

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF CREST HILL
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
March 17, 2025

The regular meeting of the City of Crest Hill was called to order by Mayor Raymond R. Soliman at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 20600 City Center Boulevard, Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. Mayor Soliman asked everyone to remain standing after the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Soliman stated that Mr. Robert Churnovic passed away on March 6, 2025, at the age of ninety-eight. He was a Veteran of the United States Navy and served in WWII. He then thanked him for his service to his Country. He also commented that one of his sons was our former Mayor, Nick Churnovic. Robert was a well-respected citizen and businessperson of Crest Hill and the founder and owner of Churnovic & Sons Masonry and founder and owner of Joliet Glass Block Window Company. Mayor Soliman asked for a moment of silence in honor of Robert Churnovic and offered condolences to the family for their loss.

Roll call indicated the following present: Mayor Raymond Soliman, City Treasurer Glen Conklin, City Clerk Christine Vershay-Hall, Alderman Scott Dyke, Alderwoman Jennifer Methvin, Alderman Darrell Jefferson, Alderwoman Claudia Gazal, Alderperson Tina Oberlin, Alderman Mark Cipiti, Alderman Nate Albert.

Also present were: Interim City Administrator Tony Graff, Police Chief Ed Clark, Finance Director Glenn Gehrke, City Engineer Ron Wiedeman, Community and Economic Development Director Patrick Ainsworth, Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen, City Attorney Mike Stiff.

Absent were: Alderman Joe Kubal, Interim Human Resource Manager Dave Strahl, Interim Community Development Director Ron Mentzer, Building Commissioner Don Seeman.

Mayor Soliman stated that he received a text from Alderman Kubal, and he is excused from the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Soliman presented the minutes from the Work Session Meeting Held on February 24, 2025, for Council approval per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#1) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, to Approve the Minutes from the Work Session Held on February 24, 2025, per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Soliman presented the minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on March 3, 2025, for Council approval per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

Alderman Cipiti commented that he reviewed that meeting, and he noticed there were some discussions and content that was left out of the minutes and asked the Clerk to review the meeting and new minutes added.

Clerk Christine Vershay-Hall commented that there were too many people talking at one time at several parts of the meeting. Alderman Cipiti commented that the part he was referring to was clear. Clerk Vershay-Hall asked Alderman Cipiti to send an email of what exactly he would like added.

(#2) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal seconded by Alderman Jefferson, to Approve the Minutes with amendments from the Regular Meeting Held on March 3, 2025, per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Dyke.

NAYES: None.

ABSTAIN: Ald. Albert.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being six (6) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Soliman presented the minutes from the Work Session Meeting Held on March 10, 2025, for Council approval per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#3) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderwoman Gazal, to Approve the Minutes from the Work Session Held on March 10, 2025, per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

CITY ATTORNEY: Attorney Mike Stiff commented that he has no agenda items but is happy to answer any questions.

Alderwoman Gazal asked if he could clarify about the Council coming to a posted or not posted meeting. She then asked what the difference is if the Council sits together at the Memorial Day Ceremony compared to an IML Meeting that they all gather at? Attorney Stiff commented that if it is a social meeting or celebration that is not posted you need to be careful not to conduct city business as a quorum. The discussion of business, if there is a quorum, can be viewed as a violation of the Open Meetings Act since the celebration is not a posted meeting. He then commented that there should be no discussion of city business during those non-posted non-City Council meetings.

Alderwoman Gazal commented that she called to reserve seats at the Plan Commission meeting and there was a ‘rumble’ that she called and then the city attorney had to be contacted to make sure it was okay, which was a waste of taxpayer money. She then commented that it is no different as to when the mayor was being sworn-in and saved all the chairs in the front roll.

She then commented that she came to the meeting as a resident and an elected official and knows what she can and cannot do. She then commented that she is constantly being watched even to the point that the police had checked under the dais and had a search of the Chambers and kitchen. She asked for this to stop, she does not need all this attention.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: Interim City Administrator Tony Graff gave an update on his memo the Council had received.

Community Development Update Items from Director Ainsworth:

- A. Lockport Township Fire District Training Facility Proposed Project: Planning Commission Meeting. The next step comes to the City Council Work Session meeting and then a City Council meeting.
- B. A & D Storage Resubmittal: Special Planning Commission Meeting is scheduled for the Public Hearing on Thursday, March 27, 2025, at 7 pm for this item only. The item will be on the future City Council Regular Session Agenda after Plan Commission action is taken.
- C. Old City Hall Property Update: The applicant is submitting a revised application for staff to review. There will be a request for an extension to the current Purchase and Sale Agreement from the buyer which will be reviewed by staff and presented to the city council for consideration. More information will be available as soon as more details are provided from the applicant/buyer. This will possibly be going to Plan Commission in the month of May.

STATEVILLE CORRECTIONAL CENTER – Capital Development Board – No Update

BL DUKE FIRE: B.L. Duke Fire Incident 11/1/2024: The Finance Director Glenn Gehrke is preparing an invoice for final review by City Attorney Stiff which will be delivered to BL Duke Scrap Metal Recycling Yard 2 Genstar Lane near Industry Avenue off Broadway Street (Unincorporated Will County).

Job Announcements: The following Job Announcements were posted, and the Interim HR Director reviewed the job descriptions and created updated announcements for the following positions (the announcements have been posted on the city web site).

- a. Building Inspector Announcement: A candidate interview is scheduled for the full-time position.
- b. City Administrator Search-MGT/GovHR Consulting Recruitment Services - The search has started with posting the job announcement with the deadline of March 17, 2025, to accept resumes. As of Friday 3/14/2025, Forty-five candidates have applied. MGT has reviewed their credentials, talked with twenty candidates, and did virtual interviews

with fifteen. Continue to perform background checks and references. Ryan Cotton will continue to do the same for any last-minute candidates between now and the deadline on Monday 3/17/2025. Still on track to provide the electronic books on Thursday, April 3rd. Ryan Cotton will be in person to discuss the council's interview invitations on Tuesday, April 8th, at the Special Work Session Meeting, Executive Session starting at 7:00 PM.

Water Meter Replacement Project – (ON-GOING) Non-Compliance property owners' appointments are progressing.

Places For Eating Tax – Delinquent Businesses: Additional citations will be issued. Legal options to seek monetary judgement for non-payment are being prepared to file civil actions. Additional Citations have been issued for non-payment and the hearing date is 3/19/2025. There are four citations issued.

West Sanitary Sewer Treatment Project – Nothing new to report, still on schedule for the plant to be completed in 2026 (60% Completed). Will keep everyone posted.

Department of Public Works Training - The training which is set up for Certified Flagger training on 3/17 in advance of the construction season will cost \$1300, conducted by Bartalone Safety Company as a recommendation by the city insurance provider. Additional training: Public Works attended OSHA required training on Trench and Excavation Competent Person Safety on Thursday 3/13/25.

State of Illinois Crime Lab/State Police Headquarters Project – State of Illinois Crime Lab/State Police Headquarters Project- UPDATE- Nothing New to Report.

City Website – CivicPLUS had an introduction meeting with the city team to begin the process for redesigning the City Web Site. CivicPLUS is our Web Site Host and offers this service with additional training for staff to keep the Web Site Fresh. As part of the next step there will be designs to review and these will be sent to the city council members and staff for feedback.

Alderman Jefferson asked if we are actively searching for a Human Resource Director and a Public Works Director? Interim Administrator Tony Graff commented that the last time it was discussed it was put on hold to focus on the City Administrator position.

Alderman Jefferson commented that there needs to be discussion is they are extending the contract for the Interim Administrator Tony Graff, since the last time it was only until February, and it is now March.

Attorney Stiff commented that his recollection of the MGT contract was once a term has been succeeded, it would renew automatically for two-week periods until terminated.

Alderwoman Gazal asked if the meeting will be posted for the Plan Commission meeting on March 27, 2025. Interim Administrator Tony Graff commented that when the

application is completed and reviewed it will be turned over to the Clerk's Office to be posted.

Alderman Cipiti asked if the annual performance evaluations are being done, since it is a piece of the budget process. Interim City Administrator Graff commented that the department heads have started the process and will be meeting with the employees and have been given the date of April 1, 2025, to start reviewing the evaluations.

City Treasurer Glen Conklin commented that the budget will allocate the higher end of the salary range, and it will be covered in the budget.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen requested Approval to Purchase 2 New Fluent Pumps (Contractor to Be Determined), the Transfer Pump (Contractor to Be Determined) and the Flow Meter (Contractor to Be Determined) at the East STP not to Exceed an Amount of \$175,000.00 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#4) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, for Approval to Purchase 2 New Fluent Pumps (Contractor to Be Determined), the Transfer Pump (Contractor to Be Determined) and the Flow Meter (Contractor to Be Determined) at the East STP not to Exceed an Amount of \$175,000.00 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen requested to Approve a Change Order for Emergency Repair Work to the Iron Filter at Well 12 not to Exceed an Amount of \$65,000.00 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#5) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, to Approve a Change Order for Emergency Repair Work to the Iron Filter at Well 12 not to Exceed an Amount of \$65,000.00 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen requested Approval of Pay Request #26 from Vissering Construction Inc. with Direction to Send it to the IEPA for Approval and Disbursement for a Total Amount of \$372,032.50 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#6) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal seconded by Alderperson Oberlin, for Approval of Pay Request #26 from Vissering Construction Inc. with Direction to Send it to the IEPA for Approval and Disbursement for a Total Amount of \$372,032.50 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Aldersperson Oberlin commented that in Fox Meadow Subdivision there was a sidewalk that went both directions onto the street and then the sidewalk was redone and they only replaced with one direction and when she asked about it, she was told because there was no sidewalk on the other side. However, if you go to the end of the road on the same street there are sidewalks done in both directions. She then commented that since the sidewalk is gone and the children getting on the bus are now going through the grass and it is a hazard, and she is concerned because the answer she received does not make sense.

City Engineer Ron Wiedeman commented that there were ADA requirements in why it was not replaced but he would be happy to have a conversation with Aldersperson Oberlin about this.

Alderman Dyke commented that residents on Oakland Avenue have contacted him regarding truck traffic coming through from Theodore Street and asked if the 'No Truck' sign could be switched to the post closer to Theodore? Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen commented that he would take care of it.

CITY ENGINEER: City Engineer Ron Wiedeman requested to Approve a Resolution Approving the Submittal of Illinois Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP) Loan Application for the CIPP Water Main Rehabilitation Phase 1 Improvement per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#7) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal seconded by Aldersperson Oberlin, to Approve a Resolution Approving the Submittal of Illinois Water Supply Loan Program (PWSLP) Loan Application for the CIPP Water Main Rehabilitation Phase 1 Improvement per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution #1292

City Engineer Ron Wiedeman requested to Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 13 (Water and Sewer), Chapter 13.04 (General Provisions), Chapter 13.18 (Water Connections) and Section 13.08.050 (Mandatory Sewer Connection) of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#8) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, to Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 13 (Water and Sewer), Chapter 13.04 (General Provisions), Chapter 13.18 (Water Connections) and Section 13.08.050 (Mandatory Sewer Connection) of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.
Ordinance #2013

Attorney Stiff commented that looking at the draft ordinance he noticed there is not a date for this to be effective. He mentioned that the staff was thinking April 1, 2025. He then commented that the Council needs to do a new motion to Approve the ordinance as written with the insert of April 1, 2025, as the effective date.

(#9) Motion by Alderwoman Gazal seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, to Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 13 (Water and Sewer), Chapter 13.04 (General Provisions), Chapter 13.18 (Water Connections) and Section 13.08.050 (Mandatory Sewer Connection) of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances effective April 1, 2025, per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.
Ordinance #2013

Attorney Stiff then commented that we have been calling this a 'tap-on fee,' but we cannot do that since this ordinance has changed the term to 'Equitable Connection Charge.'

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Economic & Community Development Director Patrick Ainsworth requested to Approve a Resolution Adopting the 2025 Zoning Map for the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois per the memo dated March 17, 2025. Director Patrick Ainsworth commented that there were five changes to the map, and he then thanked the Clerk's Office for sending over the special uses, rezoning and planned unit development ordinances to Robinson Engineering.

(#10) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderman Dyke, to Approve a Resolution Adopting the 2025 Zoning Map for the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke,

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.
Resolution #1293

Alderman Dyke asked for an update on the Oakland Avenue bus lot. Director Patrick Ainsworth commented that a letter was sent out with the address that was on the County website, and it was returned and then the Clerk's Office notified another company that they thought might own it and it was the owner, and another letter was sent. He then commented that we are waiting on the business application to come back and once we receive it, we will do a business inspection to determine the appropriate use and make sure there is appropriate screening and fencing per our zoning ordinance.

Alderwoman Gazal asked if he was aware that New Uses business is closed, and a new business is coming into their location. Director Ainsworth commented that he is aware and has emailed the broker asking for a marketing brochure to verify what the new use would be, but it is a similar business, and we have not received the business application yet. Alderwoman Gazal commented that the new business would be selling cabinetry and flooring, and she is concerned about the amount of traffic since this is a very crowded area. She also commented that she feels we need to investigate this before approving this business. Director Ainsworth commented that when he receives the business license application, they will review the zoning to confirm if there are any concerns against the zoning code.

Alderwoman Gazal also commented that the former 'Big Lots' location is going to be a car supply store. Director Ainsworth commented that it is going to be O'Reily's Auto Parts Store, they have signed a lease and received their permits and are underway with construction.

Alderman Cipiti asked if there is any movement on the former Walgreens Store. Director Ainsworth commented that a couple of brokers have contacted him regarding that space wanting the owner's information. He commented that he had given the information of the owner, who is in California, to the broker and they have tried to contact that person but has been unsuccessful. Director Ainsworth commented that he is assuming there is still a rent payment being made from Walgreens on their lease agreement. Mayor Soliman commented that he believes that the Walgreens store had a lease agreement with that owner for two more years.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Ed Clark had no agenda items but wanted to remind everyone that they are having a Blood Drive on March 18, 2025, at the City Center, Community Room, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. It is with the American Red Cross and is a great cause.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Soliman requested Approval of a Proclamation Declaring the Month of March 2025 as Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month in the City of Crest Hill per the memo dated March 17, 2025. The Council read the Proclamation.

(#11) Motion by Alderman Albert seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, to Approve a Proclamation Declaring the Month of March 2025 as Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month in the City of Crest Hill per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Soliman stated that Jenny Moore, a Crest Hill resident, reached out to him for this awareness proclamation but she was unable to attend tonight's meeting because she is sick. Mayor Soliman then asked Jenny Moore if it was okay for the Council to read the proclamation and then she can come to the Council meeting on April 7, 2025, to announce more awareness of this disorder. He then commented that they have a son who has this disorder, and he attends Chaney-Monge School and had recently won third place in the D.A.R.E. poster contest.

Aldersperson Oberlin announced that March is also National Women's History Month.

Aldersperson Oberlin then commented that it was brought to her attention that the Class A Water Operator and Class 1 Sewage Operator, who signs all the permits for IEPA, is retiring and leaving the first week of June. She then asked why the Council was not informed of this since he let the city know a month ago.

Interim City Administrator Graff commented that he knows there was a conversation between him and Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen, but they were waiting for the resignation letter regarding his retirement, and they have not received anything in writing from the employee. Interim Administrator Graff commented that they are working on a plan and once they have the official document, they will take official action.

Alderman Jefferson asked how much notice one must give before retiring. Interim Public Works Director Julius Hansen commented that there is no requirement for that. Aldersperson Oberlin commented that she believes he can retire at anytime now and he originally stated that he would stay until the plant was completed but after the conversation, she had with him, he is not staying, and he has let the city know.

CITY CLERK: City Clerk Christine Vershay-Hall commented that she had nothing to report and there were no questions of the clerk.

CITY TREASURER: City Treasurer Glen Conklin requested to Approve the List of Bills Issued Through March 17, 2025, in the Amount of \$1,882,828.90 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

(#12) Motion by Alderwoman Methvin seconded by Aldersperson Oberlin, to Approve the list of bills issued through March 17, 2025, in the amount of \$1,882,828.90 for Council approval per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson.

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

City Treasurer Glen Conklin presented the Regular and Overtime Payroll from February 24, 2025, through March 9, 2025, in the amount of \$248,279.92 per the memo dated March 17, 2025.

Treasurer Conklin commented that the Council can expect the draft budget in their email by Thursday, March 20, 2025, and if you have any questions, please put that in writing via email and they will address them.

Alderman Cipiti made the Council aware that on March 13, 2024, they had a work session on last years budget and had already had a draft budget to review. Finance Director Glenn Gehrke reminded the Council that the previous Finance Director started the budget in September, and he was only able to start in December and he is not going to rush through the budget. Alderman Cipiti commented that he understands.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS: Alderwoman Gazal commented on the record that a Veteran, who was a General, was not given the chance to talk to the mayor, and she asked the mayor why this person was not given the chance. Mayor Soliman asked who she was referring to and Alderwoman Gazal commented that it was an employee who was let go without giving him a chance because there was no one to talk to.

Mayor Soliman commented that he walked into City Hall for ten minutes since he was on his way to a funeral mass and that gentleman asked to talk and he told him that he had to take care of something, and by the time the mayor was done in his office, it was all over, and the employee was escorted out.

Alderwoman Gazal commented that this is hitting her hard, and she is an advocate, and she will speak, and there is a process at the city and all employees should be treated equally and this employee was not given the opportunity. She also commented that there was no Human Resource Director and no Interim City Administrator there at the time and the Interim Public Works Director only heard one side of the story. Alderwoman Gazal then commented that the employee was not given a verbal warning or written warning. She commented that she lies awake at night thinking about this employee who has no family and was not given an opportunity to speak his side of the story. She also reminded everyone that there are cameras and if something happened prove it. She also commented that she is ashamed that no one at the city stood up for this man.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS: There were no committee/liason reports.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS: Alderman Albert announced the Crest Hill Lions Club is having their Annual Easter Egg Hunt for children ages ten years and younger. This event will be held at Chaney Park at 12:00 p.m.

Alderman Oberlin wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day. She also extended her deepest condolences to the Churnovic Family. She also announced to make sure and vote April 1, 2025, and those local officials affect your day-to-day life more than anyone else.

Alderwoman Gazal gave her condolences to the Churnovic Family. She also announced to everyone not to forget to vote April 1, 2025, for change.

Alderwoman Methvin commented that her mother-in-law had a scary situation happen recently, and she is mobility challenged. She then commented that someone was canvassing very aggressively for the current election and let themselves in the front door of her mothers-in-law's home and scared her. She also commented that she understands that we want change, but you need to be respectful to our aging community who are holding on to their independence and safety.

Alderman Dyke wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day and reminded everyone to vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Bill King, a resident, commented that in the last three years we have lost three Vietnam Veterans, and nothing was said about them at the Memorial Day Ceremony. He then commented that on August 20, 2022, we lost Richard Walkey, who was United States Marine Corp. Veteran. Then on December 22, 2022, we lost Roger McDaniel, United States Army Veteran, and on August 15, 2023, we lost Virgil Peck, United States Army Veteran. He commented that two of these veterans had cancer from Agent Orange and these men need to be remembered.

He then commented that on July 18, 2022, Richard Walkie was arrested and placed in jail and a month later he died while in jail, and that is unacceptable for a Veteran to die in jail. He then commented that this Memorial Day he would like to see these three men recognized since they deserved that. He then read a passage.

Attorney Stiff informed the Council that there was a need for an executive session on 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

(#13) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderwoman Methvin, to go into executive session on 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Cipiti, Albert, Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Session 8:07 p.m.

(#14) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderman Albert, to reconvene from the executive session on 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Dyke, Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

Reconvened 8:49 p.m.

There being no further business before the Council, and no action needed from an executive session, a motion for adjournment was in order.

(#15) Motion by Alderman Dyke seconded by Alderman Albert, to adjourn the March 17, 2025, Council meeting.

On roll call, the vote was:

AYES: Ald. Methvin, Jefferson, Gazal, Oberlin, Cipiti, Albert, Dyke.

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal.

There being seven (7) affirmative votes, the MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2025.

As presented _____

As amended _____

CHRISTINE VERSHAY-HALL, CITY CLERK

RAYMOND R. SOLIMAN, MAYOR

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