

# PLANO CITY COUNCIL MINUTES April 22, 2024

A motion was made by Alderman Mulliner, seconded by Alderman Johns, to open the Public Hearing for the FY '25 Original Budget, at 6:00 p.m. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

There were no comments made during this public hearing.

A motion was made by Alderman Nadeau, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to close the Public Hearing for the FY '25 Original Budget, at 6:03 p.m. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

The regular meeting of the Plano City Council was called to order on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 6:03 p.m., by Mayor Michael Rennels in the Council Room at City Hall. Mayor Rennels led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Steve DeBolt	Present	John Fawver	Absent
Kathy Wickens	Present	Jamal Williams	Absent
Tommy Johns	Present	Barb Nadeau	Present
Scott Mulliner	Present	Mark Swoboda	Present

There was a quorum.

## MINUTES:

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Swoboda, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 8, 2024. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

## AGENDA:

A motion was made by Alderman Swoboda, seconded by Alderman Nadeau, to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of April 22, 2024. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

## WARRANTS:

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Johns, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated April 15, 2024 in the amount of \$342.00.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, Johns, DeBolt, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated April 22, 2024 in the amount of \$167,910.37.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

## WAGE REPORT:

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve the wage report dated March 2024 in the amount of \$357,797.30.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Guests and members of the press were welcomed by Mayor Rennels.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS:** none

**MAYOR'S REPORT: Michael Rennels**

Mayor Rennels read a proclamation for Motorcycle Awareness Month, which is May of 2024.

Mayor Rennels gave a summary of an event that happened on Christmas Eve 1955. Howard Hatcher found a deceased baby on his property. Alderman Wickens said this was her grandfather, and she continued the story. The baby has never been identified. There will be a service for the unknown baby girl at the Little Rock Township cemetery tomorrow, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 10:30 a.m.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Martin Shanahan Jr.**

Marty said he and Mayor Rennels went to the Illinois Municipal League Lobby Day on April 17, 2024. They heard presentations and received a large package of information. They heard a lot of discussions, including ones on the elimination of the grocery tax for municipalities and on crime free housing. He said that Mayor Rennels was able to talk to a Senate Staffer for 15 minutes, which is a long time to talk to a staffer. Marty said they were busy but it was very informative.

**PLANO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Tiffany Forristall**

Tiffany said they have a big event this coming weekend downtown Plano, for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Derby Pub Crawl from 2:00-6:00 p.m. There was a ribbon cutting this afternoon for Cielo Tacos which just opened. They have begun planning for their June 27, 2024 Caddy Shack event.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: William Thomas**

**Ordinance #2024-18: An ordinance to increase the water and sewer rates**

A motion was made by Alderman Swoboda, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve an ordinance amending Title 7 Chapter 4 Section 7-4-1 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano rates and charges for use of combined waterworks and sewerage system. Attorney Thomas said this ordinance lays out some history of the water and sewer rates, starting in 2011. This rate increase will commence on May 1, 2024. Alderman Johns said he was not at the last meeting, but the city has done a good job with receiving \$528,000 in grants and other money. He is glad that these rates are being looked at from year to year, and wanted to have a 7% increase in the water rate and 3% in the sewer.

Alderman Wickens asked a few questions. She asked if this will be reviewed once a year. Mayor Rennels said yes. She asked if the seniors' bills would not be changing, and Mayor said no, they will not change. She also asked about the increase percentages. Mayor said last year was a 10% increase for both water and sewer, but this year, the water funds need more help. This is the reason the water rate increase is higher than the sewer. Both the water and sewer funds are their own entities, not supported by tax money, but by fees on the utility bill. The fees collected go towards operations of these two systems.

Alderman Nadeau said she really appreciated reviewing these rates yearly. She said she thinks it is important for citizens to know why there are reviewing these also.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Swoboda, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

**Ordinance #2024-19: An ordinance for the FY '25 Original Budget**

A motion was made by Alderman Mulliner, seconded by Alderman Swoboda, to approve an ordinance adopting the budget for all corporate purposes of the City of Plano, Kendall County, Illinois, in lieu of appropriations ordinance, for the fiscal year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, A.D., 2024, and ending on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D., 2025

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Mulliner, Swoboda, DeBolt, Johns, Nadeau, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

**Ordinance #2024-20: An ordinance to increase Class G liquor licenses**

A motion was made by Alderman Johns, seconded by Alderman Mulliner, to approve an ordinance amending Title 3 Chapter 2 Section 3-2-7 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano, to increase the number of Class G liquor licenses from 2 to 3 (Ivana's Café).

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Johns, Mulliner, DeBolt, Nadeau, Swoboda, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

**Resolution #2024-06: A resolution for the 2024 Non-MFT Road Program**

A motion was made by Alderman DeBolt, seconded by Alderman Nadeau, to approve a resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement by and between the City of Plano and HR Green, Inc. for the 2024 Non-MFT Road Program, for an amount not to exceed \$54,022.57. Karl Tisberger said at the last meeting, there was a question about Exhibit B. Karl said that Exhibit B is included in Exhibit A, but is also on its own page to show the break downs for visits, engineering, and construction.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": DeBolt, Nadeau, Johns, Mulliner, Swoboda, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent: Fawver, Williams

Motion passed.

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT: Carin Martin, Deputy Clerk**

The sales and related taxes for February 2024 were in the amount of \$211,285.05.

The current MFT unobligated balance for February 2024 is in the amount of \$1,781,689.23.

**CITY TREASURER'S REPORT: Zoila Gomez**

The February 2024 Treasurer's report for all funds is in the amount of \$11,954,096.48.

The total disbursements for February 2024 were in the amount of \$1,212,286.07.

The February 2024 Revenue and Expenditure report was attached.

Zoila thanked the Department Heads, Aldermen, Mayor Rennels, and Marty Shanahan for their help with the budget and approving it tonight.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: Norm Allison-nothing**

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: D. Boyer-absent, J. Beyer-absent, K. Tisberger**

Marty Shanahan said he will be talking about a sewer repair at 317 W. Dearborn during tonight's COW meeting.

**DIRECTOR OF BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING'S REPORT: Jeff Sobotka**

Jeff gave an update from the Plan Commission. There was a special use petition turned in, but was not heard at the April 15, 2024 meeting, because the petitioner was not ready. Hopefully, this will be heard at the June 2024 Plan Commission meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE/HEALTH & SAFETY: Alderman Mulliner-nothing**

**BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND ZONING: Alderman Williams-absent**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Fawver-absent**

**FINANCE: Alderman Wickens**

Alderman Wickens called a meeting for May 13, 2024 at 5:15 p.m.

**PARKS: Alderman Johns**

Alderman Johns gave an update on the city's parks. He said the Plano Middle School has requested use of Foli Park on September 5<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. On June 15, 2024, there will be a fishing day at Foli Park, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. This is a free fishing day, with poles and bait available.

**PERSONNEL & INSURANCE: Alderman Swoboda-nothing**

**SPECIAL EVENTS: Alderman Nadeau-nothing**

**STREETS & UTILITIES: Alderman DeBolt**

Alderman DeBolt congratulated the Reapers Track team for being ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in the state. He said they are doing well, and his son is the coach of both the track and cross-country teams.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS: none**

**CLOSED SESSION: none**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Alderman DeBolt, seconded by Alderman Swoboda, to adjourn. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Carin Martin  
Deputy Clerk