# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HARVEY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 09, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Christopher J. Clark called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Clark asked City Clerk Rosa Arambula to call the roll of Council members: Present were Alderwoman Shirley Drewenski, Aldermen Marshaun Tolbert, Quinton Crudup, Tracy Key, and Mayor Christopher L. Clark.

Alderman Tyrone Rogers present at 7:11 p.m. Alderman Dominique Randle El present at 7:12 p.m.

Pastor Lewis gave the invocation and Mayor Clark led the pledge of Allegiance.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Clark open the floor for public comment 3 minutes.

#1 Andrea Paxton commented on planning and development. "To the citizens and business community it is very important that we all participate in our U.S. Census, that's how we get federal funding state wide. In the past the City of Harvey has lost some 30 million dollars."

#2 Lynn Hudson -Brown commented on businesses that under paid the State. "There is a simple amendment that you can do on line to correct that. But for our business to be shut down during the process is mind boggling. I hear your going to put a list out, I'm here to say first hand that my name will be on that list. If you put our name out there make sure you put the liquor stores and gas stations that did not have to submit all the inclusive information that we had to submit on the application that we had to submit. If it's going to be inclusive make sure everyone has to be. If we haven't paid our fair share it's a simple correction we'll have to pay our fair share."

#3 John Hamilton owner Club O commented on the businesses being shut down. "If the fair share is not being paid maybe we can open up and still generate money and pay the fair share. I've been closed for over a month now. I've still donated turkeys to the residents, I've still donated coats. I'm asking, if there is a way you can meet we can sit down and meet with Aldermen, Mayor the Club owners and try get these business open."

#4 Mr. Irvin commented on the loud music. "I'm asking the Council look at the noise Ordinance, we need to change that law, it's causing a problem. I'm asking the Aldermen to draft an ordinance and to strengthen our noise ordinance and make it where people can live here and have peace and the quality of life. We need to change that law and do something about that. He commended the Mayor on lowering the city sticker price."

Mayor Clark "Thank you so much Ms. Paxton for bringing up the census. The census is a very important issue, especially for the City of Harvey. Each person each resident that does not report to the census, we stand to lose \$1,400 per person that means every baby, every grandparent every person that lives in the City of Harvey. We must participate in the U.S. Census. It is so important to all of us that we do."

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Clark, I need a motion for the approval of minutes dated November 25, 2019.

Alderman Rogers "Mayor in regards to the November 25<sup>th</sup> Minutes on page 4 at the bottom, Ordinance #3387, the vote reads Voting: Aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Tolbert, Crudup and Randle El and Key and there is no vote for Alderman Rogers and I'm sure I voted, and I wanted to make that correction."

Deputy Clerk Anderson "Alderman that was an oversight. That will be corrected."

Alderwoman Drewenski "I would also like the minutes to reflect on the November 25 that Alderman Tolbert left the meeting before we went into executive session. There was no mention on that."

Alderman Tolbert "And also made a motion before Alderman Rogers to pay bills, and it died for a lack of a second."

Clerk Arambula "We will make those corrections."

Alderman Randle El "I just want you to make sure you marked me late to this meeting, I hoped you have marked me present."

Alderwoman Drewenski, I make a motion to accept the minutes dated November 25, 2019 with the said corrections. The motion was second by Alderman Key.

Voting aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Aldermen Key, Crudup, Randle –El, Rogers and Tolbert.

MOTION CARRIED

Alderman Tolbert I make the motion to send the Bills for Payment dated December 9<sup>th</sup>. 2019 to the Finance Committee. The motion was second by Alderman Randle -El.

Alderwoman Drewenski "I thought that this was already established, that we were to have the bills go to the Finance Committee before our regular meeting."

Mayor Clark "Is it possible that set up a standard Finance Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m. before our regular Council meeting?"

Deputy Clerk Anderson "On page 2 of the regular meeting it does say that the Bills list were sent to Committee."

Voting aye were Alderman Randel- El, Key, Crudup, Alderwoman Drewenski, Rogers and Tolbert.

MOTION CARRIED Send to Committee

Alderwoman Drewenski "We didn't pay the October 25<sup>th</sup>, and our next meeting isn't until December 23? I would encourage us having a special meeting so we can get these bills paid."

Mayor Clark "I'm sure that the Finance Chair will work to have meeting before the regular meeting.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARVEY.

Ordinance # 3390 – An ordinance Levying taxes in the City of Harvey Cook County Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2019 and ending April 30, 2020.

Alderwoman Drewenski made a motion that we to approve Ordinance #3390. The motion was second by Alderman Rogers.

Voting aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Aldermen Key, Crudup, Randle-El and Rogers.

Alderman Tolbert abstained.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Mayor Clark the next item on the agenda is item d - Discussion and action for appointments of certain officers, commission and /or boards; I will strike that. Let us move on the old business.

3. Alderman Rogers "I have a correction on the minutes under Resolution # 2904 the vote reads: Voting Aye: were Aldermen Randle El, Key, Alderwoman Drewenski, Crudup and Rogers. Voting Nay were Aldermen Key, and Tolbert. I was wondering how Alderman Key got two votes?

Deputy Clerk Anderson "Alderman Rogers, Alderman Key did not vote twice. That is an error and I apologize. I will make the correction. Aldermen, if you see something in the minutes call our office, help us so we can help you."

Alderman Randle El made the motion to approve the minutes dated Monday -October 14, 2019. The motion was second by Alderman Key.

Voting aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Aldermen Tolbert, Crudup, Key, Randle El and Rogers.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Mayor Clark called for motion to go into Executive session.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:41 P.M. – PENDING LITIGATIONS**

Alderman Randle El made the motion that Council convene to Execution session for pending litigations. The motion was second by Alderman Rogers.

Voting Aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Aldermen Key, Crudup, Randle El, Rogers and Tolbert.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## **RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:43 P.M**

Alderman Rogers made the motion to reconvene from executive session. The motion was second by Alderman Crudup.

Voting Aye were Aldermen Key, Crudup, Randle El, Alderwoman Drewenski, Rogers and Tolbert.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Alderman Rogers made the motion to accept recommendations by Corporation Counsel as discussed in executive session. The motion was second by Alderman Key.

Voting aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Aldermen Tolbert, Key, Rogers, and Crudup. Voting Nay was Alderman Randle El.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## ADJOURNMENT: 7:50 P.M.

Alderman Randle El made the motion to adjourn. The motion was second by Alderman Tolbert.

Voting aye were Alderwoman Drewenski, Aldermen Rogers, Crudup, Tolbert, Randle El and Key.

**MOTION CARRIED**