



City of SANDWICH, ILLINOIS

City Hall Annex • 128 East Railroad Street

Regular Council Meeting

July 11, 2016 at 7pm

MINUTES

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

Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in memoriam for the police officers that senselessly lost their lives in Dallas.

Roll call was taken:

Present: Mayor Olson, City Clerk Li, Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden, Robinson & Scheidecker

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

Absent: City Treasurer Webber

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman McMahon to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 27, 2016 and the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of June 20, 2016 and July 5, 2016. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Abstained: Alderman Scheidecker Motion carried

Approval of July Semi-Monthly Bills

Motion was made by Alderwoman Killey, and seconded by Alderman Moran, approving payment of the July semi-monthly bills in the total amount of \$ 79,419.83. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden, Robinson & Scheidecker Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Mayor Olson

Honorary Proclamation: Mayor Olson read a proclamation declaring Friday, July 15th "Starr Frederick Day" on her retirement from the Sandwich Park District after 24 years of dedication and service. She has served as Board Treasurer and Secretary.

PTAX Application 300: The Mayor explained this is a form that must be filed on the purchase of 1251 E. 6th Street for non-homestead property exemption. The closing on the property was June 17, 2016. Certified notice must be given to taxing bodies within the community advising that the City has purchased the property.

National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 2nd at Veterans Park in downtown Sandwich. The event, hosted by the City of Sandwich, Sandwich Police Department and Sandwich Fire Department, will consist of a 5-K run, car show, crime and safety preventative exhibits, and food vendors. The Sandwich Police Benevolent Fund will be assisting. All proceeds will be donated to FVOA (Fox Valley Older Adults). Waiver of hawkers and food vendor fees was not discussed.

Foster, Buick, Conklin & Lundgren LLC Law Group – No report

City Clerk li – No report

City Treasurer Webber - Absent

Director of Public Works & City Engineer Horak

Plan Commission regular meeting for Tuesday, July 12th, 2016, has been canceled.

Brush Pickup for Ward 2 should be completed by tomorrow. The next scheduled brush pickup will be August 8th.

2016 Water Tower Painting Award: Engineer Horak made a recommendation to award the 750,000-gallon spheroid, exterior overcoat, wet interior repaint, dry interior partial repaint, and miscellaneous repairs (2016 water tower painting) project to L&T Painting, Inc of Shelby Township, MI in an amount of \$251,000.00. The 750,000-gallon tower is located on Duvick Avenue and will be receiving the exterior overcoat, wet interior repaint, dry interior partial repaint and miscellaneous repairs. The 300,000-gallon tower located on Green Street is having interior work and foundation repairs.

So moved by Alderman McMahon, and seconded by Alderman Dell. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden, Robinson & Scheidecker Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Clark Street WTP (Water Treatment Plant) Emergency Generator: Engineer Horak recommended approval of Change Order #1 that revises the Substantial Completion Date to December 9, 2016.

Motion made by Alderman Scheidecker, and seconded by Alderman McMahon. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden, Robinson & Scheidecker Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Engineer Horak made a recommendation to issue the Notice to Proceed to Halm Electrical Contracting, Inc.

So moved by Alderman McMahon, and seconded by Alderman Scheidecker. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden, Robinson & Scheidecker Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Hall Street Lofts - Update: Engineer Horak advised that the building permit was issued earlier in the day to the contractor applicant. The City is awaiting a written response to the applicant's request for reduction in building permit fees. Alderman Redden felt the fee structure should have been resolved prior to a building permit being issued. He elaborated that because no annexation agreement is required for compensation, the City will endure costs associated with additional traffic, school enrollment will increase, and the location may require additional police presence. Alderwoman Killey concurred with Alderman Redden's assessment noting the schools are very concerned on the impact the project will have on the school district. The developer has declined to pay the voluntary fees that included impact fees to the schools, fire protection district, and the City. Mayor Olson felt it is in the best interest of the City to keep the project progressing.

Chief Bianchi requested a motion to purchase a new SUV for the K-9 program at a cost of \$29,500.00. Over \$28,000.00 was raised to equip the new SUV and dog training. He added that the purchase of a replacement squad car will be addressed at a future date.

Motion made by Alderman Moran approving the purchase of a SUV to be used for the K-9 program at a cost of \$29,500.00. Motion was seconded by Alderman Scheidecker. Aye: Aldermen Dell, Fraser, Killey, McMahon, Moran, Redden, Robinson & Scheidecker Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

EMA Director Ciciora explained that the Sandy Bluff siren had lost power resulting in a failed test, and the problem is easily rectified once electricity is restored to a connecting lift station. The Duvick siren is inoperable and parts may no longer be available for the 1950's relic. A replacement siren will cost approximately \$18,556.45. Director Ciciora cautioned the Council that the fairgrounds' siren is of the same vintage, and it is a matter of time before that siren will need replacement. Delivery time is approximately eight (8) weeks and will require a couple of days for installation. A straw poll of hands directed EMA Director Ciciora to proceed in replacing the siren. Council will confirm the purchase at the next regular meeting on July 25th.

Alderman Dell indicated that the City has approximately \$25,000.00 in the tourism fund. He would like to see the City work in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce to create a program where these funds could be utilized to promote Sandwich. The City's portion of the monthly contribution received from the State is approximately \$220.00.

Alderman Fraser – No report

Alderwoman Killey reported that the next finance committee will be held on Tuesday, July 19th at 9:30 AM at City Hall.

Alderman McMahon – No report

Alderman Moran – No report

Alderman Redden – No report

Alderman Robinson – No report

Alderman Scheidecker – No report

New Business – None

Audience Comments – None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, **motion made by Alderman Robison and seconded by Alderman Redden to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:50 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

/s/ Denise li, City Clerk