



**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BURBANK CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 27, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of September 27, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Dan M. Foy at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at 6530 West 79th Street Burbank, Il.

ROLL CALL

A roll call by Clerk Szymczak indicated the following members present: Ald. Barb Gagle, Ald. Robert Contreras, Ald. Sheri Gustafson, Ald. Claude Haerr, Ald. John Pacella, Ald. Mitchell Piznarski, Ald. Thomas Phillips, Mayor Dan Foy, Clerk Barry J. Szymczak and Treasurer Dave Viverito. Also in attendance: City Attorney Vince Cainkar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Foy asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

JOURNAL

Mayor Foy asked for a motion to approve the minutes of September 13, 2023. The motion was made by Alderman Contreras and seconded by Alderman Pacella with unanimous approval by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

CURRENT BILLS

Mayor Foy then asked for a motion to approve the current list of bills. The motion was made by Alderman Contreras and seconded by Alderwoman Gustafson. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Mayor Foy filed the following report: A sincere "thank you" to The Guidance Center 5600 W. 80th St. for providing lunch to City Hall employees and all First Responders of the City for their hard work. Mayor Foy met with perspective new owners of the Barraco's Pizza location on 87th St. They are planning to open a pizza restaurant using Barraco's products. The Mayor also reminded the gallery of the Recycle Day on Saturday Oct. 7th from 9 AM to 11 AM at the Public Works Facility. Prescription drugs, paper, electronics and small amounts of trees can be dropped off.

CLERK'S REPORT

No report was filed by the City Clerk for this meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Viverito reported that a meeting with Moody's on Sept. 15th resulted in the City's bond rating being improved from A-3 to A-2 which is excellent news in the event of borrowing money.

ORDINANCES / PETITIONS / RESOLUTIONS

Alderman Pacella made a motion seconded by Alderwoman Gagle to ask the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for Department of Zoning, Planning and Development Petition #23-08-1 Hasan Abutuleb 4949 W. 86th St. requesting a variation to install a 6' privacy fence on front yard side set back which was approved by Zoning. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**ORDINANCES /
PETITIONS /
RESOLUTIONS /
(CONT'D.)**

Alderman Haerr made a motion seconded by Alderman Piznarski to adopt Ordinance #17-9-23 levying taxes for general and corporate purposes for tax year 2023 for the City of Burbank, Cook County, Illinois. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

No reports were filed for this meeting.

**POLICE DEPT.
REPORT**

Chief Garcia had no report to file for this meeting.

**FIRE DEPT.
REPORT**

Chief Gilgenberg had no report to file for this meeting.

**BUILDING
AND
ZONING**

Comm. Hession reported 25 contractor licenses, along with 116 building permits, which include 3 new constructions and a new garage issued this month.

**PUBLIC
WORKS
REPORT**

Dir. Burris reported various new signs are on order for the City. He also stated that pending purchase approval for the new tree chipper from City Council, the old one will remain in use for as long as it holds out.

**CITY
ENGINEER
REPORT**

City Engineer Tim Geary reported 1 more paving project (Mobile Ave) still remains and that sod installation has been pushed back approx. 1 week due to weather conditions.

**OLD
BUSINESS**

There was no old business brought before City Council.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

Alderman Gustafson made a motion seconded by Alderman Haerr to approve the purchase of a Morbark Model 2131 Dual Axle Chipper for the Dept. of Public Works for a cost not to exceed \$116,700.00. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

Alderman Haerr made a motion seconded by Alderman Gagle to approve a settlement agreement between Steven Riggs ("Plaintiff") and the City of Burbank, Brian Staaz and Brian Gamboa (collectively "Defendants") for the sole consideration of payment of \$37,500.00 arising out of the September 9, 2019 incident which claims are the subject matter of the Plaintiff's lawsuit. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

Alderman Pacella made a motion seconded by Alderman Gagle to approve the hiring of Fire Dept. Candidate Daniel Dugo as Firefighter/Paramedic for the Burbank Fire Dept. pending paramedic system entry results. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips. The candidate was sworn in by Fire-Police Commission member Scott Batzel. Mayor Foy read a brief biography.

**CITIZEN'S
REPORT**

The Chair recognized a concerned citizen from 78th & Linder who had issues with speeding problems up and down 79th Street. Mayor Foy and Chief Garcia assured him that steps are being taken to address the situation, which include more aggressive patrols and obtaining grant money for more equipment to be utilized specifically for this issue.

**ADMINIS-
TRATION**

Mayor Foy introduced representatives from the 79th Street McDonald's who announced that the location would be participating in their sale program for Police, Fire and in addition, St. Laurence Cheerleaders. Purchases of Blue Raspberry frozen Fanta in the name of P.D., fruit juicy red frozen Hawaiian Punch, in the name of the F.D. and frozen Coca-Cola, in the name of St. Laurence Cheerleaders during the month of October will determine the winner of \$1,000.00, \$500.00 for 2nd place and \$300.00 for 3rd place.

**ADMINIS-
TRATION**

The Mayor requested that any Reavis High School students in attendance who need their government class forms validated could do so at the adjournment of the Council meeting.

There being no further business, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Alderwoman Gustafson and seconded by Alderman Contreras with unanimous approval and so declared by the Chair. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Barry J. Szymczak, City Clerk

APPROVED