

**FEBRUARY 19, 2019**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF PALOS HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called to order the regular meeting of the City of Palos Heights City Council at 7:00 p.m. in the City Administrative Center, 7607 W. College Drive, Palos Heights, IL.

**II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Mayor led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the following were present:

Mayor	Robert Straz	Ward 1	Donald Bylut & Jeffrey Key
City Clerk	Thomas Kantas	Ward 2	Jack Clifford
City Treasurer	James Daemicke	Ward 3	Dolores Kramarski & Alan Fulkerson
City Attorney	Tom Brown	Ward 4	Jerry McGovern & Michael McGovern

**IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

None

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting, February 5, 2010.

B. Approval of Payroll and Voucher List for the period ending February 15, 2019

Alderman Kramarski moved to approve the above items on the Consent Agenda seconded by Alderman Clifford.

On roll call, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda was:

Ayes: (7) Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski,  
McGrogan, McGovern.

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

**VI. OPENING OF SEALED BIDS**

None

**VII. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS**

A. Mayor:

- Urged residents to exercise caution during inclement weather.
- Requested a motion to approve the reappointments of Lynda Schiappa and Maria DeCaprio-Sunta to the positions of Public Arts Commissioners. Alderman Kramarski moved to approve the appointments seconded by Alderman Bylut. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Requested a motion to approve a Resolution acknowledging the Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau as our Convention and Visitors Bureau of record. Alderman Kramarski moved to approve the resolution seconded by Alderman Fulkerson. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Requested a motion to approve entering into an Opioid litigation agreement with the law firms of Khowaja Law Firm, LLC; and, Kralovec, Jambois & Schwartz. Alderman Kramarski moved to approve the agreement seconded by Alderman McGovern. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

B. Clerk: No Report.

C. Treasurer: Delivered the Treasurer's Report for the month ending January 31, 2019:

General Fund:

Beginning cash balance \$3,045,558.96  
Revenues \$763,689.13  
Expenses \$832,576.62  
Other \$228,454.33  
Ending cash balance \$2,748,217.14

Total of All Funds:

Beginning cash balance \$15,893,198.43  
Revenues \$1,406,988.65  
Expenses \$1,101,533.22  
Other \$810,817.31  
Ending cash balance \$15,387,836.55

Alderman Fulkerson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report seconded by Alderman Bylut. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

D. City Attorney: No Report

**VIII. COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman McGovern announced that Franklins now offers live music for its patrons.

**IX. CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL**

None

**X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. Finance—Chairperson Alderman Fulkerson:

- Alderman Fulkerson moved to approve the purchase of a financial software upgrade from Civic Systems in the amount of \$13,650.00 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the purchase was:

Ayes: (7) Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski,  
McGrogan, McGovern.

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

B. Public Safety—Chairperson Alderman McGovern: No Report

C. Municipal Grounds and Property—Chairperson Alderman Basso:

- Alderman Kramarski moved to adopt an Ordinance authorizing the sale at auction of the 1997 GMC Combination Sweeper Vactor vehicle seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to adopt the ordinance was:

Ayes: (7) Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski,  
McGrogan, McGovern.

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

D. Planning and Zoning—Chairperson Alderman Clifford: No Report

E. Recreation—Chairperson Alderman Key:

- Alderman Key moved to approve a proposal for the demolition of old farm structures at 127th & Feldners by LePretre Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$19,900.00 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the proposal was:

Ayes: (7) Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski,  
McGrogan, McGovern.

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve the purchase of 55 replacement pool deck chairs from Tropitone in the amount of \$13,900.43 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

Alderman Clifford requested that the chairs be covered when the pool is not in season. Alderman Key stated that the chairs would be covered.

On roll call, the motion to approve the purchase was:

Ayes: (7) Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski,  
McGrogan, McGovern.

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve the re-issue of a bid invitation for the 2019 Public Swimming Pool Improvements Project to replace concrete pool deck sections seconded by Alderman Bylut. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

F. Roads and Construction—Chairperson Alderman Kramarski: Reported on snow removal from 11/15/18 to 2/12-19 which included 254 1/4 regular hours 424 overtime hours from Public Work and the application of 894 tons of salt and 3,020 gallons of brine.

- G. License, Permits & Franchises—Chairperson Alderman McGrogan: No Report
- H. Water and Sewer—Chairperson Alderman Bylut: No Report

**XI. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

- A. Business/Economic Development: Chairperson Alderman Key: Reported on a business incubator collaboration project with Trinity College called “Fusion 59” which encourages technology innovation and business development. The CEO of 1871 (a Chicago-based organization which specializes in business innovation) will address the College and City on 3/13 to discuss this project.
- B. Ad Hoc Cable TV: Chairperson Alderman Fulkerson: No Report

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

Alderman McGrogan stated that the waste pick-up service should circulate a mailer to the residents which indicates proper items for recycling.

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**XIV. CITIZENS ASKING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EVENING’S BUSINESS**

None

**XV. CLOSED SESSION**

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:20 p.m. the Mayor requested a motion to adjourn that passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**PALOS HEIGHTS CITY CLERK**

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Thomas A. Kantas

Date