



# City of SANDWICH, ILLINOIS

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

## Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting

May 7, 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, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon & Redden

Alderman Robinson arrived at 7:02 PM

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

**Absent:** City Treasurer Webber

### Mayor Olson:

Gjovik Ford Reconstruction Discussion: Scott Gjovik, accompanied with representatives from his architect and construction companies, made a presentation proposing \$750,000 in sales tax rebates spanning 10 years, and that all building permits and utility connections for the new dealership be waived by the City. Citing that the dealership has outgrown its present facility, Gjovik is planning a 32,800 square foot \$6.5 million construction that will be high tech and customer friendly. The current facility will remain intact and used for storage, repairs and quick lanes. Gjovik continued that the proposal is a win-win adding that staff will increase by 6-10 employees and will bring more business into the City. Discussions have not been limited to Sandwich, however, as Gjovik indicated he could relocate to Plano or the Yorkville area to obtain the sales tax incentive he is seeking. Ford Motor Company has pledged \$750,000 toward the new construction.

Poppy Days Proclamation was read by Mayor Olson declaring May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> as "Poppy Days". He encouraged citizens to pay tribute to those that have made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom by wearing the Memorial Poppy on these days.

Motorcycle Awareness Month Proclamation: Mayor Olson declared May as "Motorcycle Awareness Month" by recognizing 31 years of ABATE of Illinois Inc. and their role promoting motorcycle safety, education and awareness.

Lions Club International Proclamation: Mayor Olson and Council will be welcoming President Naresh Aggarwal of India and his officers to Sandwich on Wednesday. They will be greeted with a police escort from Oakbrook to Timber Creek. Mayor Olson declared Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> as Lions Club International Day.

DoJo Dynamics Proclamation: Scott Francis, owner of DoJo Dynamics will be honored at an award dinner on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, for his hard work and dedication. The Mayor will prepare a Proclamation for the ceremony, and requested a Council member to represent the City as he will be out of town.

Raffle License Discussion: Council had not reviewed the proposed Ordinance; however, Mayor distributed proposed language that will become part of the Ordinance. The proposed Ordinance will mirror that of Plano's raffle license.

Agency Access Agreement – DeKalb County & Sandwich: This matter will be placed on next week's agenda for discussion. Documentation was not available for review.

DeKalb Fiber Network Connection Agreement: Council had not received copies of the Agreement to review. This matter will be placed on next week's agenda for discussion.

Ward 3 Alderman Vacancy: Former Alderman Jeff O'Sullivan has relocated to Virginia. Mayor Olson is seeking candidates that would be interested in the position until Spring, 2019, when the vacancy will be open for election. Alderman Dell reminded the audience that Ward 3 encompasses the southwest quadrant of the City west of Main Street and south of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

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

**City Clerk li:** No report

**City Treasurer:** Absent

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

Plan Commission regular meeting for Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to insufficient of notice to properties within 150' of the agenda property. The topic will be rescheduled for the June regular meeting.

2018 Planning Priorities Report: CMAP is scheduled to hold stakeholder meetings on May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> to discuss planning priorities. The meeting will consist of governmental agencies, schools, and merchants seeking ideas for the report.

2018 Sanitary Sewer System Conveyance Analysis – Phase 1: Flow monitoring devices are scheduled to be installed this week, and the monitoring will last for 8 weeks.

BUILD Incentive Program expires May 31, 2018 per Resolution 16-10. Council does not favor extending the program at this time.

Downtown Street Lighting Discussion: Engineer Horak had requested an updated project report from Hampton, Lenzini & Renwick pertaining to the downtown area street lighting improvements. The original report was dated October, 1999. The proposed cost for the updated project would be \$1.2 million, and Engineer Horak suggested the Council start budgeting by setting funds aside annually. After the Council has had an opportunity to review the updated proposal, this matter will be placed on the agenda in two weeks.

**Chief Bianchi**: No report

**EMA**: No report

**Alderwoman Chiemlewski** announced that Shannon McGregor will be recognized at the May 29<sup>th</sup> Council meeting for her Girl Scout achievement of attaining the Gold Award. The Gold Award is the Girl Scout equivalency to the Boy Scouts Eagle Award.

**Alderman Dell**: No report

**Alderman Kelleher** questioned the legality of a Plano business selling used cars on an empty lot on Route 34. He expressed displeasure calling it “morally wrong” when told it was not illegal and that sales tax money would go to Plano instead of Sandwich.

**Alderwoman Killey** advised that the finance committee would meet immediately following this evenings Council meeting.

**Alderman McMahon**: No report

**Alderman Redden**: No report

**Alderman Robinson** reported that the Council would hold an Executive Session next week on the FOP union contract negotiations.

**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 Alderman Robinson to adjourn the Committee-of-the-Whole Council meeting at 8:28 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk