

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION
CITY COUNCIL OF CREST HILL
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 4, 2024

The January 4, 2024 City Council work session was called to order by Mayor Raymond R. Soliman at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 20600 City Center Blvd. Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois.

The following Council members were present: Mayor Raymond Soliman, City Clerk Christine Vershay-Hall, Alderman Scott Dyke, Alderman John Vershay, Alderman Darrell Jefferson, Alderwoman Claudia Gazal, Alderperson Tina Oberlin, Alderman Mark Cipiti, Alderman Nate Albert (Arrived at 7:06p).

Absent were: City Treasurer Glen Conklin, Alderman Joe Kubal.

Mayor Soliman commented that Alderman Joe Kubal and City Treasurer Glen Conklin are excused from the meeting.

Mayor Raymond Soliman asked for a motion to go into executive session on personnel 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

(#1) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderman Dyke, to go into an executive session on Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal, Albert.

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

Executive Session 7:01 p.m.

(#2) Motion by Alderperson Oberlin seconded by Alderman Jefferson to reconvene from executive session on Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

On roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYES: None.

ABSENT: Ald. Kubal

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

Reconvened 8:27 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

MAYORS UPDATES:

There was no mayor's update tonight. However, the mayor asked all Council members to bring any information they have regarding the inner-city buses.

Alderwoman Gazal commented that the residents really want to view the meetings on YouTube and have not been able. Mayor Soliman commented that Ron Romero has deleted his password to be able to upload to YouTube and Mr. Prah cannot retrieve the password. Mayor Soliman also commented that Mr. Prah will need to create a new password which will be at least a week going through the process to create a YouTube password. Alderman Cipiti asked Mayor Soliman if it would be about a week before we are getting back to uploading to the YouTube channel. Mayor Soliman commented that he would hope so. Alderman Cipiti asked what Mr. Prah's capacity is that he is taking over. Mayor Soliman commented that it is the cable/television that Ron Romero was doing. Alderman Cipiti commented that he agrees with Alderwoman Gazal that the residents are contacting him to watch the meetings on YouTube since they do not have Comcast. He also commented that the last two meetings were not broadcast to the public and they are wondering what the reason is that we are not broadcasting, and he feels it looks like we are hiding something. Mayor Soliman commented that Mr. Prah asked Ron Romero for the password and Ron tried to retrieve it but could not. He also commented that he is hoping this should be done in a week.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2024

As presented _____

As amended _____

CHRISTINE VERSHAY-HALL, CITY CLERK

RAYMOND R. SOLIMAN, MAYOR