

City of Deer Park  
City Council Committee Meeting  
Municipal Building  
March 3, 2014

## **Legislative and Finance**

### Deer Park Tax Commissioner Patty Meiers – Recommended Changes in Tax Code for 2015

Deer Park Tax Commissioner Patty Meiers addressed Council and discussed two recommendations to improve collections; require a copy of page 1 of form 1040, and to assess earnings tax to gambling winnings. Discussion ensued. Mrs. Meiers advised that most communities tax gambling winnings. Mrs. Meiers will return to the April Committee Meeting to further discuss these recommendations and to provide an update on the Tax Uniformity bill. She also advised that tax clerk, Brenda Reinert, is preparing for the Sycamore Township Northwest JEDZ.

Mr. Helmes advised that the time has come to hold a meeting of the Tax Board of Review.

### Hamilton County Health Commissioner, Tim Ingram

Mr. Berens reported that the Hamilton County Health Commissioner, Tim Ingram is planning to attend the March 24, City Council Meeting to update Council on HB92 and the possibility of a Syringe Exchange Program for Hamilton County.

### Hamilton County DD

Mr. Berens advised that members of the Hamilton County Board of Developmental Disabilities will address Council at the March 24 meeting to seek support for their Tax Levy on the May Ballot.

### February 2014 Income Tax Report

Mr. Berens reported the February Tax Report was in Council mailboxes. We finished the month of February up 3% over January.

### Councilwoman Christine Hedger – Student Government Night

Mrs. Hedger reported that everything is in order for next week's Student Government Night Council Meeting. Council members are to meet at Rusty's Restaurant at 5:30pm for the dinner prior to the meeting. The cost this year will be \$15.00 per person plus tip.

## **Safety**

### Police Department Monthly Reports

The report will be available next week.

### Fire Department Monthly Report

Mr. Berens presented the February Fire Department Monthly Report

## **Public Works**

### Winter Operations

Mr. Berens reported that we were able to purchase 24 tons of salt from our vendor, Morton Salt, most of which was used over this past weekend during the ice and snowstorm.

## **Schedule:**

- Student Government City Council Meeting, Monday, March 10 at 7:00 p.m.
- Park Board Meeting, March 20 at 7:00pm
- City Council Meeting, Monday, March 24 at 7:00 p.m.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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Joseph W. Comer  
President of Council

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Michael J. Berens  
Clerk of Council, Pro Tem