



**CITY OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS
City Council Regular Meeting
February 24, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The council meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Helmer at City Hall, 8 North Elmhurst Road, Prospect Heights, Illinois 60070.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Helmer, Treasurer Tibbits, City Clerk Adamson Aldermen- Higgins, Williamson, Ludvigsen, Mendez, Styler

A quorum was present. Also present: City Administrator Marrin, City Attorney Zimmermann, Director of Building and Zoning Skiber, Finance Director Hannon, Deputy Police Chief Steffen, Acting Public Works Director/Assistant Director of Building and Zoning Cutaia, Deputy Clerk Schultheis, and Assistant to the Administrator Sabo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by City Clerk Adamson.

INVOCATION

Administered by Reverend Eric Schlichting of Good Shepard Lutheran Church.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. A Proclamation in Honor of the Exceptional Public Service Contributions by Dick Wolf to the City of Prospect Heights – Deputy Police Chief Steffen gave a tribute to the First Mayor of Prospect Heights, Dick Wolf. He thanked him for his years of service as Police and Fire Commission Director. Mayor Helmer read the Proclamation in his honor. Dick Wolf thanked the audience and Council, and received a standing ovation for his contribution to the City.

B. A Proclamation Celebrating the Prospect Heights Lions Club's 60th Anniversary – Alderman Ludvigsen presented the Proclamation. The Mayor noted that the 2015 City Vehicle Sticker would be the logo of the Lions Club.

C. A Proclamation Honoring the City of Prospect heights Public Works Department for Excellence in Snow Removal Operations – City Administrator Marrin presented the Proclamation.

D. Presentation by the Northwestern Illinois Crime Lab – **To be held at the March 10th Workshop Meeting.**

CLOSED SESSION

To be held after the end of the Open Session, as there was nothing that required a vote.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

No Comments.

STAFF AND ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORT

CEA Director Kearns – Said that Hawthorn Global Aviation would be ready for a soft opening on March 10, 2014. The CEA would be hiring 24 employees.

EMAS – is moving forward. There is a \$5.3 million grant from the State for EMAS.

There is a \$1million rehab project for the taxiways along Sumac Road.

There is a new server at the CEA office to improve communication.

A new maintenance man was hired, as well as a new CFO – Scott Campbell.

CEA Meeting regarding strategic planning will start one hour earlier at 5 PM.

Alderman Styler – commented on his Crime Lab tour, and noted that he was impressed.

Alderman Williamson – wants to add to the Workshop Agenda – incorporation of unincorporated sections of Prospect Heights.

Alderman Ludvigsen – Echoed the desire to have the annexation of land boundaries in the upcoming agenda.

City Attorney Zimmermann noted that the first step that it had been ten years since the ward maps had been studied and redrawn.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

E. Approval of Minutes, City Council Regular Meeting, January 27, 2014

F. Approval of Minutes, City Council Workshop Meeting, February 10, 2014

G. A Resolution Establishing an Ad Hoc Natural Resources Commission

Alderman Williamson moved for an omnibus Approval of Items E, F. and G; seconded by Alderman Styler. There was unanimous approval.

VOICE VOTE All ayes, No nays.

Motion passed 5 – 0.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

H. Approval of Warrants

General Fund	\$73,055.94
MFT Fund	\$4,842.31
Palatine/Milwaukee TIF	\$1,378.50
Tourism District	\$124.00
Development Fund	\$270.74
DEA Fund	\$365.48
Solid Waste Fund	\$0.00
SS Area #1	\$0.00
SS Area #2	\$0.00
SS Area #3	\$0.00
SS Area #4	\$0.00
SS Area #5	\$0.00
SS Area #8 – Levee Wall #37	\$201.00

SS Area-Constr #6 (Water Main)	\$0.00
SS Area- Debt #6	\$0.00
Road Construction	\$0.00
Water Fund	\$3,221.68
Parking Fund	\$0.00
Road/Building Bond Escrow	\$0.00
TOTAL Expenditures	\$83,459.65
Wire Payments, Service Charges, & Payroll	\$23,626.64
TOTAL	\$107,086.29

City Clerk Adamson read the Expenditure totals.

Alderman Williamson moved to approve the Expenditures as presented; seconded by Alderman Styler for TOTAL Expenditures of \$83, 459.65; and Wire Payments, Service Charges and Payroll in the amount of \$23,626.64; for a The TOTAL amount of \$107,086.29. There was unanimous approval.

ROLL CALL AYES – Higgins, Ludvigsen, Mendez, Styler, Williamson
NAYS – None

Motion passed 5 – 0

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

I. Agnes Wojnarski – Natural Resources Commission

J. Keri Spiegelhalter– Natural Resources Commission

K. Ed Madden – Natural Resources Commission

L. Marcia Jendreas– Natural Resources Commission

M. Agnes Debicki– Natural Resources Commission

Alderman Mendez moved for omnibus Approval of Items I, J, K, L and M; seconded by Alderman Higgins. There was unanimous approval.

ROLL CALL AYES – Higgins, Ludvigsen, Mendez, Styler, Williamson
NAYS – None

Motion passed 5 – 0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

N. An Ordinance Imposing a Moratorium on the Development and Operation of Medical Cannabis Cultivation Centers and Dispensary Organizations in the City of Prospect Heights, for six months and then to be revisited. (waiver of the 1st Reading) –

Alderman Higgins moved to waiver the first reading; seconded by Alderman Ludvigsen. There was unanimous approval.

ROLL CALL AYES – Higgins, Ludvigsen, Mendez, Styler, Williamson
NAYS – None

Motion passed 5 – 0

Alderman Higgins moved to Approve Item N; seconded by Alderman Ludvigsen. . There was unanimous approval.

ROLL CALL AYES – Higgins, Ludvigsen, Mendez, Styler, Williamson
NAYS – None

Motion passed 5 – 0

NEW BUSINESS

O. A Resolution in Support of a Grant Application to Commonwealth Edison for the Green Region Program.

Alderman Higgins moved to Approve Item O; seconded by Alderman Williamson. There was unanimous approval.

VOICE VOTE All ayes, No nays.

Motion passed 5 – 0.

Additional Budget Meeting – There was discussion that there would be an additional Budget Meeting published for March 3, 2014 at 6:30 PM. Other days would also be discussed, as the Aldermen were not all available on March 3rd.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:14 PM, Alderman Higgins moved to Adjourn the Regular Council Meeting and go into Closed Session to Discuss Performance of Specific Personnel and Compensation; seconded by Alderman Styler. There was unanimous approval.

VOICE VOTE All ayes, no nays.

Motion passed 5 – 0.

Approved by the Prospect Heights City Council this 24th of March, 2014.


Stacey Adamson, City Clerk


Nicholas J Helmer, Mayor

