



City of SANDWICH, ILLINOIS

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

Regular Council Meeting
August 28th, 2017 at 7pm

MINUTES

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Prior to the start of meeting, Mayor Olson requested a moment of silence for the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas, as well as two residents that recently passed, Tom Merkel and John "Swanie" Swanson.

Roll call was taken:

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

Also present: Attorney Thompson, Director of Public Works Horak, Chief Bianchi & EMA Director Ciciora

City Treasurer arrived at 7:06 PM

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Alderman Kelleher and seconded by Alderman O'Sullivan to approve the Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting for August 21st, 2017. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O'Sullivan & Redden Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Alderman Robinson arrived at 7:03 PM

Approval of August Semi-Monthly Bills

Motion was made by Alderwoman Killey, and seconded by Alderman Kelleher approving payment of the August semi-monthly bills in the total amount of \$258,575.14. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O'Sullivan, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Mayor Olson

Ordinance 2017-14 entitled "An Ordinance Adopting Section 74-172 Parking of Commercial or Recreational Vehicles, Trailers, or Truck, Tractors Restricted, to Chapter 74 Traffic and Vehicles of

the Municipal Code in the City of Sandwich” was presented for first reading. The Ordinance would restrict parking of commercial and recreational vehicles or trailers on public streets. Council indicated that more discussion is required prior to passage of the ordinance.

Financial Assistant Applications: Mayor Olson reported that 13 applications have been received, and that Friday (September 1st) will be the last day applications will be accepted.

Announcement: Next Monday is Labor Day. The regularly scheduled COW meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5th at 7:00 PM. Opening ceremony for the 130th Sandwich Fair will be held at 9 AM on Wednesday, September 6th.

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

City Clerk Li reported that the electrical aggregation program will be resuming, and will take effect the end of September. Letters will be mailed to residents advising of the new electrical supplier and rate. Residents are automatically enrolled in the program, and instructions will be provided to “opt out” if the resident chooses. Unlike the previous program that was discontinued in April, 2017, when Com Ed’s supplier rates dipped lower than the aggregation program, the rates under the new program are guaranteed to be lower than that offered by ComEd. Clerk Li stressed that if there are any questions by the Council or their constituents, they are encouraged to contact her for further explanation.

City Treasurer: No report

Director of Public Works & City Engineer Horak:

Bush pickup for Ward 4 will be conducted this week.

2017 Lisbon Street – Green to Main Reconstruction Project: Engineer Horak recommended approval of the East and On-Street Parking Agreement with Willow Crest Building, LLC.

So moved by Alderman Redden, and seconded by Alderman Robinson. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O’Sullivan, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Engineer Horak recommended approval of a construction material testing agreement with Testing Service Corporation of DeKalb, IL with a proposed not-to-exceed limit of \$4,500.00.

Motion made by Alderman Redden approving a construction material testing agreement not to exceed \$4,500.00. Motion was seconded by Alderman Kelleher. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O’Sullivan, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Engineer Horak recommended approval of a change order dated August 24, 2017 to undercut unsuitable soils and replace with aggregate in the south parking area with total unit pricing of \$7,200.00. Engineer Horak also advised that with the removal of a utility pole, there may be room for additional 2-3 diagonal parking spaces.

So moved by Alderman Redden. Motion was seconded by Alderman Robinson. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O'Sullivan, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

2017 Street Maintenance Project (17-00000-01-GM): Main Street, between Church and Railroad Streets, was temporarily closed today to complete patching of the roadway. That portion of Main Street is now open to traffic.

2017 Center Street Lighting Project: Engineer made a recommendation for approval of a change order dated August 24, 2017 to replace damaged conduit across Main Street with a total unit pricing of \$7,200.00. Gensini Excavating of Hennepin, IL failed to install necessary conduit connect for the street lights at the time Center Street was upgraded. Council asked if the City had legal recourse against the company noting that the constant construction errors on this project would tarnish the company's reputation. Recovery costs will be turned over to the City's attorney to pursue.

Motion made by Alderman Redden, and seconded by Alderman Kelleher, approving a August 24, 2017 change order to replaced damaged conduit at a cost of \$7,200.00. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

2017 6th Street Water Main Project: Status on the proposed easement agreement is being drafted by the City attorney. Notice to Bidders will appear in this week's Sandwich Record for bid openings on September 13, 2017 at 10:00 AM.

Fox River Study Group Meeting is scheduled for August 31st, 2017 at 9 AM at Fox Metro Water Reclamation District in Oswego, IL. Sewer & Street Superintendent Pruski will be attending.

Chief Bianchi reminded the Council of the upcoming DARE golf outing to be held on Thursday, August 31st.

EMA Director Ciciora: No report

Aldерwoman Chmielewski: No report

Alderman Dell: No report

Alderman Kelleher: No report

Aldерwoman Killey announced that the next finance committee meeting will be on Tuesday , September 5th, immediately following the COW meeting.

Alderman McMahon: No report

Alderman O'Sullivan: No report

Alderman Redden: No report

Alderman Robinson : No report

Audience Comments: Sandhurst Subdivision residents Mr. & Mrs. Rothlisberger and Carl Mills were present with a complaint of a dirt bike in their neighborhood that is denying residents privacy and quiet enjoyment of their property. Frustrated, they explained that their quality of life has been disrupted, and they are forced to stay indoors with windows shut to stop the disturbance. A signed petition was given to the Mayor asking that the City ban the use of dirt bikes in residential areas (attached).

New Business: None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, **motion made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Redden to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:35 PM. Motion carried unanimously by viva voce vote.**

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk