MEETING MINUTES
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
Monday March 7, 2011
7:00 p.m.
Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, Council Chambers

Members Present: Ald. Holmes, Fiske, Grover and Tendam

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Marty Lyons, Bob Dorneker, Sol Anderson, Tom Anger, Sergeant Hearts-Glass, Patrice Quehl, Sara Gliesmann, Arica Barton, Mary Johns, Nicola Whyte, Commander Aretha Heartley

Presiding Member: Ald. Grover

Declaration of Quorum
With a quorum present, Chairman Grover called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Citizen Comment
Sharon Eckersall 2519 Ashland stated during her tenure as Township Assessor the elected officials did make an attempt to gain IMRF benefits, which was denied. She felt if the current assessor is successful in attaining benefits then the other elected officials should also apply.

Ms. Wilson gave a brief report of updates of the Assessor’s office.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES of December 6, 2010
It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the February 7, 2011 meeting be approved. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as written 4-0.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Township February bills
It was moved and seconded to approve the Township of Evanston monthly bills. A voice vote was taken and the monthly bills were approved 4-0.

Chair Grover thanked Ms. Jean-Paul for the breakdown of staff time spent on administrative and programs. She asked for a further breakdown of direct services vs. administrative costs and to include in the next bills list a job description of the seven employees of the Township.
2011 Special Events Calendar
There are two new events scheduled for this year, the 5k turkey trot and the women’s 9k. The women’s 9k is still on hold for consideration due to the number of streets that would be closed for the event.

It was moved and seconded that the 2011 Special Events Calendar be approved. A voice vote was taken and approved 4-0.

Ordinance 5-O-11 Amending Title 7, “Public Ways” Chapter 8, ‘Trees and Shrubs” to Add Section 8, “Tree Preservation”
Staff suggestions were incorporated into the ordinance, Ald. Fiske suggested for continuity section 7-8-8-6: PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; B. Exceptions: #3 should read as follows;
City-Let Projects: Tree Permits will be required for all City-let projects which have been reviewed by the Parks/Forestry Division, but all permit fees will be waived.

It was moved and seconded that Ordinance 5-O-11 Amending Title 7, “Public Ways” Chapter 8, ‘Trees and Shrubs” to Add Section 8, “Tree Preservation” be approved. A voice vote was taken and approved 4-0.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Update on Citizen Review of Police Complaints
The update on citizen review of police complaints was accepted 4-0.

Youth Crime Part 2
Commander Aretha Hartley Supervisor of the Juvenile Bureau, Youth Services Bureau, Youth Outreach Program and Victims Services and her staff (Sarah Gliesman, Patrice Quehl, and Arica Barton) gave an oral report and a PowerPoint presentation of the various divisions’ roles.

Bob Devereux, Domincks Store Manager at 1910 Dempster St., stated this location has the highest rate of theft of the 80 stores in the Dominicks division. He noticed the thefts are more prevalent after school around 4:00 p.m. and on Fridays around 10:00 p.m.; the majority of thefts were perpetrated by a young adult.

Ald. Grover asked for a report at the anniversary of the passing of the truancy ordinance.

Township Assessor to Receive Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Benefits
Tom Anger, City Attorney, stated the reason information was absent from the packet was due to the Law Department’s need to gain direction from the committee. The committee requested documentation for review for an informed decision.

COMMUNICATION

City staff and Library Board Members are in the process of preparing a Memorandum of Understanding which will be presented to the committee in the near future.
ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was moved and seconded to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicola Whyte
Executive Secretary, Health Department