1. Convened at 6:33pm
2. ICON Business
    A. Regular business
        a. August Minutes presented in monthly meeting notice email
        b. Treasurer's Report
            1. $7,311.92 balance
                A. $1,500 expenditures (1/2 fee for Annual Meeting speaker)
                B. $0 deposits
        c. Approval of regular business
            1. No changes, approved as presented
    B. Annual Meeting
        a. Tickets available in person and online
        b. Flyers available
        c. Sponsorships available for the program
        d. Speaker subject recap
    C. Aldermanic Candidate forum
        a. January 7th and January 14th (updated to January 7th and January 10th to avoid interfering with the Governor's Inauguration Day)
        b. Location: South Side Christian Church
        c. Additional details forthcoming
        d. Topic ideas
            1. Zoning in older neighborhoods - protecting ordinances that protect our neighborhoods and communities
                A. Kurt DeWeese update: Bally Vaughn apartments
                    a. Petition defeated 6-5 (Mayor voted no in tie breaker)
                        1. Developers had entered into a contract to buy neighboring daycare and to convert a portion of the property to additional onsite parking
                        2. Since the petition was defeated, it would have to be "substantially different" in order to resubmit prior to the required 18-month wait time
                    b. Additional zoning-related issue that came up: the "grandfathering" ordinance ("Discontinuing of a non-conforming use")that does not allow a previously granted non-conforming use to remain more than 6 months (these apartments have been vacant for years)
                        1. Historic West Side Neighborhood Association (HWS) was primary in pushing that original ordinance
                        2. Some discussion amongst alderman to do away with the grandfathering to begin with, or conversely, to make it a longer time period
                    c. HWS anticipates the developers coming back with an updated plan, so this issue is not resolved
            2. City budget
                A. Leaves and branch pickup twice a year
                    a. Funds decreased overall
                B. City revenues are down and will likely continue to be so
                    a. Most recent budget was also very vague in terms of what would be cut specifically
                C. Waste haulers were provided an increase, but are not preemptively picking large items up

        a. They are being cited, from what we understand, but clearly it is not a deterrent
    3. Problem properties
        A. Committee looking at properties with 5-figure judgements (average of $47,000 - these fees cannot legally exceed $50,000)
            a. Corporation Counsel is down 2-3 attorneys
            b. Administrative Court fees are not sent to Collections (unlike the Treasurer's Office)
            c. Over $500,000 in fees assessed in 2017
                1. Bill is working on pulling together 2018 fees now
            d. CC stated that their goal is abatement, not deterrence
    4. Other questions?
        A. Comprehensive Plan implementation of neighborhood plans
3. Community Announcements/Input
    A. Community leadership group - Bob Gray (Citizen's Club) pulling this group together to focus on how community leaders can impact the community outside of the purview of government entities
    B. Iles Park garage sale Aug 27-28
    C. Land of Lincoln Economic Development Corporation first public meeting at UIS this Thursday
    D. Citizen's Club: Jennifer Gill presenting the District's facility improvement plan this Friday, 9/28 at 8am