

**Evanston City Council
Closed Session Minutes
Aldermanic Library
Monday, December 8, 2008**

- PRESENT:** Aldermen Bernstein, Holmes, Moran, Tisdahl, Rainey, Hansen, Wollin, Jean- Baptiste, Wynne
- STAFF:** Elke Tober-Purze
- GUESTS:** Heidi Voorhees, president, The PAR Group
- PRESIDING:** Mayor Lorraine H. Morton
- START:** 11:07 p.m.

Litigation

Interim First Corporation Council Elke Tober-Purze reported that the case Sharp v. City of Evanston had been settled for \$97,000.

Ms. Tober-Purze reported that in the Hotchkiss case there the demand was reduced to \$750,000. They have a good board-certified psychiatrist who reviewed the case documents and concluded that Patrick did indeed commit suicide.

The Chief of Police of is of the opinion that Patrick Hotchkiss did not exhibit signs of impairment when he was stopped at the intersection of Main St. and Dodge Ave. An hour's time passed before the fatal crash at Green Bay Rd. and McCormick Blvd.

Ms. Tober-Purze stated that the City of Evanston has a very strong defense in this case and that the firm is Ryan, Smolens & Jones.

Someone asked about the Eckersall cases (Diane Benjamin/Nash Castenada), Ms. Tober-Purze reported there had been a motion for summary judgment.

Personnel

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There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 p.m. by Mayor Morton.

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Deputy City Clerk

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