

**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SANDWICH, ILLINOIS – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
128 E. Railroad Street
October 12, 2009**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was taken:

Present: Mayor Thomas, Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Killey, Keene, McMahon, Moran & Robinson

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Alderman Hyatt and seconded by Alderman Beverley to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 28, 2009, as distributed. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay:0 Motion carried 8-0

Lions Club: Mayor Thomas felt the request by the Lions Club to waive certain permit fees to install handicapped ramps requires more discussion. He explained that zoning ordinance calls for more specifics, and a question has been raised regarding commercial property.

Mayor Thomas requested a motion to allow a used eyeglasses container be located between the Opera House and the City Hall Annex. The container, that is a former mailbox painted yellow and purple, will be maintained by the Lions Club.

Alderman Beverley made a motion to allow the Lions Club locate a used eyeglasses drop box between the Opera House and the City Hall Annex. Alderman Moran seconded. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried 8:0

Resolution 2009-06 “Trick or Treat” Hours: The resolution designates the “trick or treat” hours as 3 PM until 7 PM on October 31st. The resolution also bans leaf and/or brush burning on October 31st enabling those children with asthma, or other upper-respiratory conditions, to partake in the ‘trick or treating’, and also to insure that smoke will not hinder visibility at street crossings.

Alderman Beverley made a motion to accept Resolution 2009-06 entitled “Trick or Treat” Hours as presented. Alderman Dannewitz seconded. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried: 8:0

Mayor Thomas requested an Executive Session on land acquisition at the end of the Council Meeting.

Ordinance 2009-12 entitled “Ordinance Amending Section 93 of Chapter 74 of the Municipal Code of Sandwich, Illinois, requiring stops for specified traffic concerning Drew Avenue and Tara Street”.

Alderman Moran made a motion to accept Ordinance 2009-12 as presented, and Alderman McMahon seconded. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried 8:0

Ordinance 2009-14 entitled "Ordinance Amending Subparagraph (3) of Section 93 of Chapter 74 of the Municipal Code of Sandwich, Illinois, by adding a new (C): 4-way Stop Intersection on Ernest Drive and Dutch Street, all direction". This is the first reading of the ordinance.

Ordinance 2009-15 entitled "Ordinance Amending a. of (2) of (a) of Section 78 of Chapter 78 of the Municipal Code of Sandwich, Illinois, providing for an increase in water rates". Mayor Thomas explained this ordinance would amend the water rate but said more discussion is needed before passage.

City Engineer Horak said a public hearing for wind energy systems will be held at the regular meeting of the Plan Commission will be on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:30 PM in the City Annex.

Thomas Subdivision: City Engineer Horak explained that the developer is extending that portion of County Line Road per the annexation agreement. Engineering calls for the roadway to be 45 feet in width, but that the improved portion of County Line Road is presently 30 feet. The Developer wants to continue the Easterly 330 foot extension with a 30 foot width.

Alderman Keene made a motion to accept the 30' width extension of County Line Road in Thomas Subdivision, and Alderman Dannewitz seconded. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Keene, Killey, McMahon, and Moran Nay: Aldermen Hyatt and Robinson Motion carried 6:2

2009 Maintenance Contract: City Engineer Horak said he has received the final billing from Aurora Blacktop. He advised that payment would come from MFT funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 shown as line item 10.358.4701 of the current budget, and the remaining funds would come from Capital Outlay shown as line item 01.530.4701 in the amount of \$77,537.75.

Alderman Dannewitz made a motion to pay Aurora Blacktop in the amount of \$127,537.75, with funds coming from MFT in the amount of \$50,000.00, and the remaining balance coming from Capital Outlay in the amount of \$77,537.75. Alderman Beverley seconded. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran, and Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Railroad Street ARRA Project: City Engineer Horak requested an addendum to the engineering services agreement for design of new storm sewer and curb replacement. The fees for the additional design are not to exceed \$5,500.00.

Alderman Beverley made a motion to approve an additional \$5,500.00 for design of new storm sewer and curb replacement for the Railroad Street Project, and Alderman Keene seconded. Aye: Alderman Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Fairwinds Subdivision: City Engineer Horak notified the Council that a default notice will be sent to the developer of Fairwinds in the next few days. The completion date is November 29, 2009.

John Acardo, Republican candidate for DeKalb County Clerk and Recorder introduced himself, and said he would be available for questions after the Council meeting.

Chief Olson reported that the Sandwich High School Homecoming went well and without incident.

Superintendent Hake reported that the hydrants would be flushed on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Alderman Dannewitz reminded everyone that the purchase orders are due by noon on Thursday, October 15th.

Executive Session: Motion made by Alderman Dannewitz and seconded by Alderman Keene to go into executive session at 7:35 PM, pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) Purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body. Aye: Alderman Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran, and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried 8-0

Motion to return from Executive Session: Motion made by Alderman Moran and seconded by Alderman Beverley to return to the Regular meeting at 8:05 PM. Aye: Alderman Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran, and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried 8-0

Mayor Thomas requested a motion for the City to hire an appraiser to appraise a piece of ground for the City.

Alderman Keene made a motion that the City hires an appraiser to conduct appraisal work for the City, and **Alderman Beverley** seconded. Aye: Aldermen Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried 8:0

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion made by **Alderman Robinson** and seconded by **Alderman Beverley** to adjourn the regular Council meeting at 8:08 PM. Aye: Alderman Beverley, Dannewitz, Hyatt, Keene, Killey, McMahon, Moran and Robinson. Nay: 0 Motion carried 8-0

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Denise Li, City Clerk