

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 28, 2022

The regular meeting of the Plano City Council was called to order on Monday, March 28, 2022 by the Mayor in the Council Room at City Hall. The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Steve DeBolt	Present	John Fawver	Present
Ben Eaton	Present	Jamal Williams	Present
Tommy Johns	Present	Barb Nadeau	Present
Scott Mulliner	Present	Mark Swoboda	Present

There was a quorum.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Alderman Eaton, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 14, 2022. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Alderman Eaton, seconded by Alderman Williams, to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of March 28, 2022. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

WARRANTS:

A motion was made by Alderman Swoboda, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated March 28, 2022 in the amount of \$ 88,197.66.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

WAGE REPORT:

A motion was made by Alderman Swoboda, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to approve the February 2022 wage report in the amount of \$ 278,296.65.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Guests and members of the press were welcomed by Mayor Rennels.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Mike Welz discussed the Community Garden, they are asking the City for water, trash and tilling services for this year. Last year was a great year, they donated 12,000 pounds of produce to the Food Pantry. They are looking for volunteers for this year. The City services will be approved at the next meeting.

Joe Salsbery commented on the Community Garden, he did not realize what the community garden was about. He said he could get some football players and scouts to help out.

Mr. Nunez, 104 S. Lew spoke about the rezoning request for his property for remodeling.

PLANO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

Jen Lyle was present to speak about the Chamber activities and updates. There will be a Critical Cyber Security Briefing on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at 10:00 am, given by Rep. Underwood and the Illinois Chamber of Commerce. New members include The Homestead 1854, Country Financial, by Chris Heitz, Country Financial, by Kathy Martin, Fox Valley United Way, Plano Public Library, Sales Babble and Scooter’s Coffee. The Annual dinner had a great turn out. Biz Bunny Hop will return on April 9, 2022 from noon until 2:00 pm.

MAYOR’S REPORT: *Michael Rennels*

Mayor Rennels reminded the Aldermen to utilize their laptops so we can transition to paperless. He said that if they are having issues to let him know and he will get it taken care of.

CITY ATTORNEY: *William Thomas*

Ordinance 2022-4 Increase Class E liquor licenses from 7 to 8

A motion was made by Alderman Mulliner, seconded by Alderman Williams, to approve an ordinance amending Title 3, chapter 2, section 3-2-7 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano for the number of Class E liquor licenses.

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

Ordinance 2022-5 Rezoning of 104 S. Lew

A motion was made by Alderman Nadeau, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve an ordinance reclassifying and rezoning real estate, Eleazar Nunez, owner at 104 S. Lew St., Plano, IL

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

CITY CLERK: *Kathleen Miller – Nothing to report*

CITY TREASURER: *Zoila Gomez*

The January 2022 Treasurers report was in the amount of \$ 9,897,880.96.

The January 2022 disbursements were in the amount of \$ 1,255,535.46

February 2022 Revenue & Expenditure and tax revenue reports were distributed in mailboxes on March 25, 2022.

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT: *Chief Whowell – Absent – Lt. Allison present – Nothing to report*

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER: *D. Boyer, J. Beyer, K. Tisberger – Nothing to report*

BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING: *Jeff Sobotka – Absent – Mayor presented request*

A motion was made by Alderman Eaton, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve to advertise for a part or full time property maintenance/building inspector. This was discussed at the Personnel & Insurance committee meeting and was given a favorable recommendation.

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE/HEALTH & SAFETY: Alderman Mulliner

Alderman Mulliner had a meeting March 17, 2022 at 6:00 PM to discuss the EOP and the PD 5 year plan.

BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING: Alderman DeBolt

Alderman DeBolt has a meeting on April 5, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Fawver

Alderman Fawver has a meeting April 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

FINANCE: Alderman Swoboda

Alderman Swoboda called a meeting for April 11, 2022 at 5:15 PM. They have been discussing the travel policy, they will get the proposed changes to the City Attorney for review before bringing it to the Council.

PARKS: Alderman Johns

A motion was made by Alderman Johns, seconded by Alderman Williams, to approve the GTZ maintenance contract for mowing, fertilizing and weed control of City Parks and other parcels from April 1, 2022 through November 15, 2022 in the amount of \$ 12,000.00; the contract also contains services for mowing of Rt. 34 at \$ 250.00 per visit.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

Alderman Johns also updated information on the disc golf and he is getting pricing on sod, aerating and seeding.

PERSONNEL & INSURANCE: Alderman Williams

A motion was made by Alderman Williams, seconded by Alderman Eaton, to approve a wage increase for Chief Whowell to a base salary of \$122,000.00 effective May 1, 2022.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Williams, seconded by Alderman Eaton, to approve a wage increase for Lt. Allison to a base salary of \$ 115,000.00 effective May 1, 2022.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Williams, Fawver, Eaton, DeBolt

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

Alderman Williams meeting for March 22, 2022 was canceled. A meeting was called for April 7, 2022 at 5:30 PM.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Alderman Nadeau – Nothing to report

STREETS & UTILITIES: Alderman Eaton

Alderman Eaton had a meeting on March 23, 2022 and discussed the water tower maintenance and the rate study. The next meetings will be April 13 & 27, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Joe Salsbery said that it was great that the Council approved the rezoning of 104 S. Lew this evening. He also feels that the City Council and the School Board meetings should not be held on the same night. It makes him choose; he would like to attend both meetings.

Keith Riddle also commented that it was great that the Council approved the rezoning of 104 S. Lew and it was good that the Police Department salaries were brought up to speed.

CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman DeBolt seconded by Alderman Eaton, to adjourn. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.

Kathleen Miller
City Clerk