

City of Deer Park  
City Council Meeting  
Municipal Building  
January 11, 2016

President Hedger opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. The Clerk read the roll. Mr. Lehane, Mr. Lenihan, Ms. Newsom, Mr. Perin, Mr. Rapp, Mr. Tassell, Mr. Tolliver.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2015 City Council Meeting, the January 1, 2016 Installation of Officials Meeting and the January 4, 2016 Committee Meeting. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

### **Public Comment – Citizens and Guests –**

Mayor Donnellon – Administer Oath of Office to Auditor John Applegate – Mayor Donnellon administered the oath of office to Mr. John Applegate, Auditor as Mr. Applegate he was out of town on 1/1/16.

Public Comments - None

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **Legislative and Finance Committee**

##### **December 2015 Auditor's and Treasurer's Report**

The December 2015 Auditor's and Treasurer's Report is not yet available and will be ready for the January 25 council meeting.

##### **December 2015 Income Tax Report**

Mr. Tolliver reported that in 2015 we collected \$52,925.39 more than what was collected in 2014. Mr. Tolliver motioned to approve the December 2015 Income Tax Report. Ms. Newsom seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

##### **December 2015 NW JEDZ Report**

Mr. Tolliver announced that Deer Park's distribution for year to date in 2015 was \$77,739.29. Mr. Tolliver motioned to approved the December 2015 JEDZ Report. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

#### **Ordinance 2016-02 An Ordinance Approving A Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The Teamsters Local 100 And The City Of Deer Park And Authorizing The Director of Safety-Services To Execute The Agreement And Declaring An Emergency**

Mr. Tolliver asked the Clerk to read Ordinance 2016-02. So read. Mr. Tolliver motioned to waive the 24 hour rule and was seconded by Mr. Tassell. Mr. Lehane – yes, Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp - yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried. Mr. Tolliver motioned to waive the three reading rule and Mr. Tassell seconded the motion. Mr. Lehane – yes, Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp - yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried. Mr. Tolliver motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Perin. Mr. Lehane – yes, Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin - yes, Mr. Rapp - no, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried.

#### **Safety Committee**

##### **December 2015 Deer Park-Silverton Joint Fire District Monthly Report**

Mr. Lehane reported that for the month of December there were a total of 213 fire and EMS runs. For the year 2015 there were 2,557 runs. Year to date loss was only \$13,000.

##### **December 2015 Deer Park Police Department Monthly Report**

Mr. Perin reported that during the month of December there were 252 calls on 1<sup>st</sup> shift, 208 calls on 2<sup>nd</sup> shift and 221 calls on 3<sup>rd</sup> shift for a total of 664 calls. There is a continued trend in thefts from autos and burglaries. Residents are reminded to lock their vehicles and reduce the chance of burglary by leaving on lights, televisions and/or radios. If a resident will be away for a few days, a vacation check form can be completed at the police department. Warrants were served just about every day and the city remains a safe place to live, work and visit.

## **Public Works Committee**

### **Redmont Avenue Completed**

Mr. Tassell stated that the Redmont Avenue project is complete and that all payments have been sent.

### **Brush Chipping and Leaf Collection**

Mr. Tassell announced that the leaf collection has gone very well as he has not received any phone calls about it this year. The last Christmas tree pick up was Friday January 8 however Mr. Berens stated that if there are any Christmas trees placed at the curb, they will still be picked up.

### **Snow**

Mr. Lehane reminded all to please not park on the streets during and just after snowstorms. This presents a better opportunity clear the streets more thoroughly. Mr. Berens stated that there is plenty of salt for this winter.

### **Report of Special Committees / Boards**

**Park Board** – Mr. Perin reported that the Christmas decorations were taken down this past weekend. Amy Hathorn has resigned from the Park Board. A replacement will be appointed by Mayor Donnellon.

### **Citizen Questions or Comments on Agenda Thus Far – None**

### **New Business**

#### **Student Government Night**

President Hedger announced that it is time to plan Student Government Night, which is an annual event with students from Deer Park High School each year in March. President Hedger will contact the Government teacher at the high school to set up the date with the students and Sarah at Barresi's to plan the menu. Ms. Newsom also offered to help in the planning.

#### **Street Task Force/Proposed Street Tax Levy**

Mr. Tolliver discussed a letter that Mr. Rapp wrote and distributed to the City of Deer Park Elected Officials, Safety Service Director and Clerk of Council regarding his views on the proposed street tax levy. Mr. Lehane, chairperson of the street/infrastructure committee will review this document. President Hedger noted that this letter includes information on tax rates of Deer Park and surrounding communities and where the city currently sits to help with infrastructure in the city.

### **Correspondence (Clerk of Council) & Miscellaneous – None**

### **Reports from other City Officials**

**Treasurer** – None

**Law Director** – None

**Auditor** – None

**Safety Service Director** – None

**Mayor's Report** – None

**Executive Session**—RE: To Discuss Safety-Service Director Agreement - At 7:20 pm, Mr. Tolliver motioned to retire to executive session to discuss Safety-Service Director Agreement to include council members, Mr. Applegate, Mayor Donnellon, President Hedger, Ms. Perin-Seitz and Mr. Helmes. Mr. Perin seconded the motion. Mr. Lehane - yes, Mr. Lenihan – yes, Ms. Newsom – yes, Mr. Perin – yes, Mr. Rapp - yes, Mr. Tassell – yes, Mr. Tolliver – yes. Motion carried.

Executive Session concluded at 7:47 pm.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Lehane motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Perin. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.