



City of **SANDWICH, ILLINOIS**

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting

April 16, 2018 @ 7:00 PM

MINUTES

Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll call was taken:

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

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

Absent: Aldermen Dell & Robinson; City Treasurer Webber

Public Hearing:

Motion made by Alderwoman Chmielewski to open the public hearing to consider granting a cable franchise agreement to CMN-RUS, Inc. d/b/a Metronet. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Killey. Motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

Metro-Net is a high-speed fiber provider that will provide service for computers, cable televisions, and telephone. Steve Jones, business manager for Metro-Net, was available to address questions. Based in Evansville, Indiana, Metro-Net currently provides service for Plainfield, Oswego, Montgomery, and under contract for Plano, Yorkville, Sycamore, and North Aurora. Construction work will commence this summer with fiber being offered to residents in 2019. Concern was raised to the volume of JULIE work that will be required, and the shortage of manpower on the City's part. There were no questions from the audience.

Alderman Redden moved to closed the public hearing at 7:19 PM. Alderwoman Killey seconded. Motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

Mayor Olson:

Resolution 18-03 entitled "Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Cable Television Franchise Agreement" was presented for review. A copy of the contract and resolution will be available at City Hall for inspection. This matter will be placed on next week's agenda for adoption.

Tourism Committee Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 18th at 7 PM in the Council Chambers.

Foster, Buick, Conklin, Lundgren & Tritt, LLC: No report

City Clerk Ij: No report

City Treasurer: Absent

Director of Public Works / City Engineer Horak:

PC2018-01 (400 N. Reimann Avenue): The Plan Commission has made a recommendation approving a special use permit for a concrete construction warehouse in an M-2 district by a vote of 5-0 at their April 10, 2018 regular meeting. Applicant, John A. Ferrario, was available to field questions by the Council. The building will be used to house equipment associated with Mr. Ferrario's cement business. Of the 14-acre parcel, half is being used for agricultural purposes. An ordinance will be placed on next week's agenda approving the special use.

Hydrant flushing will begin on Monday, April 23rd through Friday, April 27th between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm.

BUILD Incentive Program expires May 31, 2018 per Resolution 16-10. Council was in favor of not extending the program and to revisit at a later date.

2018 Sanitary Sewer System Conveyance Analysis: As a continued step toward addressing the City's flooding issues caused by heavy rains, Engineer Horak met with Engineering Enterprises, Inc. on April 12th. Areas of concentration are Main Street, Lafayette Street and Center Street. Phase 1 will consist of flow monitoring during the months of May & June with reporting available in October. Phase 2 will consist of the sewer system evaluation survey scheduled for August / September, 2019. The last phase, Rehabilitation, will occur during the 2020 construction season.

2018 Stormwater Conveyance Analysis: The stormwater issues were discussed at the same time as the sanitary sewer system. The analysis will cover ponding on Sandhurst Drive, ponding at the northwest corner of Latham and Arnold, and insufficient stormwater conveyance. This project is projected for May – October, 2018.

Electronic Recycling: Engineer Horak shared an e-mail from Fortune Group regarding the City's electronic recycling program. The initial program has been a joint collection with DeKalb County, and was recently discontinued. Fortune Group may be able to offer a similar program with associated costs, and with restrictions what is acceptable for recycling.

Chief Bianchi announced an open house for the proposed public safety building at 1251 E. 6th Street will be held on Friday, May 4th between the hours of 1-3 PM.

EMA: No report

Alderwoman Chiemlewski reported that she and Alderman O'Sullivan will not be present at the public hearing for the budget to be held on Thursday, April 26th. There has been some discussion that the budget may be passed that evening after the public hearing, and she questioned if a 2/3 vote will be required. Attorney Buick said he would recheck but believed not.

Alderman Dell: Absent

Alderman Kelleher: No report

Alderman Killey advised that the finance committee for this evening is cancelled due to lack of a quorum and has been rescheduled for Monday, April 23rd at 6:30 PM.

Alderman McMahon: No report

Alderman O'Sullivan: No report

Alderman Redden reiterated that the final budget meeting will be Monday, April 23rd, and the public hearing and possible passage of the budget will be held on Thursday, April 26th. Although the budget currently reflects a surplus, there are many lines items that remain blank or questionable. Alderwoman Chmielewski asked if the City could request an extension on passing the budget.

Alderman Robinson: Absent

New Business: None

Audience Comments: None

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Council, **motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderwoman Chmielewski to adjourn the Committee-of-the-Whole Council meeting at 7:48 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk