



City of SANDWICH, ILLINOIS

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

Budget Meeting

April 16, 2018 @ 6:00PM

MINUTES

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

Roll call was taken:

Present: Mayor Olson, City Clerk Ii, Aldermen Chmielewski, Kelleher, McMahon, O'Sullivan & Redden

Alderman Killey arrived at 6:30 PM

Absent: Aldermen Dell & Robinson

Also present: Department of Public Works / City Engineer Horak. Chief Bianchi & EMA Director Ciciora

Mayor Olson opened the meeting by adjusting numbers for the street department budget followed by police department increasing their line item for computer maintenance. Chief Bianchi reported that personnel will not increase over the next fiscal year, and that City will continue to maintain a dispatch center. He reported that the DeKalb County Sheriff's department will be erecting four (4) 200-300' for dispatching to be located in each direction of the County. It is proposed the tower for Sandwich, being the furthest south in DeKalb County, will be installed near Plano Molding on Duvick Avenue.

The police pension fund is underfunded by 30%, and projections are to be 90% funded in 2040. Mayor Olson noted that most municipalities are experiencing underfunded police pension funds. The City has been contributing \$280,000 - \$300,000 annually that is above the actuary projection. IMRF (Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund) is funded at 100%.

Alderman Redden reported a surplus in the budget although projects were not yet funded and a small number of open line items remained. Further, he believes the projected sales tax is underestimated. Chief Bianchi added, unlike the other departments, that he had not factored in an annual raise for non-union staff; additionally, costs to revamp the public safety building were not factored into the budget.

The next scheduled budget meeting will be on Monday, April 23rd at 7:30 PM, or immediately following the regular council meeting, whichever occurs later.

Audience Comments: None

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Council, **motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman Kelleher to adjourn the Budget Meeting at 6:53 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

/s/ Denise li – City Clerk