROJECT.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve Work Order #2; Professional Engineering Services Proposal from Trotter & Associates for services associated with 2015 MFT Paving Project, not to exceed the amount of $58,000 and that the Mayor be authorized to sign Work Order #2. The funds were included in the adopted 2016 MFT Budget.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-7 APPROVAL OF WORK ORDER #3 WITH TROTTER & ASSOCIATES IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $185,600 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REQUIRED TO DESIGN, BID AND PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH 2015 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve Work Order #3; a Professional Engineering Services Proposal from Trotter & Associates for services associated with 2015 Water Main Replacement Project, in amount not to exceed $185,600 and that the Mayor receive authorization to sign Work Order #3. The funds were included in the adopted 2016 Water Fund Budget.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS 08/03/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run, 08/03/15 in the amount of $327,756.76 when funds become available.
COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Steve Drazner if there were funds available and when would they be disbursed. Mr. Drazner acknowledged there were and would be issued by Thursday.

Alderman Evans questioned pg. 8; maintenance Training – Police K-9, how often the K-9’s were trained and vehicle maintenance cost concern. Police Chief Jackson explained the vehicles had continued repairs and were utilized 365/year.

Alderman Markham questioned clarification of pg. 6; Administrative Services, Ancel Glink, Diamond, Bush $6,567.50 and pg. 22; 911 emergency telephone system. Attorney Smith explained they have been the attorney firm for the 911 Telephone Service for many years and same firm for the Economic Development concerning the bond funds for Sheridan Crossing Project. Attorney Smith elaborated further.

Treasurer Kenneth Robinson provided the bond amounts.

Alderman January questioned pg. 10; Streicher's Operating Supplies – Ammunition; $23,472.35 Police Chief Jackson explained there were real bullets utilized during qualification.

Alderman Evans questioned pg. 8; Hometown National Bank payment, August 2015; $9,328.86 amount. The Mayor explained that the new vehicles were leased. The goal was in rotating the leases with the newer vehicles.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

COMMUNITY DAY
Alderman Allen questioned funding statement for Community Day Event. The Mayor explained there was a transition with departure of the former Community Coordinator Tamara Siwula. It will be provided to council.

VARIOUS
Alderman Mayfield congratulated the Fire Department for obtaining a 700K grant, National Nite Out and success of Community Day.

VARIOUS
Treasurer Kenneth Robinson expressed his objections to both Afro Fest and Uniting in Peace donations. There wasn’t written documentation provided. There wasn’t a maintenance program for the vehicles. The Mayor explained there was verbal communication.
FLEET COORDINATOR
Alderman Evans suggested that the Fleet Coordinator position should be utilized from the Public Works Department. He elaborated further. The Mayor stated would review the issue.

Alderman Mayfield clarified that the Fleet Coordinator wasn’t a mechanic and suggested that he explained his position.

Alderman January recalled fleet manager software. Who was the assigned individual to oversee the software. It should be ensured that it was utilized properly.

Alderman Runnels left at 8:40 p.m.

NUISANCE LANDLORDS
Alderman Evans suggested that the ordinance was enforced and would result in less nuisance issues. The City Attorney should handle the complaints. The landlords need to be accountable for the problem tenants.

Alderman Runnels returned at 8:44 p.m. Alderman Markham questioned status of the meeting with the landlords. Attorney Smith would submit report. The Mayor explained that the report would be addressed to all council members.

VARIOUS
The Mayor was gracious for Foss Park District and School District. The Sponsors allowed it in resulting entertainment a free event. He recognized the individuals that participated. He echoed the sentiments of Alderman Mayfield concerning National Nit Out from 4-8 p.m. He encouraged support of the police department.

COMMENDATION
Alderman January commended the Emergency Response System with the tornado warning and the touchdown in the City of Grayslake, Illinois. Her prayers and thoughts to the individuals affected.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Wadell Brooks
He commended the various photographers of Community Day event. The Aldermen had strongly commented. He questioned that the street repairs should be a priority. There was much expended for lawsuits. He inquired if the “Dagwood Hanna” could be expedited from year of 2011.

Daisy Brooks
She discussed the PADS Program. She explained the clients were disabled and needed to assist them become independent and self-sufficient. She was involved with lawyer, Doctors, Principals and Teachers trained properly. There was also 24 hr. supervision provided.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris stated that Community Day was very successful. The schools needed a city improvement plan. Businesses and homeowners were leaving due to the school system. She emphasized that the State wasn’t qualified to oversee the school.
Ralph Peterson
Mr. Peterson stated would provide the information to the Elected Officials concerning “Uniting in Peace.” The Police Chief has “cleaned up” the department and was aware of its functions.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, July 20, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:50 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Absent: Markham

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Markham.

Alderman January stepped out momentarily and returned after roll call.

4-1 Student Youth Employee Recognition

The Mayor commended the students for their efforts. He stated that the program was ending Friday, July 24, 2015; they were a disciplined group of young individuals. Audrey Nixon, Lake County Board member was able to acquire more funding for an additional week. Certificates were issued to the students.

4-2 “Yard of the Month” Recognition – Mr. & Mrs. Charles Daniels

Alderman Allen announced and read the plaque presented to Mr. & Mrs. Charles Daniels of 1901 Natoma Avenue for July 2015 “Yard of the Month”.

Mr. Daniels was very delighted and gracious as a recipient of the award.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, July 06, 2015; 7:38 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

The Mayor noted correction to the date of the minutes.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher that Regular Council Meeting, July 06, 2015; 7:38 p.m. minutes, be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Markham was absent.

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA
6-1 Department Head Reports – June 2015
(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources and Information Technology.

6-2 Community Days, July 31, - August 02, 2015

6-3 Moor Recovery Homes – July 25, 2015 held at 1803 Green Bay Rd.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Markham was absent.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY SERVICES

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance approving Transportation Network Company Services (TNC).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 INTERIM COMPTROLLER – STEVEN DRAZNER

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Interim Comptroller’s appointment to Steven Drazner.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 CITY SALARY ORDINANCE

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to table and defer item 7-3; City Salary Ordinance to Committee, August 03, 2015 for further discussion.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham
MOTION CARRIED

7-4 2016 APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE; $35,896,815
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the 2016 Appropriations Ordinance in the amount of $39,039,619.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 INTERIM CITY ENGINEER – TROTTER & ASSOCIATES

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Trotter & Associates as Interim City Engineer. Four (4) proposals were received from engineering firms that expressed interest to serve as City Engineer. With recommendation of the Public Works Committee and Staff, Trotter & Associates would represent the City on all engineering matters until such time that a recommendation is able to be presented regarding a permanent appointment.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned the status of the previous engineer, RHMG. The Mayor explained the City had received their letter of resignation.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 LAKE COUNTY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION PARTNERSHIP PROPERTY DONATION

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Lake County Residential Development Corporation Partnership property donations.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS
8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 07/20/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen, to pay the bills of Council Run 07/20/15 in amount of $404,410.81 with addition of Wright Way Remodeling; $5,315 and $4,500 to Jewell Electric for powering Community Days; totaling amount of $414,225.81 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Interim Comptroller Steve Drazner if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Interim Comptroller Steve Drazner acknowledged funds were available and would be issued the following day.

Alderman Evans questioned pg. 11; Advance Auto Parts. There were continual expenditures for vehicle maintenance fees. Police Chief Jackson explained the older vehicles required repairs.

Alderman Allen questioned clarification of the Fleet Manager vehicle documentation. Alderman Evans agreed and requested the records the following day.
Alderman Evans questioned food for prisoners and the animal shelter. The Police Chief explained dinners were provided by Full Moon Restaurant & McDonald’s. Alderman Evans inquired of the bicycle patrol, status of “Fat Cat” and concerns of the Fleet Manager ensuring his responsibilities.

Alderman Allen questioned veterinarian care expense for the animals. Police Chief Jackson explained the animals need of care once captured.

Alderman Evans requested a meeting held with the Police Chief.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS
The Mayor commended the Police Department and Lake County Board member Audrey Nixon; regarding “#ask 12” program. He acknowledged the talent show held the previous Saturday. The youth suggested building relationships with the police and youth. He announced Community Days, July 31, - August 02, 2015 and “National Nite Out,” August 04, 2015. He encouraged residents to turn on their porch light if unable to participate. He had acknowledged belated Alderman January’s birthday and lastly, announced the grant awarded for the Fire Department in amount of $780,000.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Betty Harris
She was grateful for the positive city activities, congratulated the student employees and urged additional student employees next year. She suggested partnering with local businesses who have a vested interest and reside in the City. She acknowledged the Police and Fire Departments that were investing in the students. She had strong concerns of the state operating the North Chicago school system. There were deplorable conditions of the school, a need of recruiting and retaining individuals of diversity and she encouraged involvement of the schools.

Charles January
He questioned Transportation Network Company Services and had strong concerns of the department head salaries. Claimed knowledge of a company that could generate approximately (400) opportunities and would contact each aldermen for a presentation.

XI. 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

Alderman Markham was absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, July 06, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, July 06, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Pro Tem Alderman Fisher 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to appoint Alderman Fisher as Temporary Chairman in the absence of Mayor Leon Rockingham Jr. pursuant to section 2-1-5 of the North Chicago City Code.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Fisher (appointed to be chairman)

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, June 15, 2015; 8:12 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that Regular Council Meeting, June 15, 2015; 8:12 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

NONE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-2 CONTRACT APPROVAL NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF $88,952 WITH PUMP-RITE FOR MAINTENANCE REPAIRS TO ABBVIE RAW WATER PUMP #4
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve with recommendations of the Public Works Committee and Staff to motion award contract in the amount not to exceed $88,952 for quote #52815CNC to Pump Rite Inc., of Elmhurst, IL and that the Mayor is authorized to sign the contract. Pump Rite was the lowest and best most qualified bidder among 4 contractors that provided estimates for material and labor.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS 07/06/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run, 07/06/15 in the amount of $574,888.33 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Treasurer Kenneth Robinson if there were funds available and when would they be dispensed. Treasurer stated there were and would be released no later than Thursday.

Alderman Markham questioned invoices of Lake County Partners in the amount of $5,000; Treasurer Robinson stated the fees were for membership dues. Alderman Markham clarified that the original invoice copy he received was billed for a golf outing. Alderman Allen suggested holding the bill. Alderman Markham felt it should have been more explicit on the invoice what the charges were for.

Attorney Chuck Smith explained, included in the bill run was item 7-1 that was to be discussed in Committee Executive Session concerning litigation; pg. 22 - $5,500 full time salaries & wages; pg. 8 - $9,000 Hughes Soco, Piers Resnic (per settlement agreement) and the other portion was part of payroll. He gave option to either vote on the bills with the settlement or approve with exception of the settlement agreement.

Alderman Markham stated that the council should have been notified what the settlement was advertised on the committee agenda. Attorney Smith explained that it was discussed the previous committee meeting and it was clear that it would be presented at current meeting; he apologized for the misunderstanding.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to amend motion to exclude bills of Hughes Soco, Piers Resnic – pg 8 in the amount of $9,000 and Gloria Gibson (per settlement agreement) – pg 22 in the amount of $5,500.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: Markham
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED WITH AMENDMENT

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

NONE

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Officer Taylor (Movement Acts 12)
Announced there would be a talent show and rally hosted by the group “Acts 12”, July 18, 2015 at the North Chicago Community High School.

David Hood
Announced July 11, 2015 event at World Black Ministry and commended the officers who participated in various programs. He expressed observation of police being visible in the community and on the streets. Mr. Hood agreed with the NICASA Program and the Curfew program Officer Rollins spearheaded.

Anthony McIntyre
Stated that United & Peace Incorporated was a non-profit organization that worked directly with public issues; the program was to assist with ex-prisoners transition back into society.

Emma Brown
Ms. Brown spoke in support of United & Peace Incorporated and explained that she would be a resident of the headquarters proposed for the organization. She recognized and appreciated the officer that she witnessed stopped to play basketball with the children. Preventative crime started with young children.

Karen McGraw
Expressed her disapproval of police “identifying” her home by flashing lights into her home, when she called with a complaint of fighting on July 4th. She felt the lights notified the residents of who contacted the police.

Alderman Evans assured that the city was working on nuisance complaints.

Monty Beckwith
Advocated for the elected officials to represent the City in support of the Shaun Marion Camp held at North Chicago Community High School. Shaun Marion would be at the camp Wednesday between 1 & 2 p.m. He asked that the City recognized him for the camp in North Chicago.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to suspend the regular order of business at 8:39 p.m. to go into Executive Session.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to reconvene the regular order of business at 8:49 p.m. to go into Executive Session.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

7-1 GIBSON SETTLEMENT

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the settlement agreement to Gloria Gibson in the amount of $20,000.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, June 15, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, June 15, 2015 at 8:12 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: Evans

4-1 2015 “Firefighter and Officer of the Year” Presentation; Firefighter James Axtt and Training Officer, Kyle Martinelli

Fire Chief Dell Urban highlighted all of the accomplishment of 13-year veteran, James Axtt. She also summed the achievements of 7-year training officer veteran Kyle Martinelli.

4-2 Swearing in Ceremony of New Firefighters; Leonard Cooksey, Michelle Miller and Juan Lopez

It was a very high honor to receive a “firefighter of the year” award. He was appreciative for the services of a firefighter.

The Mayor swore-in and welcomed the newly sworn firefighters and their families.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, June 01, 2015; 7:38 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that Regular Council Meeting, June 01, 2015; 7:38 p.m., be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.
VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports – May 2015

6-2 Resolution Honoring Firefighter Mark Anthony Jacobs

6-3 Resolution Honoring Roger M. Belski

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January that items 6-2 and 6-3 from Omnibus Vote Agenda be moved to Regular Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

Alderman January requested that both Resolutions were read. Honoring Firefighter Mark Anthony Jacobs and Honoring Roger M. Belski. She noted typo to be corrected.

6-2 RESOLUTION HONORING FIREFIGHTER MARK ANTHONY JACOBS

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Honoring Firefighter Mark Anthony Jacobs.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.

6-3 RESOLUTION HONORING ROGER M. BELSKI

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Roger M. Belski.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.

The Mayor stated that both; Firefighter Mark Anthony (Jake) Jacobs and Roger Belski would be “truly missed.” Mark served for many years as firefighter and appreciated his service to the City. Mr. Belski served as a former employee with love of the City concerning his business; Belski Electric.

7-1 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $50,723 WITH PUMP RITE – SPECIALIZED MAINTENANCE REPAIRS FOR WORK REQUIRED IN RESTORING WASH WATER TANK #2 AT WATER PLANT

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the contract in amount not to exceed $50,723 to Pump Rite; specialized maintenance repairs for work required in restoring wash water tank #2 at Water Plant. The Mayor would be authorized to sign the proposal and the funding was inclusive in the 2016 Budget.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 RE-APPOINTMENT OF LILLIE JOPLIN, ZERA DICKERSON, VANCE WYATT, ETTA ROBINSON AND ROBERT RUNNELS TO THE NORTH CHICAGO LIBRARY BOARD

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the re-appointments of the Library Board members as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 2015 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2015 Consolidated Annual Action Plan.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 2015-2019 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSOLIDATED PLAN AMENDMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan Amendment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 2013 AND 2014 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2013 and 2014 Consolidated Annual Action Plan Amendment.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve David J. Geer as the
Interim Electrical Inspector.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-7 OWENS GROUP – INTERIM HR SERVICES AT 100 PER HR.

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Owens Group for Interim
HR Services at 100 per hr.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-8 MILLER COOPER – ADDITIONAL SERVICES RATE OF $97 PER HR.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve Miller Cooper (Annual
Auditing Services) at $97 per hr.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-9 H.R. ASSESSMENT BID PROPOSAL OF $75,000 AWARDED TO OWENS GROUP

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to award the bid proposal of
$75,000 to Owens Group.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
MOTION CARRIED

7-10 ADOPTION OF 2015/2016 PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE
Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve adoption of 2015/2016 Prevailing Wage Ordinance.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

7-11 AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A DURAPATCHER SPRAY INJECTION POTHOLE PATCHER - $50,206
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the authorization to purchase a DuraPatcher spray injection pothole patcher in the amount of $50,206 and that authorization be given to the Mayor signing the purchase order for the machine and associated arrow board. The funding was included in the 2016 budget.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 06/15/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen, to pay the bills of Council Run 06/15/15 in the amount of $271,185.73 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when the checks would be disbursed. Treasurer Kenneth Robinson explained the checks were to be issued and disbursed no later than Friday.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED
IX. MISCELLANEOUS

CONGRATULATIONS
Alderman Mayfield acknowledged Harold Rollins that was honored by Waukegan Township for “men of distinction” award.

The Mayor also congratulated Mr. Rollins.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained the commencement for the “student employment program.” The students were very cooperative with the orientation provided by Mrs. Waszak. She recognized one of the guest speakers; Attorney Chuck Smith that donated 100 t-shirts and questions posed were outstanding.

Attorney Smith explained they were intelligent and energetic young adults. He added was very impressed with them. The future was is “good hands.”

The Mayor stated that several of the students would choose employment during the summer months. There were originally twenty (20) students that were selected for the program and five were seeking employment outside of the City. He clarified that the City had inquired Lake County for five (5) additional employees and their reply was that the students weren’t oriented.

Alderman Allen suggested an additional amount of students for “backup” purposes.

Mrs. Waszak encouraged marketing with smaller businesses for student opportunities the following year. The Mayor added would benefit throughout the community.

LAWN MAINTENANCE
Alderman Allen questioned plan for the lawn maintenance. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained there was privately owned 50 residential lots and was coordinated through the Community Development (Former Building). The contact was Mr. Quist. The students would be able to assist as needed. Mr. Wilmes explained was limited with employees.

The Mayor clarified there was a need of hiring. There would be three (3) seasonal and two (2) full-time employees hired.

Economic & CD Director Ron Lanz explained the process of a lien. There also was a real problem with absentee owners.

Mr. Wilmes stated would provide “cut list” with June report. This will be provided to the Aldermen.

VARIOUS
The Mayor was informed of Larry Mulcrones passing that performed the police audit. The services would be held at St. Odillos, Wednesday, June 17, 2015; 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., located at 2244 E. Berwyn Ave. An e-mail would be submitted.

The Mayor announced would be out of town July 06, 2015. An Alderman would need to be appointed as Pro-tem.
X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Gloria Corona A Plus United Medical Transportation
She had concerns of the Uber. The Mayor and Attorney Smith explained it was a new state law. Attorney Smith elaborated further that effective June 01, 2015, allowed regulation of Uber type businesses. An ordinance would be presented to Committee in the month of July. If the Uber drivers were to be operating, the drivers would need to be regulated by requiring a business license, insurance, and background checks comparable to the other taxi drivers. The Uber drivers would be operating according to the State Statute and city ordinance. They wouldn’t be allowed pickups on naval property. It would be addressed at future city council meetings and the three city taxi companies would be notified.

Alderman January was disappointed that she wasn’t informed of the upcoming issue. Attorney Smith explained that it was a recent development. There were vehicles that were cited by police officers.

Thomas Wade Jr. – A Plus United
He declined to speak.

James Harris – Elite Taxi
He was required to acquire a permit and opposed Uber.

Juan C. Peres – Elite Taxi
He was a taxi driver for a small company of six (6) vehicles. He opposed Uber drivers that operated in the City of North Chicago. Uber should be subject to same regulation.

Suresh Paz – Dada Transportation
He was speaking in behalf of taxi drivers. He suggested lowering the medallion of (Class B) license. He asserted $750 fines were too high and he would need to seek relief.

Ignacio Wadgymar - A Plus United
He declined to speak.

Marc Tobin
He had concerns that he had to pay $1,200 for taxi license and $3,500 annually for commercial insurance. He strongly objected to Uber picking up fares in the City of North Chicago. The Mayor clarified that the City needed to adhere to State Legislation and he disagreed with Uber businesses operating. He advised contacting the State Reps and Senators within the State of Illinois. The City had no control although would regulate and assist the drivers accordingly.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Evans was absent.
The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, June 01, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, June 01, 2015 at 7:38 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman January.

4-1 Resolution Honoring Greater St. James Temple Church of God in Christ 75th Year Church Anniversary

4-2 Resolution Honoring Minnie Rean Cross

The Mayor requested that both Resolutions were moved to regular agenda and voted separately.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, May 18, 2015; 7:03 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels that Regular Council Meeting, May 18, 2015; 7:03 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 “Welcome Home Ceremony,” Lake County Honor Flight, held at the Veterans Memorial Park, 1801 Sheridan Rd., Sunday, June 07, 2015; 6:00 p.m.
Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

VIII REGULAR AGENDA

4-1 RESOLUTION HONORING GREATER ST. JAMES TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST 75TH YEAR CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Greater St. James Temple Church of God in Christ 75th Year Anniversary.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Abstain: Markham
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-2 RESOLUTION HONORING MINNIE REAN CROSS

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Honoring Minnie Rean Cross.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-1 APPROVAL OF 2016 BUDGET

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the 2016 Budget.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT SERVICES WITH MILLER & COOPER

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the contract services with Miller & Cooper.
Alderman Markham moved, seconded by Alderman January to table item 7-2 and return to Committee until the next Council Meeting, June 15, 2015.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith explained that a “motion to table,” took precedence over the motion to approve.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Mayfield, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 ORDINANCE APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF THE ENTERPRISE ZONE

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Enterprise Zone Ordinance Amendment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 06/01/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run, 06/01/15 in the amount of 460,608.89 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned Treasurer Kenneth Robinson if there were funds available and when would they be dispensed. Treasurer stated there were and would be released no later than Thursday.

Alderman Markham questioned status for the reimbursement of North Shore Gas. He explained a follow up was requested at the May 4th meeting. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes elaborated; the City wasn’t currently issuing a reimbursement. He would be consulting with the Attorney to ensure the legitimacy.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS
STATUS OF STUDENTEMPLOYMENT

Alderman Allen questioned the hiring status of summer student employment. The Mayor explained the City was utilizing the service through Lake County for hiring estimating 20 students from North Chicago.

Chief of Staff Deb Waszak confirmed there would be 20 paid by city orientation; June 15, 2015. Alderman Allen inquired discussion with Ms. Betty Harris.

Ms. Harris commended Mrs. Waszak and the Mayor for their efforts. She urged the City to plan in future budgets for investment of the North Chicago students. The Mayor clarified the current program was necessary to ensure student preparation for future employment.

Alderman January also acknowledged the Mayor and Chief of Staff Deb Waszak for their efforts. She was appreciative of the students “reaching out” to the City; suggesting in the near future properly budgeting for the employment program.

VARIOUS

Alderman Mayfield echoed Alderman January with summer youth employment program. She was hopeful of other entities following our lead. In addition, she acknowledged the Public Safety commendation of Police Chief Jackson and Fire Chief Dell Urban.

VARIOUS

Alderman Markham was gracious for the Mayor and City Council acknowledgement of a Resolution for Greater St. James Temple 75th anniversary. Secondly, he announced the 5th Ward meeting, Saturday, June 6th, held at the Prayer Garden Church and encouraged all to attend. Thirdly, he announced a dinner provided at the Holiday Inn, Friday, June 19, 2015. The Mayor congratulated Alderman Markham upon the 75th anniversary of his church.

VARIOUS

Alderman Evans announced the 3rd ward rummage sale, Saturday, June 6th and “Sickle Cell Rally, June 20, 2015, held at the Neal Math & Science Academy. He encouraged attendance.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Wadell Brooks

Mr. Brooks commended Ms. Harris upon her efforts with the summer youth program. He distributed flyers for lawn service implemented by university students. Lastly, he acknowledged the Mayor and Alderman Evans for their attendance of the diversity seminar. He announced, an additional one to be scheduled in September, 2015. Super Target in Lake Bluff was hiring 200 individuals. There were city problems needed to be resolved.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE
The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Mayor Rockingham called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:
Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Absent: Evans, January

Attorney Smith explained that the Public Hearing was properly advertised.

There were no comments from the public. Attorney Smith announced that the Public Hearing would be opened for the statutory requirement of 15 minutes to the elected officials.

Treasurer Kenneth Robinson noted G37; (General Fund Administrative Purposes) #4400; that $2,500 vs. $0. The cost of actuary services for Police & Fire pension. He would provide her the exact amount.

Alderman Markham questioned line item; Citizens Advisory Committee. Account Manager Wendy Swopes explained the Committee was established and business cards were requested. It was suggested that the committee was placed under the legislative category.

Alderman Mayfield entered the council chambers at 5:41 p.m.

Attorney Smith explained how the committee was established requested by the Department of Justice mediation service. He elaborated further.

Mr. Robinson suggested that Citizens Advisory Committee line item was placed under Administrative Services section.

Attorney Smith stated was advisable that a budget was created. The Mayor suggested the amount of $2,500.

The Mayor questioned why $100,000 (Other Professional Services) item was removed from the Mayor’s budget. City Clerk Lori Collins explained it was for the purpose of the lobbyist.

Alderman Mayfield explained there wasn’t full support for a lobbyist.

The Mayor requested that the line item for lobbyist was returned to his budget.

Attorney Smith added that budgeted line items would need council approval. The budget approval would require council approval.

Alderman Markham disagreed reallocating the line item funded amount for a lobbyist if not utilized. Attorney Smith reiterated the need of council approval.
Alderman Allen entered at 5:57 p.m.

Account Manager Wendy Swopes highlighted review for 2016 budget:

It was agreed; a portion for year of 2015/2016 funding amount for Building Improvement line item (Economic Development Category)
The Line item of $100,000 (Other Professional Services) would be replaced in the Mayor’s Budget (G16)
Treasurer Kenneth would provide the funding amount for Police & Fire Pension
Include line item for Citizen’s Advisory Committee from Legislative to Administrative Services (G-32)
Alderman Markham questioned police department overtime of $300,000.

Deputy Wilson explained that the funding for police overtime may decrease contingent upon the summer activity. The Mayor questioned if the newer officers would be utilized with reduced salaries.

The Mayor directed question to Deputy Wilson if there would be an aim in decreasing the overtime. Deputy Wilson responded there would be.

Fire Chief Dell Urban explained that the amount of $145,000 was carried over from 2015 and not to be applied for 2016 budget.

The Mayor questioned if any public comments for the budget and no response.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher that the Public Hearing for 2016 Budget stand adjourned.

Alderman Markham questioned what sources for the public inquiries. Ms. Swopes explained there was an opportunity for public review of the budget books in the City Clerk’s office.

Attorney Smith added that it was a published notice.

ROLL CALL:
Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Absent: Evans, January

The meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.
Regular Meeting, Monday, May 18, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, May 18, 2015 at 7:03 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

V. SWEARING IN OF 4th WARD ALDERMAN BOBBY ALLEN

Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. administered oath to reelected Alderman Bobby Allen of the 4th Ward.

RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT AND DEDICATION

Police Chief Jackson and Deputy Chief Wilson recognized Debra Black retiring after 16 years of service. Deputy Chief presented both her patrol and detective badge.

Detective Black appreciated all that attended. She acknowledged Deputy Chief Wilson for his support.

VI. MINUTES

6-1 The Regular Council Meeting, May 04, 2015; 7:05 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield that Regular Council Meeting, May 04, 2015; 7:05 p.m., be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

7-1 Department Head Reports – April 2015

(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources, Information Technology and Comptroller’s Office)
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VIII. REGULAR AGENDA

8-1 RESOLUTION APPROVING LAND DONATION FROM 1280 BLACKBURN ST. TO CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution approving and donation of 1280 Blackburn St. to City of North Chicago.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the land donation of 1280 Blackburn Street from Lake County Residential Development Corporation.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays; None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

XI. CITY BILLS

9-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 05/18/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans, to pay the bills of Council Run 05/18/15 in the amount of $531,780.61 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Allen questioned pg. 9 Equipment – Desk/Chair and suggested three quotes be obtained to assure the most economical purchase price. Deputy Chief Wilson explained there were funds remaining from Tri-Tech Equipment and assured that Lieutenant Brame purchased the most economical equipment.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when checks would be disbursed. Treasurer Kenneth Robinson explained the checks were to be issued the following day and sent by Friday.

Alderman Allen questioned Economic Development Director Ron Lanz of purchased televisions for the East and West conference rooms according to pg. 21. Mr. Lanz explained that he had a personal membership account with Cosco and used his account to make purchase. He used his account for purpose of lesser cost because of the membership; clarified that it was in the budget to purchase.

Alderman Markham questioned pg. 20; Charzetta Bridgemon for plumbing and if there were other companies that could be used or bid upon. Economic Development Director Ron Lanz stated they were emergency repairs. Alderman Markham asked if more local companies could be used when the City Plumber wasn’t available. Alderman Allen further inquired why
the City Plumber was not utilized, considering his function was for city work. Ron Lanz stated that he was utilized according to the invoices.

Alderman Markham questioned the payment to North Shore Gas; pg. 7. Attorney Smith explained that the City was at fault in a gas leak. Chief of Staff Deb Waszak said that J.U.L.I.E. was not contacted prior to digging in that location. Alderman Markham noted that it could have been avoided.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

X. MISCELLANEOUS

RETIRING TEACHER APPRECIATION RECEPTION
Alderman Mayfield announced the Retiring Teacher Appreciation Reception, Saturday, May 23, 2015 and said that it was open to the public.

5TH WARD MEETING
Alderman Markham announced 5th Ward Meeting, Saturday, June 6 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Prayer Garden Church, 2820 20th Street.

BUZZLE BALL
Alderman Evans requested that Mr. Blake be allowed to speak about Bubble Ball.

XI. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Monty Beckwith
He stated his sympathy for the loss of Minnie Cross who was involved with the community immensely and requested that a resolution be prepared for her. He announced North Chicago Community High School graduation May 30th at Rosalind Franklin University. Mayor Rockingham said a resolution was to be prepared.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris commended the Police Department for interacting with the youth; she gave accolades to the Fire Department. Ms. Harris expressed the need for more youth summer jobs.

Blake Geater
Mr. Geater reintroduced Bubble Soccer; announced July 11th & 27th events and possibly Community Days. Alderman Evans expressed his support.

Mayor Rockingham congratulated Vance Wyatt on his election as a Foss Park Commissioner.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, May 04, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, May 04, 2015 at 7:05 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Absent: Allen, January

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman January.

4-1 Graduation of Upstanding Police Students:
Sharmin Sanchez; Grade 7, Juvon Wilson; Grade 6, Cerenity Reed; Grade 7,
Kimberly Marcano; Grade 8, Phoebe Marcano; Grade 8, Isaiah Burnett; Grade 6,
Deandre Anderson; Grade 6, Nasean Anderson; Grade 7, Giovani Arias; Grade 6, Janet
Vazquez; Grade 8 and Jesus Carillo; Grade 7

The names of the police student graduates were called and certificated were read by Detective Rollins in the following order:

Deandre Anderson  Grade 6
NaSean Anderson  Grade 7
Giovani Arias  Grade 6 (Absent)
Jesus Carillo  Grade 7 (Absent)
Isaiah Burnett  Grade 6
Kimberly/Phoebe Marcano Grade 6/7
Cerenity Reed  Grade 7
Sharmin Sanchez  Grade 7
Janet Vazquez  Grade 8

Lake County Community Partners had recognized Detective Rollins and Smith.

The Mayor honored the students from grades of 6-8.

Detective Rollins explained was an 8-week program for Citizens Police Academy; introduced to Neal Math & Science Academy. Their perception had changed from “beginning to end.” Other plaques were issued to others.

4-2 Presentation – “Peace Officer Memorial Day”/“Police Week Proclamation”
“Police officer of the Year” Presentation – Sgt. Eric Martin, Detective Carl Sturt and Officer Jason Geryol.

City Clerk Lori Collins read the "Police Week" Proclamation.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the "Police Week" Proclamation.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen and January were absent.

Deputy Police Chief Wilson presented plaques to Sgt. Eric Martin as “Supervisor of the Year,” Carl Sturt as “Detective of the Year” and Jason Geryol as “Officer of the Year.”

The Mayor commended all of the officers. He announced bike patrol in attempting to interact with the citizens.

Detective Carl Sturt presented a plaque to Police Chief Jackson and Deputy Chief Wilson in behalf of Union #131.

V. SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

5-1 SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Ceremony was performed to install the newly Elected Officials:

Bonny Mayfield, 2nd Ward Alderman
Bob Runnels, Sr., 6th Ward Alderman

Alderman Bonny Mayfield and Alderman Bob Runnels were sworn in as 2nd and 6th Ward Aldermen. Alderman Allen was absent.

Mayor stated was an honor to swear both aldermen in upon their dedication. He extended his appreciation.

VI. MINUTES

6-1 The Regular Council Meeting, April 20, 2015; 7:00 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Markham moved, seconded by alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher that Regular Council Minutes, April 20, 2015; 7:00 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen and January were absent.
VII. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

7-1 Fort2Base Race, August 23, 2015; 7:00 a.m.

7-2 Black Navy Veterans of Great Lakes Memorial Celebration/Observance, May 25 2015; 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen and January were absent.

VIII. REGULAR AGENDA

REGULAR AGENDA

8-1 PETITION/ORDINANCE FOR ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Zoning Text Amendment.

Senior City Planner Nimrod Warda explained the Zoning Text Amendment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

8-2 PETITION/ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT TO SIGN ORDINANCE

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Text Amendment to the Sign Ordinance for its regulations.

Mr. Warda explained the Text Amendment to Sign Ordinance.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

8-3 AWARD OF 2015 STREET SWEEPING CONTRACT TO TGK ENVIRONMENTAL NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF $18,200

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve with recommendation of the Public Works Committee and Staff, that TGK Environmental of Waukegan, as the low
bidder among 3 qualified; submitting bids for work advertised by Lake County Municipal League, not to exceed the amount of $18,200 for the completion of the street sweeping services for calendar year of 2015; and the Mayor be authorized to sign the contract. The funding source for this contract will be utilized from year of 2016 MFT Funds.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

8-4 CONTRACT EXTENTION – HOERR CONSTRUCTION; SANITARY SEWER LINING NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF $50,000
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution Approving the Contract extension of existing 2013 contract with Hoerr Utility Contractors, for one additional year, in an amount not to exceed $50,000 for continuation of the Sanitary Sewer lining work on Lincoln and Adams Streets and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the 2015 Contract Extension which is contingent upon the passage of the 2016 Enterprise budget.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

8-5 A PLUS UNITED MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION – COLOR/LETTERING/LICENSE APPROVAL
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve A Plus United Medical Transportation for color/lettering and license approval.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Ms. Gloria Corona was present to address any questions posed.

Attorney Smith explained that C&C Transportation was transferring as an “open license”

Ms. Corona elaborated further there would be 15 employees; 15 taxis located at 1724 Sheridan Rd., in the City of North Chicago.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

8-6 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND SUBMITTAL OF A COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION IN AMOUNT OF $100,000 – INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT
REPLACING WATER MAINS ON SHERMAN AVENUE, 18TH STREET, 18TH PLACE, DUGDALE ROAD AND ARGONNE DR.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the recommendation of the Public Works Committee and Staff, supporting the execution and submittal of a Community Block Grant (CDBG) application for program year of 2015 to Lake County Development Commission in amount of $100,000 for public infrastructure improvement to replace water mains on Sherman Ave., 18th Street/Place, Dugdale Road and Argonne Dr.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

IX. CITY BILLS

9-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS –05/04/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 05/04/15 in the amount of $632,648.19 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Markham questioned pg. 4; Legislative; he questioned why Citizens Advisory Committee expense item was placed in the Legislative section. Chief of Staff Deb Waszak explained that it was an oversight and it would be relocated to the Human Resources category.

Alderman Markham addressed pg. 1; General Corporate Fund; Revenue Accounts noting many reimbursements issued. Deputy Chief Wilson explained.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: None
Absent: Allen, January

MOTION CARRIED

X. MISCELLANEOUS

VARIOUS
Alderman Mayfield was appreciative for the citizens for their political support. She commended the Mayor as a recipient of an Eagle Scout award. The Mayor added that the recognition by the Eagle Scouts was Lake County wide. Two (2) firefighters received valor awards.

Fire Chief Urban elaborated further that it was “an act of bravery, recommended by Lake County Fire Chiefs.”
Alderman Runnels extended his gratitude to the citizens for their political support.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
The Mayor also congratulated Alderman Allen for his re-election.

ANNOUNCEMENT
Alderman Evans informed the public of the 3rd ward meeting; May 16, 2015; 10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m., held at Foss Park District (Community Youth Center). He commended the police students for expressing their gratefulness to the City.

XI. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Wadell Brooks
Mr. Brooks announced the cultural diversity forum, A continental breakfast would be provided free of charge, May 09, 2015, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., held at Lake County College, Grayslake, IL facility. There was a need to respect one another; currently, there wasn’t proper leadership

David Hood
Mr. Hood clarified that the police were transparent. He urged the initiative to be pro-active.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, April 20, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, April 20, 2015 at 7:00 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

The Deputy City Clerk, Dee Tate read the Resolutions Honoring Robert Presley and Clarence Gaines Jr.

4-1 Resolution Honoring Robert Presley

The Mayor commended Mr. Presley.

4-2 Resolution Honoring Clarence Gaines Jr.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolutions for items 4-1 and 4-2.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-3 Library Presentation

REMOVED

4-4 Shields Township “Top Box Food Express” Presentation – Cynthia Maloney

Cynthia Maloney, Shields Township Supervisor explained her presentation for “Top Box Food Express” was due to the request of Alderman Markham. She displayed the selective option items; Garden Box, Meat Box and Combo box. Mr. Chris Kennedy and his spouse were the originators of the program. He provided a history of the organization. They accepted all
forms of monetary means of purchasing the goods.

The Elected Officials were encouraged to inform their constituents. Mr. Kennedy was willing to extend the program for 5-years.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, April 06, 2015; 7:09 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, April 06, 2015; 7:09 p.m., be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports – March, 2015

(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources and Information Technology and Comptroller’s Office)

6-2 Proclamation – “Municipal Clerk’s Week,” May 3-9, 2015

The Deputy City Clerk read both proclamations; 6-2; “Municipal Clerk’s Week” and 6-3; “Breathe Deep North Shore Day.”

6-3 Proclamation – “Breathe Deep North Shore Day”

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Mayor acknowledged all Municipal Clerks and the Deputies with upcoming “Municipal Clerk’s Week;” congratulated and demonstrated his appreciation for the City and Deputy Clerk. He elaborated further explaining the duties.

Continuing, he expounded on the Proclamation for “Breathe Deep North Shore Day,” clarifying that cancer wasn’t biased. It has affected ages, genders and ethnicities of all families. He explained that the 5K run, (2-mile walk) and balloon launch was for the purpose of raising awareness and crucial funds for lung cancer research.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 UPDATED INTERGOVERNMENTAL MUTUAL FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF NORTH CHICAGO AND LIBERTYVILLE

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the updated
Intergovernmental Mutual Fire Protection Agreement between City of North Chicago and Libertyville.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Evans inquired explanation of the agreement. Fire Chief Dell Urban stated it was updated verbiage between City of North Chicago and Libertyville for the Arial Response.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 BID AWARD TO BERGER EXCAVATING CONTRACTORS – 2619 MLK WATER MAIN EXTENSION

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the bid awarded contract to Berger Excavating Contractors; the lowest bidder of 4 who qualified; in the amount not to exceed $102,489.63 for completion of 2619 MLK DR. Water Main Extension Project and the Public Works Director be authorized to sign the contract. The funding source would be utilized from the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant Funds).

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: Allen
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 LCWD SUMMER YOUTH JOB PROGRAM – ADDITIONAL COSTS/JOBS

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to remove item 7-3; Lake County Workforce Development (LCWD) Summer Youth Job Program – Additional Costs/Jobs from the agenda and returned to Committee for further discussion.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 04/20/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 04/20/15 in the amount of $391,795.40 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when disbursed. Treasurer Kenneth Robinson explained the checks were to be issued the following day and sent by Friday.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

THIRD WARD MEETING
Alderman Evans announced the Third Ward meeting, Saturday, May 16, 2015. It will be held at the Community Youth Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

OBSERVANCE
Alderman January stated her observation of non-North Chicago taxi transportation vehicles picking up military personnel. She emphasized the unfairness to the licensed taxis losing monetary value.

The Mayor clarified if they had medallions viewed on their taxis they would be allowed to pick up. The fee was $1,000 annually. He did note that some drivers were fined in the adjudication court.

Police Chief Jackson was addressed of the issue. He questioned the specific establishment. Alderman January provided the information. She inquired the quantity of unlicensed drivers that were issued citations.

14TH ST. PROJECT RECONSTRUCTION
The Mayor informed the public of the 14th Street Project Reconstruction; the 2nd preliminary phase. He encouraged participation of the public, to be held at the Greenbelt Cultural Center, Tuesday, April 28, 2015; 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The council members were encouraged to communicate this with their ward constituents. The projected construction would commence in the year of 2017.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Betty Harris – North Chicago
Ms. Harris addressed the youth programs. She commented on the City’s professionalism. She strongly stressed the need with attraction to the youth with a quality school system and their necessary training. It was the City’s obligation to hold the administration accountable.

Susan Dixon – 1620 Kemble
Ms. Dixon suggested quality patches for the potholes. The televised meetings of City Council Sunday from 12-2:00 p.m. didn’t videotape the section of agenda items to be approved. It was pertinent to inform the public what was approved.

The Mayor explained was in the process of cold patching with the weather change. As it changes to a warmer climate, the City could elect to warm patching.
XI. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the Council; a motion was made by Alderman Runnels, seconded by Alderman Markham that the meeting stand adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, April 06, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, April 06, 2015 at 7:09 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

4-1 Telecommunicator of the Year - Steven Jackson

The City Clerk read the Proclamation for National Telecommunicator’s Week.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Proclamation for National Telecommunicator’s Week.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Mayor expounded further, the depth and importance of emergency response. Telecommunicators were integral in the process for safety of the community. Police Chief Jackson commended all the telecommunicators for their hard work. Deputy Chief Wilson presented Steve Jackson with a plaque from the City and Police Department.

Dennis Cress provided statistic of 29,612 dispatched calls.

4-2 Recognition of Gloria Carr

The Mayor explained in 2011, there was an incident resulting in the loss of Darrin Hanna’s life, a very turmoil experience. He recognized Ms. Carr in a speech of leadership he gave as keynote speaker in Bloomington, IL regarding police use of excessive force. She was beneficial for the betterment of the North Chicago Police Department. He acknowledged the Police Chief and Deputy; he read the plaque that was presented to Ms. Carr.

Ms. Carr stated that many individuals questioned her acceptance of the award from the City. She explained that she “forgave although hasn’t forgotten the six wrongful officers. She received the plaque in behalf of her son. She appreciated encouragement from her Pastor (Roberson) to “stay on the wall.” She was gracious for the following individuals: Reverend DeVost, Pastor Richards, Dr. Wadell Brooks and Attorney Kevin O’Connor for their support in
her time of crisis. She commended the Mayor and requested closure “moving the City forward.”

Pastor Roberson commended Ms. Carr for her courage and professionalism.

Pastor Richards thanked her for being the “light in Jesus.”

Dr. Wadell Brooks stated that she was the “Mother of Lake County.” The “Savior of the Community.”

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, March 16, 2015; 7:25 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, March 19, 2015; 6:03 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Markham moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher that Regular Council Meeting, March 16, 2015; 7:25 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, March 19, 2015; 6:03 p.m. be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Proclamation – Mayor’s Day of Recognition for National Service, April 07, 2015

6-2 Proclamation – National Telecommunicator’s Week, April 12-19, 2015
Approved After Roll Call

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

NO ITEMS WERE PRESENTED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 04/06/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run 04/16/15 in the amount of $501,820.02 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when they would be disbursed. Treasurer Kenneth Robinson acknowledged there were funds with the exception
of the Lake County CDBG payment which was to be expected within approximately (10) days.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Alderman Mayfield commended Ms. Carr for her leadership and courage during the turbulent times.

The Mayor appreciated all those that attended the Council Meeting.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Wadell Brooks
Mr. Brooks clarified that the City received $125,000 from State Representative Mayfield to support a grocery store and the City lost that opportunity. Ms. Carr was seeking justice for her concerning the six wrongful officers in 2011. He emphasized the horrid condition of the streets throughout the city with desperate need of repair. He questioned specific streets to be repaired. He noted there were three aldermanic candidates in the upcoming election who were uncontested.

Alderman Allen stated his inquiry to the Engineer concerning the streets. Mr. Brooks stated the need of collaborative efforts.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris added commendation to Ms. Carr for her bravery and class while in duress. Lake County Coroner Thomas Rudd was inadvertently not recognized for his assistance in the "Darrin Hanna case." She emphasized the necessity of employing the North Chicago youth. The seniors of North Chicago had "little money" due to the increased property taxes and were forced to move from their homes.

Charles January
Mr. January announced the Top Box Foods Express that delivered discounted merchandise at the North Chicago Library, every 3rd Wednesday between 4-6 p.m. He stated his disappointment with the needed street repairs. The current administration had additional department heads. He disagreed with the police presentation and felt the department had "run amuck!" There was no control. He questioned the comprehensive/strategic plan. The Park District was in disarray; encouraged participation from the public.

The Mayor clarified that townships were zoned according to the quantity of roads and municipalities that received motor fuel tax based on population. He explained the City was in the process of obtaining a comprehensive/strategic plan.
Susan Dixon
Ms. Dixon said she photographed areas of murders throughout the community. There were families that were mourning and she chose not to publicize the pictures. Felt there was corruption in the City of North Chicago. The water bills were also excessive.

The Mayor stated the City had not increased water rates the previous 2 years.

Ted Wilder
Mr. Wilder stated there was lack of knowledge with oneself affecting the children. He announced a documentary called "Hidden Colors 3," scheduled April 11, 2015 at the Public Library; "Rules of Racism," "Triumph of Melanin" and the "Untold Story of People with Aboriginal, Moor and African descent."

XI. 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 7:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Special Meeting, Thursday, March 19, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Special meeting Thursday, March 19, 2015 at 6:03 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: Evans

III. REGULAR AGENDA

3-1 RESOLUTION APPROVING SHERIDAN CROSSING LLC DESIGNATION AS MASTER DEVELOPER FOR SHERIDAN CROSSING

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution for Sheridan Crossing LLC designating as Master Developer for Sheridan Crossing.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

3-2 2015 IMRF S125 RESOLUTION

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2015 IMRF S125 Resolution.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Comptroller Gloria Gibson explained the IMRF S125 Resolution. The intentions of the Resolution was to include the S125 (Healthcare Spending Account). The deadline was March 30, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Evans

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Evans.
IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS
There were no citizen comments.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE
The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, March 16, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:25 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, March 02, 2015; 7:00 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, March 02, 2015; 7:00 p.m., be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports

(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources and Information Technology and Comptroller’s Office)

6-2 Salvation Army, Donut Day, Friday/Saturday, May 29-30/June 5-6, 2015

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Markham inquired various questions concerning the city partnering with the commissary; city stickers, upstanding police students with further education of law enforcement questioning potential city employment; the sales tax was budgeted lower; business license payments and Redflex C&C Collections.
The Mayor explained the city stickers were issued free of charge to city residents with provided vehicle information.

The Police Chief explained the Board of Fire and Police would provide the hiring.

The Mayor elaborated further that there was a process of application that involved the evaluation, physical agility and was placed in higher ranking category.

Comptroller Gloria Gibson explained the sales tax was provided 1-2 months prior, the business license payments were received accordingly and she was in the process of collaborating with Redflex for a smoother process for payments.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROTECT FULL FUNDING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISTRIBUTIVE FUND REVENUES

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Resolution Urging the Governor and General Assembly to Protect Full Funding of Local Government Distributive Fund Revenues.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
The Mayor explained Governor Rauner’s process. There would be a loss of $1.6 million in the general corporate fund. It would result in loss of employment. The Resolution would be submitted to the Governor in Springfield.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 RECORDS MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE; $95,499

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the records management software in the amount of $95,499.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 PURCHASE OF MOBILE DATA TABLETS W/ HARDWARE; $109,118

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the purchase of mobile date tablets including the hardware in the amount of $109,118.
COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned the departmental purchase.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 2014 JOHNSON PAVING – CITY PARKING LOTS; $196,745.59

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the 2014 Johnson Paving for the city parking lots in the amount of $196,745.59.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Evans clarified the funding was utilized from the Motor Fuel Tax Improvements.

Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to include the costs were utilized by the Motor Fuel Funds.

Alderman Markham questioned if it was inclusive in the budget. The Mayor explained that the City was expending what portion was completed.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-5 FOSS PARK WATER MAIN BREAK REPAIR – CONTRACT SERVICES; $48,377.97

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Foss Park water main break repair contract services in the amount of $48,377.97.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
The Mayor questioned company performing the repair. Public Works Director Ed Wilmes explained; Berger Excavating Contractors elaborating further.

Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded by Alderman Allen to include the name of Berger Excavating Contractors.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED
Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the internal lighting payment; DCEO Grant in the amount of $59,316.43/ICE Grant; $47,803.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
The Mayor questioned the grant funding provided and the vendor. Mr. Wilmes explained the grants were pre-approved for stipulations and vendor provided with product and labor.

Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to include vendor name of Twin Supplies, Ltd.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-7 2015 LEAK DETENTION PROGRAM - $7,500

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2015 Leak Detention Program in the amount of $7,500 performed by ABS Environmental.

Alderman Evans amended motion, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to include vendor name of ABS Environmental.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-8 CONSIDERATION WITH RE-APPOINTMENT OF TERESA ODOM TO POLICE PENSION BOARD FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM (EFFECTIVE MAY 01, 2015 – APRIL 30, 2017)

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the re-appointment of Teresa Odom to the Police Pension Board for a two-year term. (Effective May 01, 2015 – April 30, 2017)

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January clarified there wasn’t any discussion of the reappointment. The Mayor explained that it was presented before council with the first appointment.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

7-9 CONSIDERATION WITH RE-APPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY CLARK TO POLICE PENSION BOARD FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM (EFFECTIVE MAY 01, 2015 – APRIL 30, 2018)

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve items 7-9- 7-11 with correction of item 7-9 to reflect the re-appointment of Timothy Clark to the Police Pension Board for a two-year term. (Effective May 01, 2015 – April 30, 2017)

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-10 CONSIDERATION WITH RE-APPOINTMENT OF DELL URBAN TO FIRE PENSION BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM (EFFECTIVE MAY 01, 2015 – APRIL 30, 2018)

INCLUDED IN MOTION OF ITEM 7-9

7-11 CONSIDERATION WITH RE-APPOINTMENT OF KENNETH ROBINSON TO FIRE PENSION BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM (EFFECTIVE MAY 01, 2015 – APRIL 30, 2018)

INCLUDED IN MOTION OF ITEM 7-9

7-12 JUCHA (FOUR ANCHORS TATTOO PARLOR) SETTLEMENT

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Jucha (Four Anchors Tattoo Parlor) settlement in the amount of $32,000 including all damages and attorney fees.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Abstain: Markham
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-13 SUMMER JOBS PROGRAM
Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to approve the Summer Jobs Program with Lake County Development Workforce.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Markham questioned amount of 10 positions for City of North Chicago. Alderman Mayfield also stated if there were additional positions; currently there were 10.

Alderman Mayfield amended motion, seconded by Alderman Evans to include 10 positions for City of North Chicago.
Alderman Evans questioned program commencement. Alderman Mayfield explained it was a six-week program at the end of the school year.

Alderman Markham requested to remove the position amount.

Alderman Mayfield withdrew amended motion, seconded by Alderman Evans to include 10 positions.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-14 PETITION/ORDINANCE FOR PLAT OF SUBDIVISION AT 2315 GREEN BAY ROAD

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Plat of Subdivision at 2315 Green Bay Road.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Allen questioned update. Economic & Community Development Director Ron Lanz explained it was a plat of subdivision for O’Reilly’s Auto Repair. It would be subdivided in two separate parcels.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-15 PETITION/ORDINANCE FOR ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AT 1321 VICTORIA STREET

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Zoning Map Amendment at 1321 Victoria Street.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Mr. Lanz explained it was an amendment to original zoning error that reflected multi-family that should reflect R3 single family.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS
8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 03/16/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run 03/16/15 in the amount of $305,772.03 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if funds were available. Comptroller Gloria Gibson acknowledged they were with the exception of CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) checks. The City was awaiting the invoice from Lake County. Alderman January inquired possibly removing it from the City Bills.

The Mayor explained suggested approving the bills while awaiting the clearance.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

LANDLORD ASSOCIATION
Alderman Evans announced the Landlord Association Meeting; March 24, 2015 held at City Hall; 7:00 p.m. He encouraged participation.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Alderman Markham acknowledged the Mayor, State Representative Mayfield and city staff for their participation at the 5th Ward Meeting.

NLC (NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES) CONFERENCE
The Mayor appreciated the Aldermen especially those who had attended the National League of Cities Conference. He met with Senator Durbin, Senator John McCain, Senator Kirk’s Staff and Congressman Dole. He was hopeful of allowing a hybrid commissary that would be opened to the military and public. He explained the necessary national process through the pentagon department of defense due to a potential hybrid. It would need justification and how it could benefit the City and the military. Additionally, it would assist in supporting the commissary with growth and generated sales tax mainly to the City. He added that Senator Durbin’s staff was more receptive.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Wadell Brooks Sr. – North Chicago
Mr. Brooks encouraged participation of individuals. He commended Alderman Markham and Evans for their efforts in their wards. The City had the highest paid department heads in Lake County. The streets were in need of repair etc.

Ralph Peterson
Mr. Peterson was impressed with the police department. The City had embarked upon positive change. He requested more involvement.
Betty Harris – North Chicago
Ms. Harris was hopeful of a plan with the summer program. The “children were our future.” She strongly urged attendance with the school board meetings, stressing the importance of quality education. The meetings were also posted on the city web-site. She firmly disagreed with the State overseeing the schools.

Susan Dixon – 1620 Kemble Ave.
Ms. Dixon stated that 14th Street was in need of repair. There was financial recorded information provided at the library. The Mayor explained that 14th Street was in process of a traffic study projected for year of 2017.

Recognition
The Mayor announced the recognition of Mrs. Gloria Carr with “holding back the violence,” presented at the next Council Meeting, April 06, 2015.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE
The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, March 02, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, March 02, 2015 at 7:00 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Absent: Markham

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to allow Alderman Fisher remote participation of the Council Meeting.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

4-1 Recognition – “Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.”

The Mayor explained that it was voluntary participation and flower planting in the City.

Cynthia Alexander, President commended Delores Clark, member as most influential in planting flowers in the City.

4-2 Presentation from Kenny Smith – “Medical Mission to Nigeria”

The Mayor announced the absence of the presenter, Kenny Smith.

4-3 Fire Department Presentation for Smoke Detector Update “Spring Ahead,” March 8, 2105

Firefighter Ricketts explained the importance of a smoke detector and were provided free. He reminded the residents with inspecting the batteries when changing the time ahead.
The Mayor stressed the necessity.

**V. MINUTES**

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, February 16, 2015; 7:00 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

**MOTION:**
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, February 16, 2015; 7:00 p.m. be passed as presented.

**ROLL CALL:**
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

**MOTION CARRIED**

**VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA**

6-1 Ragnar Relay, Saturday, June 13, 2015

6-2 Resolution Honoring Brother Archie Carneal Senter

The City Clerk read the Resolution.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Honoring Brother Archie Carneal Senter.

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

Alderman Markham was absent.

The Mayor stated that Archie Senter was the first black Treasurer of North Chicago.

**VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

7-1 RESOLUTION – 2015-2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Resolution from year of 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

**ROLL CALL:**
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

**MOTION CARRIED**
7-2 GREAT LAKES METRA STATION SUB-LEASE AMENDMENT (AND SUBSEQUENT TRANSITION TO METRA)

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Markham.

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Great Lakes Metra Station Sub-lease Amendment and subsequent transition to Metra.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 PURCHASE OF 3 FIRE DEPARTMENT CARDIAC MONITORS FROM ZOLL; $81,795

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the purchase of 3 fire department cardiac monitors from Zoll in the amount of $81,795.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 RESOLUTION REALLOCATING 2015 PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND CAP AMOUNT; $3,3003,800

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Resolution Reallocating 2015 Private Activity Bond Cap amount of $3,3003,800 to Village of Buffalo Grove.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 03/02/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run, March 02, 2015 in the amount of 412,559.58 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when they would be
disbursed. Comptroller Gloria Gibson acknowledged they were and would be provided the following day.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Markham

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

FIFTH WARD MEETING
In the absence of Alderman Markham, Alderman January announced the Fifth Ward Meeting, March 07, 2015; from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Treasurer Kenneth Robinson clarified savings of estimated $400,000; approximately doubled the life of the bonds. He publicly recognized Ms. Gibson for her diligence ensuring the bond completion.

The Mayor also explained that it resulted with increased city ratings and acknowledged his fine department staff.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Judith Rae Ross (Ring Youth Boxing Program)
She was hopeful in developing a fine relationship with North Chicago.

Monty Beckwith
He recognized Robert Pressley, the former school band conductor for his tribute and employment in the City. Including, there was an advertised article. He requested that the City issued a resolution and that it was presented in Mr. Pressley’s honor. District 187 retirement party was hopeful to present a resolution or option of a “Robert Presley Day.”

David Hood
He emphasized the incident with Police Chief Jackson impacted his leadership. He strongly stressed the importance of providing an example to the youth; emphasizing the need of collaboration with the men. He was “my brother’s keeper” and would ensure moving the city forward.

Wadell Brooks
He clarified that Mr. Archie Senter was the 35th Grand Master in Lake County and the State of Illinois. “Saving North Chicago,” impacted the children.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris clarified the positive changing of the City and moving forward. She emphasized the city obligation to provide employment for the youth. She has dedicated programs in assisting them. The leadership had accomplished some progress. The City had to demand a quality school system.
Ralph Peterson
He excused himself directly to Alderman Evans for his absence at the 3rd ward event. He clarified the pastor’s presence at the churches. Although there were some changes, their transparency was needed in the community.

The Mayor acknowledged Alderman Evans’ ward meeting; it was informative concerning the blood drive for sickle cell anemia. He suggested that it was locally offered in Lake County.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, February 16, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, February 16, 2015 at 7:00 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Absent: Allen, January

The Mayor announced the absence of Alderman Allen.

V. MINUTES

5- The Regular Council Meeting, February 02, 2015; 8:15 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, February 02, 2015; 8:15 p.m., be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen and January were absent.

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports

(Treasurer, Water, Mayor’s Office, Police, Fire, Economic/Community Development, Public Works, Engineer, Human Resources and Information Technology)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen and January were absent.
VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 APPOINTMENT OF MR. ARTHUR DEVOST TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) CITIZEN’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Mayor introduced Reverend Arthur DeVost and explained that although Lake County was administering the HUD funds, the City had the rights to distribute them. The members of the committee determined the allocation. Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the appointment of Mr. Arthur DeVost to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen’s Advisory Committee.

Mr. DeVost was very appreciative for the appointment to the CDBG Citizen’s Advisory Committee.

The Mayor welcomed Mr. DeVost to the Committee and for committing his time accordingly.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 CONSIDERATION OF PAY INCREASE FOR FRED ALEXANDER (INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR VIDEOGRAPHER FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS)

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve a pay increase of $210 vs. $150 per council meeting.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 PETITION/ORDINANCE – ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AT 1000 SHERIDAN RD. (A.K.A, 303 10TH ST.)

Alderman Fisher moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Zoning Map Amendment at 1000 Sheridan Rd. (a.k.a., 303 10th St.)

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED
7-4 SECOND AMENDMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT – THE ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN SERVICES (GRANT PLACE)

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the Second Amendment to the License Agreement for The Alliance for Human Services at Grant Place.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 02/16/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to pay the bills of Council Run 02/16/15 in the amount of $376,205.80 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned if funds were available. Account Manager Wendy Swopes acknowledged they were excluding CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) checks.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Markham, Runnels
Nays: January
Absent: Allen

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

ANNOUNCEMENT/COMMENDATION
Alderman Markham announced the 5th Ward Forum; Saturday March 07, 2015; 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., held at 1730 Lewis Ave, (Foss Park Community Center). There would be food provided by a city restaurant ("Lasagna Stop") including State Representative Rita Mayfield, some elected officials and police department. He also commended the police department (Officer Greer) in assisting him expeditiously with his vehicle problems on Rt. 41 and remaining with him until a tow company arrived.

WINTER FESTIVAL
Alderman Evans announced the “3rd Ward Annual Indoor Winter Festival,” Saturday, February 28, 2015; 11:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m., held at Foss Park Community Center, Lewis Avenue. There were fliers available in the council chambers. Including, would be fun/games face painting, free physicals, blood drive, Food Merchants, raffles and other events. Lasagna Stop city restaurant would provide the food. He encouraged participation of the family event.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS
David E. Hood Sr.
Mr. Hood clarified since the year of 2010, 10 out of 16 murders haven’t been solved in the City and 4 police officers were responsible for them. There was lack of control and no police officer visibility for hours. He requested that citizen complaints were presented to the Police Citizen Advisory Committee. There was needed action following the forum.

Steve McInnis
Mr. McInnis was disappointed that nothing had changed; no strategic plan, the council was reactive vs. pro-active and demand plan from the department heads. He disagreed with a 3rd towing company and ordinance review.

Richard Otero
He explained was the owner of a 24hr. North Chicago Auto Service; 25+ years and a resident that supported the city businesses. He stressed the unfairness with an outside company and the needed patronization.

David Stoner
Mr. Stoner stated was currently employed with a North Chicago towing company and disagreed with a third company. The City also needed a grocery establishment.

Ralph Peterson
Mr. Peterson clarified that the “murder of Darrin Hanna would fix itself.” He has developed a positive relationship with the Police Chief and Deputy which have been responsive and contributed the positive city change to Darrin Hanna.

Betty Harris
Ms. Harris commended Public Works Director Ed Wilmes for cleaning the snow in the alleyways. She recognized the Fire and Police department for volunteering their time as tutors and their positive image; also acknowledging the council for their progressing leadership. She has witnessed positive change. Ms. Harris strongly encouraged the council with a plan for the youth. There was also needed support of the city businesses.

Charles January – Shield’s Township Trustee
Mr. January echoed Mr. McInnis that there wasn’t a strategic plan and disagreed with the third towing company. He recognized the new restaurant Lasagna Stop. He was disappointed with no economic development and currently no leadership in the comptroller’s office. He requested a complete salary list and overtime of the police department. Also he questioned plan for the board-ups.

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman Allen was absent.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

ATTEST:
Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, February 02 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, February 02, 2015 at 8:15 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to allow Alderman Fisher remote participation of the Council Meeting.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

4-1 Swearing in of Firefighter New Hires; Jose Sanchez-Vega, Nicolas Dina, (Paid-on-call; Daniel Garcia) and Joseph Hernandez

The Mayor extended his appreciation prior to swearing them in as new firefighters and several family members who had graciously joined the newly sworn firefighters.

He especially was thankful for their families in allowing their sons and daughters to be utilized by the City.

4-2 Resolution Honoring Firefighter Patrick Michael for 31 Years of Service

Deputy City Clerk read the Resolution of Patrick P. Michael.

Mr. Michael extended his appreciation of his brother firefighters and official family members.

Fire Chief Urban read and presented the award to Mr. Michael who was very instrumental in the fire department. She recognized Chicago, Naperville Fire Department and also former Fire Chief Globerger from Glenview, IL.
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman January that the City Council approve the Resolution Honoring Patrick P. Michael.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, January 20, 2015; 8:11 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, January 26, 2015; 7:11 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, January 20, 2015; 8:11 p.m. and Special Council Meeting, January 26, 2015; 7:11 p.m. be passed as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

NONE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 ONE-YEAR CONTACT EXTENSION – MEAD ELECTRIC

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the one-year contract extension with Meade Electric.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 2015 SEWER TELEVISION PROGRAM

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the 2015 Sewer Televising Program; not to exceed $90,000.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None
MOTION CARRIED

7-3 PROPOSAL – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LEGAL SERVICES BY ANCEL GLINK LAW FIRM

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the proposal for Economic Development Legal Services by Ancel Glink Law firm.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor welcomed Attorney David Silverman.

7-4 PETITION/ORDINANCE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 2335 MEADOW LANE (CONTRACTOR YARD//SHOP /LANDSCAPING

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Special Use Permit at 2335 Meadow Lane for a Contractor Yard/Shop/Landscaping.

COMMENTS:
Senior City Planner Nimrod Warda recognized the potential owners who were also city residents.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor welcomed the new owners at 2335 Meadow Lane.

7-5 PETITION/ORDINANCE – ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AT 1000 SHERIDAN RD. (A.K.A., 303 10TH ST.)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman January to table item 7-5 until the next Committee Meeting, February 16, 2015.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Runnels questioned the tabling of item 7-5. Alderman Evans explained that the address of the previous meeting discussion was referenced to 303 10th St.

Mr. Warda clarified that there was a concern with the potential owners that possibly were related to a city employee. He stated there was no relation although would allow them to explain at the next Committee Meeting, February 16, 2015.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-6 MAYOR’S VETO MESSAGE – ORDINANCE SEEKING TO AMEND 2-5-1 OF THE CITY CODE

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield seeking to amend Ordinance 2-5-1 of the City Code to approve as presented.

The Mayor questioned the wording of the motion.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith cited pg. 152; 2006 Edition of the Illinois Municipal League that stated the correct wording was “motion was to reconsider;” the vote that was taken previous week. The following motion would reflect to sustain or override the Mayor’s veto.

Alderman Runnels amended motion, modified by Alderman Mayfield to reconsider the Ordinance 2-5-1 of the City Code.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

Alderman Mayfield moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to sustain the Mayor’s veto amending Ordinance 2-5-1 of the City Code.

The Mayor questioned clarification with the motion of sustaining the Mayor’s veto and questioned Attorney Smith with the quantity of votes to override.

Attorney Smith explained that an “aye” vote upheld the Mayor’s veto and elaborated further.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

Attorney Smith clarified there wasn’t sufficient votes to override the veto. It required the amount of five (5).

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to override the Mayor’s Veto amending Ordinance 2-5-1 of the City Code.
ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

7-7 MAYOR’S VETO MESSAGE OF CITY COUNCIL’S ACTIONS AUTHORIZING THREE KEYS TO NORTH CHICAGO POLICE SUB STATION FOR MEMBERS OF BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Attorney Smith clarified the wording of the motion was to read; reconsider the motion.

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to reconsider Mayor’s Veto Message of City Council’s actions authorizing three keys to North Chicago Police sub-station for members for Board of Fire & Police Commissioners.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Nays: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman January to override the Mayor’s Veto for City Council’s actions authorizing three keys to North Chicago Police sub-station for members of the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Absent and/or Not voting: Evans

MOTION FAILED

Alderman Fisher called “Point of Order” following his vote of “aye” and questioned clarification of the motion. Attorney Smith explained that it was to override the Mayor’s veto. Alderman Fisher recanted his vote to no.

Alderman Evans had strong concerns that the Mayor was aware of the open door at the police sub-station. The Mayor clarified that he ensured that the door was closed to the police sub-station. Alderman Evans stated there were several police officers and an elected official present with the door ajar. The Mayor inquired if Alderman Evans needed clarification with the vote. He, Alderman Evans debated the issue of the incident that resulted in a “not voting” status.

VIII. CITY BILLS
8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 02/02/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run, February 02, 2015 in the amount of 256,991.47 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Markham questioned clarification per ordinance with the authorization procedures for travel and training. The Mayor explained that the city staff reported expense to Human Resources and the elected officials; the Comptroller’s Office. Alderman Markham read the travel and training policy. Alderman Markham stressed the necessity of an updated policy. The Mayor ensured there would be an updated policy. Alderman Markham questioned the amount of $3,000; Community Bank. The Mayor explained it was due to wind damage that tore and broken hinges of the door. Alderman Markham questioned separate billing amounts/cycles for Hart School. The Mayor explained that upon submitting, the city would receive a reimbursement.

Economic Development Director Ron Lanz explained that it was contingent upon time of receiving the invoice.

Alderman Markham inquired of a plan provided for the vacant homes. Mr. Lanz stated it was based upon the situation. He elaborated that some properties were donated and its process.

Alderman Markham questioned the current board-up companies and the time frames. Mr. Lanz addressed the contact information that was provided to the Fire and Police Department. Currently, there were four (4) companies of possible use. Mr. Lanz explained that he was informed that JB Glass was most responsive in a expeditious manner.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when they would be disbursed. Account Manager Wendy Swopes acknowledged they were and would be provided the following day.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

HALLWAY SECURITY DOOR
Alderman Markham questioned the security door in the middle of the hallway and if it was budgeted. The Mayor acknowledged it was budgeted; there were situations of unauthorized individuals that were loitering in different areas of city hall and it was for security purposes. A study was performed by Internal Affairs and the security door was recommended. He stated was in the process of obtaining a telephone in the back room.

Alderman January questioned the right of the residents. The Mayor stated there were unauthorized areas in city hall.
DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION
The Mayor commended the Street and the water department upon their efforts accomplished with the snowstorm. The side streets, alleys and restructured vehicle routes were plowed.

Alderman January questioned who was responsible for Green Bay Rd. from Rt. 137 routes. The Mayor explained it was a state road that was managed by IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation).

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Betty Harris – North Chicago
She recognized all of the servant leaders and noted the agenda did not include approving a youth work program. She encouraged a proposal from the city council members if her plan wasn’t sufficient. Ms. Harris stressed the importance of assisting the youth economically as they were “our future.”

Daisy Brooks – North Chicago
She clarified that her program was “sanctioned by God,” and arranged that she and Mr. Brooks could provide the necessary funding for their cosmetology school.

Wadell Brooks
He stated the need of administrative/executive communication and emphasized city business support. Mr. Brooks announced the month of February as “Black History Month” that was recognized nationally. He noted the “black history makers.”

Chandler Walker – North Chicago
The contracted videographer should receive an increase in hourly wages. He encouraged extending some financial support to employ the youth with city economic development. He also acknowledged the street and water department management of recent blizzard however had concerns with the elevated snow banks.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Special Meeting, Monday, January 26, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Special meeting Monday, January 26, 2015 at 7:11 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1850 Lewis Avenue with Mayor Leon Rockingham, Jr. presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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

Present: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

III. REGULAR AGENDA

3-1 ORDINANCE AMENDING 2-5-1; APPOINTMENT OR DISCONTINUANCE OF OFFICERS

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to amend ordinance 2-5-1 to read the following: Section A; Appointments by Mayor: The Mayor and or by a Simple Majority of four Aldermen of the City Council shall make appointments to fill an appointive office; employees of all departments shall be selected by the Mayor and or a simple majority with four (4) Aldermen of City Council shall make these appointments. and B; Discontinuance of Office: By ordinance or resolution to take effect, the Simple Majority; which is four (4) Aldermen of the corporate authorities may discontinue any appointed office and dissolve the duties of that office on any other Municipal Officer. After discontinuance, no officer filling the office before its discontinuance shall have any claim against the Municipality for salary alleged to accrue after the date of discontinuance. This ordinance is effective immediately upon approval of the City Council.

The Mayor questioned clarification of the ordinance amendment. The Mayor inquired copies of the motion.

Alderman January called for a question on the motion.

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Allen

The Mayor stated directing it to Alderman January that she was “out of order.”

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

The Mayor clarified that he would veto item 3-1 with the ordinance amendment.
Alderman January emphasized wasn’t a procedure. The Mayor stated as an Executive Officer had the right to veto.

3-2 CONTRACT TERMINATION OF JAMES JACKSON (POLICE CHIEF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR)

Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to table items; 3-2, 3-3 and 3-4 until April 06, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels,
Nays: January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

3-3 REVOKE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CHIEF

TABLED

3-4 LIEUTENANT CURTIS BRAME AS INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE

TABLED

3-5 LOCKSMITH REQUEST TO CHANGE TUMBLER OF POLICE ANNEX INTERNAL DOOR – ISSUANCE OF THREE KEYS FOR EACH BOARD MEMBER

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve 2 keys issued to the President and Secretary to change the tumbler of Police Annex internal door for the board members.

He was requesting the need of two keys.

Alderman January questioned the motion and clarified that the lock was to be changed and explained the necessity of three keys for the internal door.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Markham to reflect 3 keys issued for the internal door.

The Mayor questioned if the keys were to be issued for the file cabinets.

Attorney Smith advised the City they had no authority keys to personnel files of the Police Department belonging to the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners of members. Per State Statute it was their prerogative.

Alderman Runnels questioned clarification as a City Councilmen. Alderman Allen explained that the Chairman and Fire Chief were unable to enter due to not possessing the keys to the door.

Alderman Mayfield clarified that the members were able to enter the previous occasion. Alderman Allen acknowledged it was a hassle attempting to obtain the keys.
Alderman Markham clarified that the motion was pertaining to the distinction between the Police Annex internal door and the motion did not reflect file cabinets to be included. Attorney Smith reiterated that the city council had no authority with the board member’s files. He emphasized that no council members had jurisdiction to keys of the file cabinets and police records.

Alderman January called a question to the motion.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Fisher questioned specific door and board member.

The Mayor stated that item 3-5 would also probably be vetoed.

IV. CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Betty Harris - North Chicago
Ms. Harris appreciated the City Council’s time and efforts. She was hopeful of the city support. It was for the purpose of “our children.” We need to assist each other and she segued to the Brooks Development Center that has contributed over 40 years of service and resources available to the public. They have also employed many city residents. We need to “accommodate our own in the community.”

Judy Wentz – 3349 Beacon St.
She stated the agenda was “mind-blowing” with removing Police Chief Jackson. He was an asset to the community. It was shame that individuals weren’t understanding and needed to refocus.

Charles January – Great Lakes, IL
He stated was a trustee and former North Chicago Alderman. He explained that the City Council only needed a simple majority to change the ordinances. The Mayor and Police Chief were ineffective. One of the Board of Police & Fire Commissioners refused to provide the key and resulted in more than $100,000 grant funding lost. There also was equipment not being utilized and excessive overtime in the police department.

Donna Kalinoski – North Chicago
She was very upset what has occurred. Continuing, stated that she was a long-time resident, a graduate of the Citizens Police Academy and Police Citizen Advisory Board. He arrived in the City at a very dire time. She has grown to respect Police Chief. She was informed of the internal problems within the police department. She clarified that her comments shouldn’t be interpreted as negative in general against any individual. She supported Police Deputy and Chief Jackson. She perceived that it was more political. The citizens are beginning to trust the police.

Wadell Brooks – North Chicago
Mr. Brooks announced that the month of February was Black History Month. He wasn’t
informed from the school or Foss Park District. John Hanson was the first Black president of the United States. He was very concerned with the excessive department head salaries. There was a communication problem with the citizens and residents also vice versa.

The Mayor recognized Alderman Bonny Mayfield in receiving the "most influential Vision Award." It was well deserved.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

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

**MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 20, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 8:11 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Absent: None

4-1 Presentation from Kenny Smith – Medical Mission to Nigeria

The Mayor announced the absence of Kenny Smith and the presentation would be rescheduled to February 02, 2015, Council Meeting.

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, January 05, 2015; 7:57 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, January 05, 2015; 7:57 p.m., be passed as presented.

The Mayor noted type-o to the agenda date of the minutes.

The City Clerk clarified that the minutes were correct; it was the agenda.

Alderman Allen amended motion, seconded by Alderman Evans to reflect corrections.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

6-1 Department Head Reports

6-1A Treasurer’s Report – December 2014
6-1B Water Department Report – December 2014
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Runnels to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

7-1 RESOLUTION RELEASING EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Alderman Markham moved, seconded by Alderman January to approve the Resolution Releasing the Executive Session Minutes with corrections of Monday, December 02, 2013; pg. 2 to reflect wording authentic in place of validity.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-2 DAISY’S RESOURCE & DEVELOPMENT CENTER DONATION - $40,500

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to amend the donation amount from $40,500 to $25,000 for Daisy’s Resource & Development Center.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Evans questioned if the donation was for public purposes; Attorney Smith explained that the State Statute required any expenditures for public funds were for public purpose. His opinion was that the donation was not for public purpose.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Evans, Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman January moved, seconded by Alderman Markham to approve the donation of $25,000 to Daisy’s Resource & Development Center donation.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Allen, Markham, January
Nays: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Runnels
Absent: None

MOTION FAILED

7-3 ORDINANCE AMENDING LIQUOR CONTROL – INCREASE IN BEER & WINE LIQUOR LICENSE (1)
Alderman Runnels moved, to approve the Ordinance Amending Liquor Control for increase of a Beer & Wine Liquor License (1).

MOTION DIED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 01/20/15

MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to pay the bills of Council Run 01/20/15 in the amount of $138,711.13 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman Evans questioned pg.7; Premier Veterinary Group with amount of $4,835.88. Police Chief Jackson explained it pertained veterinary bill of the city’s K-9; Yachoo who was in need of surgery.

Alderman Markham questioned pg.8; JB Glass & Board up Service in amount of $5,255.00. The former year’s bill was over the amount of $30,000. He noted and emphasized the need of bidding according to city ordinance. The Mayor explained that JB Glass Company was the primary vendor; other vendors were used if JB Glass was unavailable.

Alderman Markham questioned a city effort in obtaining funding from the School Board for Hart School board-up. The Mayor stated was a joint venture and funds were not requested.

Alderman Evans commented there were many abandoned homes and suggested a method of charging the owners. Attorney Smith explained liens were filed and recorded against the abandoned homes. Majority of the properties were abandoned and their owners were unable to be contacted. Alderman Evans questioned the process. Attorney Smith stated the process was on a “case by case” basis.

Alderman Markham questioned if the City could alternate the board-up companies comparative to the towing. The Mayor understood that the other companies had a longer response time due to further distance. Alderman Markham questioned pg. 8; BF Construction Code. Economic Development Director Ron Lanz explained that it was pertaining to the charges from the company that was responsible for commercial construction review and improvements for commercial industrial city projects. Previously, there wasn’t a certified commercial inspector on staff that was recently promoted. Mr. Lanz clarified that the cost was billed to the applicant.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available. Comptroller Gloria Gibson acknowledged they were and the checks would be dispersed the following day.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED
IX. MISCELLANEOUS

ANNOUNCEMENT
Comptroller Gloria Gibson announced that she would be attending an off-site meeting regarding the 2014; 2005A&B Bonds the following day. The Mayor recognized Ms. Gibson upon her efforts in preparing the sale of the bonds.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY
Alderman Mayfield announced open enrollment, February 12, 2015 for the Citizen Police Academy and encouraged citizens to join. There would be access of applying on the website. It was a 10-11 week course and the Mayor encouraged resident participation of both the Police and Fire Academy training.

KEYS REQUEST
Alderman Allen requested keys to be issued for the Fire & Police Commissioner members for the door. They were experiencing problems with obtaining the key access. The Mayor explained it was an issue of the Board and Fire Police Commissioner. The Secretary needed to collaborate with the President and member with the needed access or concerns ensuring the board was functioning properly.

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Markham.

Alderman January called a question.

Attorney Smith explained it was a violation of the Open Meetings Act and the Chairman could rule the motion out of order.

The Mayor strongly indicated that the item wasn’t placed on the agenda. The Aldermen could place it at the next meeting. It would only be applicable to catastrophic emergency that it wasn’t considered.

MOTION REQUEST
Alderman Evans recognized the needed change and the City’s readiness. He requested a motion to remove Police Chief Jackson effective immediately, retiring Deputy Police Chief, appoint Lieutenant Brame as temporary Police Chief until Mayor has appointed a suitable replacement.

Alderman January called a question

SPECIAL EMERGENCY AGENDA
Alderman January requested a Special Council Agenda.

LASAGNA STOP
The Mayor acknowledged the new business; Lasagna Stop adjacent to the North Chicago Post Office. He encouraged participation and supporting the city businesses.

LAKE COUNTY MUNICIPAL LEAGUE
The Mayor announced the Lake County Municipal League Legislative breakfast; Saturday, February 7, 2015; 8:15 a.m., held at the Civic Center, Round Lake Beach. Any interest should be directed to his secretary.
Alderman Markham requested that the information was e-mailed. The Mayor acknowledged he would arrange that it was sent to the City Council.

**X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Wadell Brooks Sr. – North Chicago
He was disappointed that he wasn’t supported. He was to schedule an interview on his TV show with the new owner of “Lasagna Stop” with his offered services. He provided additional interviews concerning job services.

Charles January
He was strongly concerned with city salaries. He disagreed with outsourcing of the I.T. Department. He directed the aldermen with their power of authority with council meetings.

Ted Wilder
He explained that during his tenure as Fire Chief, the City administered strength and agility for potential firefighter paramedics. Continuing, disagreed with the total cost of $185 without guarantee of a position.

Daisy Brooks
She was very upset with the council’s decision with no monetary support of their organization.

Cornell Ford
He requested financial support of the community with Lake County movie production.

Betty Harris
She was disturbed by the lack of financial city support for the Brooks’ organization.

Ralph Peterson
He was very disappointed with the lack of communication and involvement of the community interest at the council meetings. He announced “United for Peace & Justice Rally,” held at Foss Park Community Center. He encouraged the needed participation.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk
Regular Meeting, Monday, January 05, 2015

MINUTES

The City Council of North Chicago met in a Regular meeting Monday, January 05, 2015 at 7:57 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: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels
Absent: January

V. MINUTES

5-1 The Regular Council Meeting, December 15, 2014; 7:56 p.m. was modified and presented in typewritten form by the City Clerk, Lori L. Collins.

MOTION:
Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Evans that Regular Council Meeting, December 15, 2014; 7:56 p.m., be passed as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

Alderman January was absent.

VI. OMNIBUS VOTE AGENDA

NONE

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

Alderman January returned at 7:58 p.m.

7-1 ARDEN SHORES WATER SERVICE – LAKE BLUFF WATER RATE AGREEMENT

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to table item 7-1 until January 20, 2015.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
MOTION CARRIED

7-2 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING LOCAL VIDEO GAMING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Alderman Allen moved, seconded by Alderman Fisher to approve the Ordinance Establishing Local Video Gaming License Requirements.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Attorney Smith explained the ordinance was establishing tax on each video gaming machine that would generate city revenue. City of Waukegan and other municipalities had adopted the ordinance.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Runnels
Nays: Markham, January
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-3 2014 FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Mayfield to approve the 2014 Fiscal Year Financial Statements.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

7-4 ORDINANCE AMENDING #30; 2014 A&B BOND ORDINANCE

Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to approve the Ordinance Amending #30; 2014 A& B Bond Ordinance.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

VIII. CITY BILLS

8-1 REGULAR CITY BILLS – 01/05/15
MOTION:
Alderman Runnels moved, seconded by Alderman Allen to pay the bills of Council Run, January 05, 2015 in the amount of 398,401.09 when funds become available.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:
Alderman January questioned the bill for Fat Cat Rescue. Comptroller Gloria Gibson explained there wasn’t an agreement or check requisition received.

Attorney Smith stated would provide the contract the following day. She requested that it was expedited.

Alderman January questioned if funds were available and when they would be disbursed. Ms. Gibson acknowledged there were and would be provided the following day.

ROLL CALL:
Ayes: Fisher, Mayfield, Evans, Allen, Markham, Runnels, January
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

DONATION
Alderman Markham questioned the removal of the agenda item for Daisy’s donation. The Mayor explained he was unaware.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Alderman Mayfield recognized the Mayor’s upcoming birthday.

ANNOUNCEMENT
The Mayor announced that the next Council Meeting would be held January 20, 2015 in honor of the recognized holiday, January 19, 2015; Martin Luther King Holiday.

Alderman Runnels respectfully requested that the agenda for the donation was placed on an alternative committee meeting. Alderman Allen stated it would be arranged to be scheduled on the next Economic Development Committee Meeting.

X. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Wadell Brooks Sr. – North Chicago
He announced his upcoming birthday at the next Council Meeting, January 20, 2015. The Mayor wished him many more. He clarified that Daisy’s Resource & Development donation amount was $40,500.

Ralph Peterson Jr. – Waukegan, IL
He was informed it was rumored that Lieutenant Nash was pressured to resign. He was one of the “best officers on the force.” Mr. Peterson was disappointed due to other officers that had received complaints and there was no recourse. He strongly urged the Aldermen to research the issue.
Alderman Evans stated was unaware what was indicated and would review the matter.

Betty Harris – North Chicago, IL
She acknowledged God; was gracious for the opportunity, enthusiastic with the needed encouragement of jobs and supporting the local contractors. She highly acknowledged the Daisy’s Resource Center for their community support.

David Hood
He encouraged assisting with the Brooks’ donation amount. Recognizing the Mayor’s upcoming birthday, he noted the presentation that would generate occupation for the youth.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE

The Council Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Lori L. Collins
City Clerk