



# City of SANDWICH, ILLINOIS

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

## Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting

January 15, 2018 @ 7:05 PM

## MINUTES

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Roll call was taken:

**Present:** Mayor Olson, City Clerk Ii, Aldermen Dell, Kelleher, Killey, Redden & Robinson

**Also present:** Attorney Harrill, Department of Public Works / City Engineer Horak, City Treasurer Webber, Chief Bianchi & EMA Director Ciciora

**Absent:** Aldermen Chmielewski, McMahon & O'Sullivan

### Mayor Olson:

Metro-Net Presentation: Kathy Scheller, External Affairs for MetroNet, gave a sales presentation on the 100% fiber optic company based in Evansville, Indiana. The Company is entering the Illinois market by providing fiber optic internet, TV and telephone. They have been working with municipalities such as North Aurora, St. Charles, Batavia, Plainfield, Oswego, Montgomery and Yorkville. They hope to include Plano and Sandwich. Offering speeds from 100Mbps to 1 Gigabit, the Company would be in direct competition with Comcast. Mayor Olson noted that the City is part of the Southwest Fox Valley Consortium that works closely with Comcast.

Class "K" Liquor License Request: Present were Tonya Fetz, manager of Pinhedz Bowl in Yorkville, and Attorney John Cooney from Downers Grove. Ms. Fetz requested that the Council consider creating a new Class K liquor license for a new gaming lounge to be called "Annie's Coffee". She explained that the business would be owned by Brandon Partridge, who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Partridge has come before the board twice requesting that the City consider creating a new Class K liquor license. The new business would be selling wine and beer as well as serving pizzas and sandwiches. Alderman Dell wondered if the video gaming facilities in town have met the point of saturation. Numbers received from the State for the month of November seem to indicate as much. Council will discuss further when they have a full board present.

Tourism Committee will be meeting Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM in the Council Chambers. A representative from the Aurora Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (AACVB) will be present. Mayor Olson added that the AACV would also like to meet with the City Council at a future date.

Reduction of Monthly Meetings: During the Christmas holidays, the Council cancelled 2 meetings that seemed to indicate to that perhaps the Council did not need to meet weekly. Mayor Olson has noticed a trend in light agendas that seems to substantiate his perception of fewer meetings and asked for Council feedback. Alderman Kelleher was concerned on time sensitive issues, and Alderman Robinson felt that with the budget process soon to start that perhaps this inquiry should be readdressed in May after the budget has been passed and the start of the new fiscal year.

**Foster, Buick, Conklin, Lundgren & Tritt, LLC:** Alderman Robinson requested that an ordinance be created to amend the Municipal Code to include additional yield and stop signs for various intersections in town. He will see that the list is forward to Attorney Harrill.

**City Clerk li:** No report

**City Treasurer:** No report

**Director of Public Works / City Engineer Horak:**

Geotechnical Proposal for Main Street from Center to 2<sup>nd</sup> Reconstruction Project: Proposal received from Rubino Engineering Inc. for 1 soil boring as a lump sum of \$1,500.00.

Geotechnical Proposals for Main Street from 2<sup>nd</sup> to Pleasant Sanitary Sewer Project: Proposal received from Rubino Engineering Inc. for 7 soil borings as a lump sum of \$6,250.00.

Geotechnical Proposals for Water Main Replace Projects: Proposal received from Rubino Engineering Inc. for 13 soil borings as a lump sum of \$8,000.00. Engineer Horak added that the boring results from the three proposed projects are valid indefinitely should the City decide to delay a project.

Public Safety Complex Renovations: A proposal has been received from Etscheid, Duttlinger & Associates, Inc. for renovations at 1251 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The proposal consists of 'tasks' including survey requirements, soil boring staking, preliminary complex planning, stormwater management plan, engineering plans, construction staking & layout, and as-built utility survey. The total proposal for all tasks is \$38,500.00. This matter will be placed on next week's agenda for Council vote.

Request for Executive Session: Engineer Horak requested Executive Session at the end of the meeting under Section 2(c)(1) for personnel and also under Section 2(c)(2) concerning salary schedules.

Updates: The City experienced 6-7 water main breaks in the past week noting that some breaks took over 24 hours to repair. Additionally, with the recent snow melt compounded with rain, it was noted a 20% increase in the sanitary sewer flow.

**Chief Bianchi:** No report

**EMA** director, Tom Ciciora, reported that he will be attending an upcoming spotters training class in DeKalb

**Alderwoman Chiemlewski :** Absent

**Alderman Dell:** No report

**Alderman Kelleher** complimented the City's public works department for the excellent job of snow removal.

**Alderman Killey** advised that the next finance committee meeting will be January 15, 2018, immediately following the Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting.

**Alderman McMahon:** Absent

**Alderman O'Sullivan:** Absent

**Alderman Redden** also complimented public works department on repairs for the vast number of water main breaks due to the weather.

**Alderman Robinson:** No report

**New Business:** None

**Audience Comments:** None

### **Executive Session**

**Motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman Robinson to go into executive session at 8:00 PM, pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) to discuss the employment status of a specific employee of the public body, and under Section 2(c)(2) for deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees of the public body. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Kelleher, Killey, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried**

**Motion to return from Executive Session: Motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman Robinson to return to regular session at 8:20 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

### **Adjournment:**

**There being no further business to come before the Council, motion made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Redden to adjourn the Committee-of-the-Whole Council meeting at 8:20 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk