MINUTES OF REGULAR HARVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY – NOVEMBER 27, 2023 – 7:00 P.M

Mayor Christopher J. Clark called the City of Harvey Regular Council Meeting to order Monday – November 27, 2023, at 7:04 p.m.

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

Present: Alderwoman Shirley Drewenski, Alderwoman Colby Chapman, Alderwoman Telanee

Smith, Alderman Tracy Key, Alderman Tyrone Rogers, and Mayor Christopher J. Clark.

Absent: Alderman Randle-El.

Alderman Randle-El came into the meeting at 7:05p.m.

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

Approval of Minutes Dated: November 13, 2023.

Alderwoman Chapman asked for the November 13, 2023, minutes to be corrected for her comment to be on record.

Mayor asks that for future reference, changes made to the minutes should be put in writing.

Alderman Rogers made the motion to approve the Minutes.

The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Smith

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Drewenski, Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Key, Randel-El, Rogers.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Minutes passed with the understanding that they would be corrected.

Approval of Bills for Payment: November 13, 2023.

Alderman Rogers made the motion to approve the Bills. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Smith

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Drewenski, Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Randel-El, Rogers.

Voting Nay: Alderman Key

Abstain: None Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Bills for Payment: November 27, 2023.

Alderman Rogers made the motion to approve the Bills. The motion was seconded by Alderman Randle-El.

Voting Aye: Alderman Randel-El, Alderwomen Drewenski, Chapman, Smith, Alderman Rogers.

Voting Nay: Alderman Key

Abstain: None Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HARVEY

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mayor Clark asks Attorney Bolin to elaborate on Ordinance 3480.

Please see Ordinance 3480.

Alderwoman Chapman makes a question regarding "intimidation".

Mayor asks Alderpersons to make statements for debate, any questions to be given in writing.

Alderwoman Drewenski mentioned if this prohibits the State or County to prosecute.

Mayor Clark stated it does not prohibit them from prosecuting.

Ordinance # 3480 - An Ordinance Amending Title 9 Regarding Additional Offenses.

Alderwoman Drewenski made the motion to approve the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Smith.

Voting Aye: Aldermen Randle-El, Key, Rogers, Alderwomen Chapman, Smith, Drewenski.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Alderpersons Announcements

6th Ward Alderman Rogers says Happy Thanksgiving to all. He commends the Street Department for cleaning up the 6th Ward. He invited his Ward to the Annual Coat, Toy, Food Give-Away that he and his wife, Janet Rogers, hold every year at Bryant Elementary School on December 20th. He mentions the Toy-Give-Away at the Masonic Lodge on 144th and Halsted on December 16, 2023.

5th Ward Alderman Randle-El states that he hoped everyone had a great Thanksgiving. He mentions the Legislative Committee Meetings are held every first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. and he encourages the residents to come to these meetings. He also mentions to call the Clerks office to see if the meetings are not cancelled.

4th Ward Alderman Key said Happy Thanksgiving to all. He gives condolences to residents who have lost loved ones. He states that it is hard times going through these Holidays without their loved ones.

3rd Ward Alderwoman Smith wishes Happy Thanksgiving to all. She mentions that everyone be mindful of checking on their loved ones during these Holidays. She states that we should check on our neighbors too.

2nd Ward Alderwoman Chapman hoped everyone had an awesome Thanksgiving with their families. She stated that on November 20th she partnered with Whittier School Elementary to give out turkeys to the entire school. She also thanked BlueCross/BlueShield and Family Christian Health for their support. On November the 25th, she had an opportunity to go see a play with the seniors called "Love and Hate" at Thornton High School. On November the 29th, 5-8pm.at her office, they were going to help those residents to complete a Fema application online for those who experienced flooding. On December 13, 6p.m. at her office, the Assessor

from Thornton Township would be there for any questions the residents may have. On December 16, School District 152 will have their 9th annual Joy of Giving from 11am.-2p.m. at Brooks Middle School. This event will be for the entire City.

lst Ward Alderwoman Drewenski wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. She mentioned that she was having her Santa Visit event also on December 16, 2023. She invites everyone to her Santa Event and says that everyone is always welcome to any of her events. She gave out her phone number to the 1st Ward. 708-596-7470. She said she was also grateful to have distributed turkeys to the 1st Ward. Alderwoman Drewenski stated that she partnered with State Representative Will Davis to give out the turkeys. She says that they have been doing this together for the last 13 years and that it is a great partnership. She commented on how the residents of Harvey can make their rounds throughout the City on December the 16th to all the other events going on that day.

Mayor also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He praises God for blessing all of us and let His light shine upon everyone. He thanks the Harvey team for organizing the turkey giveaway and he mentions that it was well attended. Mayor Clark states that The City of Harvey will have their annual toy drive on December 16, 2023, from 2:00-4:30 pm. and at 4:30 pm there will be a tree lighting. Light refreshments will be provided. You can register for the toy drive online at cityofharveyil.gov or call 708-210-5300 ext. 6. The last day for registration is December 8th. Mayor Clark says he was extremely excited because on Thanksgiving he was blessed with a granddaughter. He says mom and baby are doing very well.

Public Comment

- 1. Ryan Sinwelski –Ryan mentioned that he had attended a historic building event with the Harvey Historical Society. He states he believes Harvey is a great city full of historical buildings that could be saved instead of being demolished. He doesn't understand why Harvey is saying no to reuse a historical building instead of demolishing them.
- 2. Jay LarRue Mr. LaRue wants to know want can be done to renovate the location between the post office and Glorias.
- 3. Murdennia Cloeman Fason Ms. Murdennia asks when the next meeting is.
- 4. LaRoyce Williams- Ms. Williams of EBJ foundation wants the City to keep them in mind if there is a building that can be donated so that they can continue to help the City of Harvey. She says her foundation helps many residents in the City.
- 5. Chapelle Hooks Ms. Hooks wants to know why there is no treasure's report. She wants to know where the money is going.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 p.m.

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

Voting Aye: Alderwomen Drewenski, Chapman, Smith, Aldermen Key, Randel-El, Rogers.

Voting Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Rosa M. Arambula - City Clerk