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| | The Council of the City of Waukegan met in regular session on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 7:00P.M. In the City Council Chambers, City Hall 100 North Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue. Mayor Sabonjian, City Clerk, Wayne Motley, and Attorney, Newton Finn was present. |
| | <u>ROLL CALL:</u> Present: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moio, Beadling and Newsome Absent: None |
| | <u>INVOCATION:</u> Moment of silence. |
| Mayor Sabonjian | <u>MAYOR COMMENTS:</u> 1.The Mayor announced several upcoming events in our community including the Artwauk on January 21, 2012 and the JROTC Dinner, January 21 at the Brookside Campus. . |
| Keith Turner 1320 N. Jackson St. | <u>AUDIENCE TIME:</u> 2. He mentioned that the police are doing a great job serving our community even though they are short of staff. He indicated that he would like to make a donation to the Waukegan Police Association to show his appreciation and support for our police officers. |
| Jamie O'Meara 1318 Chestnut St. | 3. She is the current President of Waukegan Main Street. She advised the aldermen of the events and fundraisers which will be held to support their organization including the Artwauk, the production of Swan Lake at the Genesee Theatre, upcoming performances at the Clock Wise Theatre and their main fundraising event, Mardi Gras Party which will be held on February 4th at the Puerto Rican Society. |
| Chris Blanks 409 Oak Street | 4. He advised the aldermen that he became suspicious when he noticed two white guys driving past his house at a slow rate of speed on the morning of January 6 th . He indicated that after the vehicle passed his home he got into his vehicle and followed the vehicle. He noticed the vehicle pull into the parking garage of the Lake County Court House. He then exited his vehicle and confronted the occupants of the vehicle, one of which he knew to be the former Chief of Police for the City of Waukegan. It was Mr. Blanks' opinion that he was being harassed by the former police chief. Mr. Blanks requested that the City of Waukegan keep the former Waukegan employee away from him. |
| John Burns | 5. He is a member of the Labor Union #142 he advised the aldermen that his local has a number of men who are available to work on Waukegan projects. |
| APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2012 APPROVED | <u>MINUTES:</u> 6. Motion by Alderman TenPas, seconded by Alderman Cunningham to approve January 3, 2012 Council Regular Meeting. MOTION PASSED |
| ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR THE WAUKEGAN PUBLIC LIBRARY 12-R-5 APPROVED | <u>RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:</u> 7. Motion by Alderman Newsome, seconded by Alderman Moio to adopt as presented a Resolution for the Waukegan Public Library. MOTION PASSED |
| BILLS DATED JANUARY 12, 2012 APPROVED | <u>NEW BUSINESS / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS BY CORPORATION COUNSEL:</u> 8. Motion by Alderman Newsome, seconded by Alderman May to approve Payroll dated January 12, 2012 in the amount of \$1,296,402.88. ROLL CALL: AYES: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moio, Beadling, and Newsome NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED |
| APPROVE BILLS DATED | 9. Motion by Alderman Newsome, seconded by Alderman May to approve Bills |

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| <p>JANUARY 17, 2012 APPROVED</p> | <p>dated January 17, 2012 in the amount of \$4,477,638.86.. ROLL CALL: AYES: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moisiso, Beadling, and Newsome NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED</p> |
| <p>ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE THE TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED APPOINT JACQUELINE HERRERA-GIRON TO THE WAUKEGAN PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD APPROVED</p> | <p>10. Motion by Alderman Valko, seconded by Alderman Beadling to accept and place on file the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2011. MOTION PASSED <u>NEW BUSINESS cont.:</u> 11. Motion by Alderman May, seconded by Alderman Rivera to appointment of Jacqueline Herrera-Giron to the Waukegan Public Library Board. Alderman Rivera indicated that he had concerns with the lack of attendance by a number of members who sit on several of the boards. He mentioned that often it is difficult for the boards to conduct business due to the lack of the necessary number of members to conduct the meeting. Alderman Cunningham indicated that the aldermen use to be aware of the mayor's selection to these boards prior to their appointment. It is his opinion that each member who wants to serve on a board should be present at the city council meeting for the aldermen to ask them question should they so choose to do so prior to their appointment. He also indicated that he would like to see the aldermen more involved in the selection process of the board candidates. ROLL CALL: AYES: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moisiso, Beadling, and Newsome NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED</p> |
| <p>APPROVE RAFFLE FOR THE WAUKEGAN MAIN STREET APPROVED</p> | <p><u>RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:</u> 12. Motion by Alderman Rivera, seconded by Alderman TenPas to approve Raffle for Waukegan Main Street for their fundraising event February 4, 2012. MOTION PASSED</p> |
| <p>ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE THE CITY OF WAUKEGAN SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE WITH REGARDS TO THE SUBDIVISION 12-O-6 APPROVED</p> | <p><u>ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:</u> 13. Motion by Alderman Newsome, seconded by Alderman Moisiso to adopt as presented an Ordinance to waive the City of Waukegan's Subdivision Ordinance with regards to the subdivision of the property commonly referred to as 1721 N. McAree Rd., Waukegan, Illinois 60085. ROLL CALL: AYES: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moisiso, Beadling, and Newsome NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED</p> |
| <p>Alderman TenPas</p> | <p><u>ALDERMEN'S TIME:</u> 14. He advised the aldermen that it was his opinion that Chris Blanks comes to the city council meetings simply to get in his television time. He indicated that if he has a problem with one of our former employees he should discuss the issue with his current employer which is the Lake County State's Attorney's Office.</p> |
| <p>Alderman May</p> | <p><u>ALDERMEN'S TIME cont.:</u> 15. She asked the public to support our community by purchasing tickets for Waukegan Main Street Events.</p> |
| <p>Alderman Valko</p> | <p>16. He asked the community to support the Waukegan High School JROTC by making donations to their fundraising events and by attending their dinner on January 21, 2012 at the Waukegan High School Brookside Campus.</p> |
| <p>Alderman Rivera</p> | <p>17. He advised the aldermen that there will be a Casino Committee Meeting on January 30th he indicated that Senator Link will be invited to attend. He mentioned that it is his opinion that the city needs to know where the state is with the planning</p> |

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| | for the casino. He advised the aldermen that some business licenses have gone up 300% and that the city failed to notify our business of the license increase prior to going into effect. It is his opinion that the city should have waited until the next quarter to increase the rates. He mentioned that he is extremely proud of the success of the Puerto Rican Society and that they recently installed a new Board of Directors. |
| Alderman Cunningham | 18. He expressed his concern with the new business licenses and the fact that if you do not purchase it by a certain date the fee doubles. He then asked Joan Westphal if the city was working with these business license owners. She responded that the city was working with them. He then indicated that all questions regarding business licenses should be directed to the finance department. He then spoke of the incident which Chris Blanks discussed before the city council. It is his opinion that the former police chief did not drive past blanks house to intimidate him. He said, "I know the former chief and that is not his character". He then mentioned the fact that our local people are not being hired on local construction sites he said, "This is crazy, Waukegan's workers are not being utilized to help build our community". He indicated that none of the employees from these construction companies live here nor do the spend their money in our community. |
| Alderman Koncan | 19. He advised the aldermen of the Casino Meeting January 30 th . He indicated that he had a meeting with several members of a Neighborhood Watch group and they advised him that Waukegan does not need the casino, we need more police officer. He feels that the Casino will help us hire more police officers. He asked the aldermen to call Senator I Link and Representative Mayfield and shows them your support for the casino. With the recent murder of one of our local residents to hijack his vehicle he asked our residents not to start their car before you leaving for work and to get the license plate number of any suspicious vehicle. |
| Alderman Moisio | 20. He advised the aldermen that the former police chief does not work for our police department anymore and that we can do nothing about him driving past Blanks home. |
| Alderman Beadling | 21. He thanked Lt. Fitzgerald and Sgt. Michaels for their efforts for arresting the offender in several vandalism events in our community. |
| Alderman Newsome | 22. She asked the residents to watch out for children as they drive through our community She also indicated that some of her residents are afraid to go out of their homes due to the recent events in our community. |
| EXECUTIVE SESSION APPROVED | 23. Motion by Alderman Beadling, seconded by Alderman Newsome to go into Executive Session to discuss matters of Litigation. TIME: 7:55 p.m. ROLL CALL: AYES: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moisio, Beadling, and Newsome NAYS: None ABSENT: None MOTION PASSED |
| RECONVENED | 24. City Council reconvened. TIME: 8:51 P.M. ROLL CALL: AYES: Aldermen TenPas, May, Valko, Rivera, Cunningham, Koncan, Moisio, Beadling, and Newsome ABSENT: None |
| ADJOURNMENT APPROVED | 25. Motion by Alderman Koncan, seconded by Alderman Valko to adjourn. TIME: 8:52 P.M. MOTION CARRIED |