

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE, KENDALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS,  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
800 GAME FARM ROAD ON  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018**

Mayor Golinski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Clerk Warren called the roll.

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| Ward I   | Koch        | Present |
|          | Colosimo    | Present |
| Ward II  | Milschewski | Present |
|          | Plocher     | Present |
| Ward III | Frieders    | Present |
|          | Funkhouser  | Present |
| Ward IV  | Tarulis     | Present |
|          | Peterson    | Present |

Also present: City Clerk Warren, City Attorney Orr, City Administrator Olson, Police Chief Hart, Deputy Chief of Police Klingel, Public Works Director Dhuse, Finance Director Fredrickson, EEI Engineer Morrison, Community Development Director Barksdale-Noble, Director of Parks and Recreation Evans, Assistant City Administrator Willrett

**QUORUM**

A quorum was established.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Employee Appreciation of Service**

Mayor Golinski stated there are several employee appreciation service awards to give out tonight. There are two officers and two employees from Public Works.

Police Chief Hart gave the work background of Police Officer Chris Jeka and Police Officer Kyle Davis. Mayor Golinski thanked the officers. He read and presented Officer Jeka and Officer Davis with a certificate of Employee Appreciation of Service.

Mayor Golinski called Public Works employees Matt Seng and Tom Soelke to the front. Public Works Director Dhuse thanked the two employees. He then gave work background on Tom Soelke and discussed his current work contribution to the City of Yorkville. Public Works Director Dhuse stated that he looks forward to many more years of working with Tom Soelke. Public Works Director Dhuse stated Matt Seng, twenty years, you made it. Congratulations. He then gave the work background on Matt Seng, and addressed his current work contribution to the City of Yorkville. Public Works Director Dhuse hopes that Matt Seng has a long career with the City's Public Works department. Mayor Golinski thanked Tom Soelke and Matt Seng for all their contribution to the City. Mayor Golinski presented them both with a certificate of employee appreciation of service.

**Eagle Scout Recognition**

Mayor Golinski had one more presentation that he added at the last minute. He wanted to recognize Tyler Middendorf for earning the title of Eagle Scout. Before Mayor Golinski called him up, he read the significance of the Eagle Scout rank. Mayor Golinski called Tyler Middendorf to the front. Mayor Golinski talked about how long he has known Tyler Middendorf and stated that he was proud of him. Mayor Golinski stated that his Eagle Scout project was working on the Chapel on the Green. Tyler Middendorf spoke about his Eagle Scout project. On behalf of the City of Yorkville, Mayor Golinski presented Tyler Middendorf with an Eagle Scout plaque, and stated to keep up the good work.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Resolution 2018-29** to Induce the Redevelopment of Certain Properties within the Yorkville Downtown Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area – *authorize Mayor and City Clerk to execute.*(EDC 2018-88)

Mayor Golinski entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. So moved by Alderman Colosimo; seconded by Alderman Koch.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-7 Nays-0 Abstain-1  
Colosimo-aye, Milschewski-abstain, Tarulis-aye, Frieders-aye,  
Funkhouser-aye, Koch-aye, Peterson-aye, Plocher -aye

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

1. Minutes of the Special City Council – November 10, 2018
2. Minutes of the Regular City Council – November 13, 2018
3. Minutes of the Regular City Council – November 27, 2018

Mayor Golinski entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the special City Council meeting of November 10, 2018, and regular City Council meetings of November 13, 2018 and November 27, 2018 as presented. So moved by Alderman Peterson; seconded by Alderman Koch.

Minutes approved unanimously by a viva voce vote

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Mayor Golinski stated that the bills were \$1,900,005.65.

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**REPORTS**

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**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Meeting Schedule for 2019  
(CC 2018-58)**

Mayor Golinski entertained a motion to approve the meeting schedule for 2019 as presented. So moved by Alderman Milschewski; seconded by Alderman Frieders.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0  
Milschewski-aye, Peterson-aye, Koch-aye, Plocher -aye,  
Frieders-aye, Tarulis-aye, Colosimo-aye, Funkhouser-aye

**Resolution 2018-30**

**Approving a Revised Salary Schedule and Step Increase  
(CC 2018-59)**

Mayor Golinski entertained a motion to approve a resolution approving a revised salary schedule and step increase and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute. So moved by Alderman Frieders; seconded by Alderman Milschewski.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0  
Peterson-aye, Koch-aye, Plocher-aye, Frieders-aye,  
Tarulis-aye, Colosimo-aye, Funkhouser-aye, Milschewski-aye

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**PARK BOARD**

No report.

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

**Ordinance 2018-77**

**Approving a Special Use for a Solar Farm with  
Freestanding Solar Energy Systems  
(PZC 2018-07)**

Mayor Golinski entertained a motion to approve an ordinance approving a special use for a solar farm with freestanding solar energy systems and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute. So moved by Alderman Colosimo; seconded by Alderman Frieders.

Dan Kramer spoke on behalf of the petitioner GRNE Solar. Mr. Kramer stated that there are representatives from Kendall County and Eric Peterman from GRNE Solar here this evening. Mr. Kramer

stated that at the Planning and Zoning Committee meeting received a unanimous vote, and he referenced two previous private meetings with residents. Eric Peterman, GRNE Solar, introduced himself and gave a quick background about his education in industrial engineering. He also gave a quick background on the company's inception. Mr. Peterman gave a power point presentation on GRNE Solar. Mayor Golinski thanked Mr. Peterman. He stated his main concern is how this will affect the neighboring residents of this proposed facility. Mr. Peterman heard opinions from the residents and took the opinions into consideration and instituted a number of changes. Mayor Golinski asked if he brought an example of a solar panel. Mr. Peterman showed the sample and gave specifics of the panel. Mayor Golinski asked how current is this technology and for an estimate of how long until it will be obsolete. Mr. Peterman stated that the panels are guaranteed by the manufacturer for twenty five years and covers replacement of any defective panels. He also anticipates their being changes in the technology over time, but most of the significant changes have taken place in the prior ten years. Mayor Golinski asked for the country of origin for the panels. Mr. Peterman stated that 90% of the panels were produced overseas. Mayor Golinski asked how current is this technology and for an estimate of how long until it will be obsolete. Mr. Peterman stated that the panels are guaranteed by the manufacturer for twenty five years and covers replacement of any defective panels. He also anticipates their being changes in the technology over time, but most of the significant changes have taken place in the prior ten years. Mayor Golinski asked for the country of origin for the panels. Mr. Peterman stated that 90% of the panels were produced overseas and noted that the USA is not a significant producer of these panels. He stated his company has installed over 10,000 panels and has only had two panels go bad. Alderman Frieders asked about the decision concerning the Sheriff's Department and Mayor Golinski stated that they were fine with a solid fence with a camera system and said that the Dialysis Center had a few questions. Alderman Koch stated the Dialysis Center would like to see landscaping and fencing on the west as it is proposed for the south edge of the property. Alderman Koch stated that there is additional undeveloped commercial property in the vicinity. Alderman Funkhouser asked about the systems movement and potential damage from wind storms. Mr. Peterman stated that the panels supports are rated for 120 mph and described the automated movements of the panel systems to maximize sun exposure and protection from wind gusts. Alderman Funkhouser suggested improvements to the landscaping design. Mr. Peterman stated that landscape design is not his forte but has taken into account feedback for the design. Alderman Funkhouser, Alderman Koch, Mayor Golinski, Development Director Barksdale-Noble and Attorney Kramer continued to discuss the landscaping plan, the liability insurance and bonding for this project. City Administrator Olson stated just two points of clarification concerning ordinances including the lease agreement and western boundary landscaping of the property. City Attorney Orr noted the importance of inclusion of these items to the ordinance. Development Director Barksdale-Noble gave clarification of the information to include. City Administrator Olson gave detail of the ordinance in question and the probable changes. City Attorney Orr requested a motion to amend the ordinance as discussed by Development Director Barksdale-Noble.

Alderman Colosimo made a motion to amend the motion subject to the landscaping treatment proposed along the southern fence line is continued northerly along the western fence line of the solar field; seconded by Alderman Koch.

Mayor Golinski asked for a roll call vote on the amendment.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0  
Koch-aye, Plocher -aye, Frieders-aye, Tarulis-aye,  
Colosimo-aye, Funkhouser-aye, Milschewski-aye, Peterson-aye

Mayor Golinski stated back to the original amended motion.

Alderman Funkhouser had a question regarding the maintenance for the turf on the site. Attorney Kramer answered him. Mayor Golinski asked how will the energy be distributed among the buildings and what percentage of energy while it provide. Mr. Peterman stated the energy is going to three different buildings and will provide approximately half of the energy needed.

Mayor Golinski stated now for a roll call vote on the amended motion.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0  
Plocher-aye, Frieders-aye, Tarulis-aye, Colosimo-aye,  
Funkhouser-aye, Milschewski-aye, Peterson-aye, Koch-aye

### **CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

No report.

### **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

**Minutes**

City Clerk Warren asked that those choosing to speak would speak a little louder and clearer so she could make sure the minutes are accurate.

**COMMUNITY & LIAISON REPORT**

No report.

**STAFF REPORT**

No report.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

**RTA**

Mayor Golinski stated that he is going downtown tomorrow, along with the Mayors of Oswego, Plano, and Montgomery, to meet with the RTA to get questions answered. It is a preliminary meeting and he hopes to get a lot of questions answered.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Golinski stated meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:



Beth Warren,  
City Clerk, City of Yorkville, Illinois



