MINUTES OF REGULAR HARVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY – OCTOBER 23, 2023 – 7:00 P.M

Mayor Christopher J. Clark called the City of Harvey Regular Council Meeting to order Monday – October 23, 2023, at 7:14 p.m.

Mayor Clark asked City Clerk Rosa M. Arambula to call the roll of Council members.

Present: Alderwoman Colby Chapman, Alderwoman Telanee Smith, Alderman Tracy Key,

Alderman Tyrone Rogers, and Mayor Christopher J. Clark.

Absent: Alderwoman Shirley Drewenski, Alderman Randle-El.

Alderman Rogers gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes Dated: September 25, 2023.

Alderwoman Smith made the motion to approve the Minutes.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Rogers.

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Key, Rogers.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None

Absent: Alderwoman Drewenski, Alderman Randel-El

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Bills for Payment: September 4, 2023, September 20, 2023, and October 23, 2023.

Alderman Rogers stated that they will have a Finance meeting on November 1, 2023, to look at these bills therefore they would not vote on it until next meeting.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARVEY

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mayor Clark stated that he was striking B. 1, 2, 4, and 6 from the Agenda.

Alderwoman Chapman asked Mayor Clark if they could also hold off on B. 3 because they needed more time to look at this Resolution. Mayor Clark stated that they could strike that one from the agenda also.

- B 1, An ordinance authorizing the sale of surplus personal owned property by the City of Harvey.
- B 2, An ordinance establishing A moratorium on the issuance of any permits for automobile-oriented uses operators.
- B 4, A resolution authorizing an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Harvey and the metropolitan water reclamation district of greater Chicago for condition assessment and rehabilitation of sanitary sewers in Harvey, Illinois.
- B 6, A resolution authorizing an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Harvey and Cook County for the 2023 Invest in Cook project.
- B. 3 A resolution authorizing an intergovernmental agreement participation in the mutual aid box alarm system (MABAS MASTER AGREEMENT 2022)

Ordinance # 3478 - An Ordinance Amending the City Code to Identify Home Rule Conflicts with Certain State Law Regarding Paid Leave for All Workers.

Alderwoman Smith made the motion to approve the Ordinance.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Rogers.

Voting Aye: Aldermen Key, Rogers, Alderwomen Chapman, Smith.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None

Absent: Alderwoman Drewenski, Alderman Randel-El

MOTION CARRIED

Executive Session-Litigation

Time into Executive Session: 7:21 p.m.

Alderman Rogers made the motion to go into Executive Session.

The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Smith.

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Key, Rogers.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None

Absent: Alderwomen Drewenski, Alderman Randel-El

MOTION CARRIED

Back Into Public Session:

Time: 7:52 p.m.

Alderman Rogers made the motion to go back into Public Session. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Smith.

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Key, Rogers.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None

Absent: Alderwoman Drewenski, Alderman Randel-El

MOTION CARRIED

Alderpersons Announcements

2nd Ward Alderwoman Chapman acknowledges everyone for breast cancer and domestic violence. She mentioned that the 2nd Ward and 4th Ward had a joint meeting on October 21st and that Judge Brooks and State Representative Will Davis were in attendance. Alderwoman Chapman continued to say that currently there was a Ward clean up in the 2nd and 4th Ward. She mentioned the trunk or treat that Whittier school was having on Friday. She also said that the Harvey police substation in the 2nd Ward was having a trunk or treat on Halloween from 4-6 p.m.

3rd Ward Alderwoman Smith asked her 3rd Ward residents to be mindful of their area to keep it clean so that the manholes would stay clean. She gave her condolences to the Reese family for Alton Reese who was a retired police officer and lived in the 3rd Ward. She mentioned that the Holidays were coming and to embrace our family members.

4th Ward Alderman Key thanks those residents who came to the meeting. He thanked the Mayor for coming to the 4th and 2nd Ward meeting which they decided to host together. He mentioned the cleanup that they were going to have in the 4th Ward and that hopefully the residents would take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to get rid of things not needed in the house before the winter. Alderman Key stated it was cancer awareness month and hopefully everyone would show their support for this cause.

6th Ward Alderman Rogers commended the Harvey Police Department. He mentioned the problem they had in the 6th Ward with gun violence and an Airbnb that was not authorized to be in Harvey and now the problem is taken care of, and the residents are ecstatic. He also commended the street department for taking care of an abandoned home that was giving the 6th Ward residents many problems. Alderman Rogers gave condolences to the family of Ms. Golston. He mentioned Ms. Golston who would call him every week to speak with him and would have an extensive conversation with him.

Public Comment

- 1. Patricia Lewis -Ms. Lewis wanted to know why everyone's water bill on her block had increased. Mayor Clark said he would talk to her after the meeting.
- 2. Lisa Coleman Ms. Coleman asked if the field behind her house could be cut and the alley to be plowed during the winter so that she could get to work.
- 3. Ryan Sinwelski Mr. Sinwelski asked if there could be a police blotter for the residents so that they could be informed of what is happening in Harvey. He also mentioned Adrian Miller who is an investor. Mr. Miller said that investing on the buildings on Broadway would be too costly but that he was interested in the buildings along the Metra station to revitalize the area.

Mayor Clark asked Superintendent, Rick Seput, to speak about the Harvey cleanup. Mayor Clark said he was glad that they were having Fall and Spring cleanup in Harvey for the residents.

He mentioned that he was happy to see that the alderman and all departments were working as a team.

Mayor Clark stated that short term rentals are considered commercial entities and that commercial entities are not allowed in residential areas.

He gave his condolences on behalf of the City to the Reese and Golston families. He also gave his condolences to the family of Mr. Parish, who was the grandfather of our video person, Keimanie Parish-Rush. The Mayor mentioned that Mr. Parish was a stellar man.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:11 p.m.

Alderman Rogers made the motion to adjourn meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Smith.

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Key, Rogers.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None

Absent: Alderwoman Drewenski, Alderman Randel-El

MOTION CARRIED