



City of **SANDWICH, ILLINOIS**

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

Regular Council Meeting

October 22, 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 Dell, Chmielewski, Killey, Kelleher, McMahon, Redden & Robinson

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

Absent: City Treasurer Webber

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Alderman McMahon , and seconded by Alderman Kelleher, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 8, 2018; the Special Meeting of October 15, 2018; and the Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting of October 15, 2018. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Approval of October Semi-Monthly Bills:

Motion was made by Alderwoman Killey, and seconded by Alderman Kelleher approving payment of the October semi-monthly bills in the total amount of \$98,291.13. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Mayor Olson:

City Health / Dental / Eye Insurance: Insurance broker, Joe Roberts, provided an update on the City's health insurance program for staff. Insured by Blue Cross Blue Shield, the overall premium has decreased by 5% from last year. The current PPO program has been replaced with a new program that will increase the deductible, and some medications have increased in cost for both the HMO and PPO plans.

The new dental plan will also see a small reduction in premium. The new carrier, Unum, has same pricing whether in-network or out-of-network with a maximum \$1,500 annual benefit. The program also provides for carryover of unused benefits

Appointment of Shane Surratt: It is the recommendation of the Mayor to appoint Shane Surratt as Ward 3 Alderman until April 30, 2019. Oath of office will be held on Monday, November 5th.

So moved by Alderman Kelleher, and seconded by Alderman Robinson. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Appointment of Rick Flowers: It is the recommendation of the Mayor to appoint Rick Flowers to the Sandwich Police Pension Board.

Motion made Alderman Kelleher approving the appointment. Seconded by Alderman Dell. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Resolution 18-09 entitled "Resolution Designating Trick or Treat Hours": Halloween hours for October 31, 2018 will be from 4-7 PM. Additionally, there will be a city-wide ban of leaf / brush burning.

Motion made by Alderman Redden adopting Resolution 18-09, and seconded by Alderman Kelleher. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Executive Session under 2(c)(1) for personnel is requested at the end of the meeting.

Reminders: The second annual Bologna Day will be held on Wednesday, October 24th from 4-7 PM. No meeting will be held on Monday, October 29th due to being the 5th Monday of the month.

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

City Clerk Li reported that she had not received the financial reports from Lauterbach & Associates as anticipated. Representatives from the accounting firm will be at the November 5th meeting to address the Council.

Veterans Day falls on Sunday, November 11th but is observed on Monday, November 12th. It is also a legal holiday for city staff. In preparation of the City's meeting schedules last December, Clerk Li had labeled November 12th as a legal Regular Council Meeting. Council favored to keep the approved schedule intact with November 12th remaining a Regular Council Meeting.

City Treasurer Webber: Absent

Director of Public Works / City Engineer Horak:

Brush Pickup: This week is the final week for seasonal brush pickup in Ward 4. Because of the wind storm on Saturday, October 20th, the City will be conducting storm-damage pickup this week.

Hydrant Flushing will begin on Monday, October 22nd through Friday, October 26th, 2018.

Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) regular meeting of Tuesday, October 23, 2018 has been cancelled.

Leaf Vacuuming Schedule: The program will begin on Monday, October 29th, in Ward 1.

2018 Planning Priorities Report: The Report is being reviewed by staff and is planned to be completed by the end of the year.

Chief Bianchi: No report

EMA Ciciora: No report

Alderman Chiemlewski: Noting that there is a city-wide ban on leaf burning on Halloween, Alderman Chiemlewski wondered if there could also be a restriction around the school campus the weekend of November 10th & 11th for the annual craft show. Council felt it would be difficult to police designated days to burn leaves but favored reminding residents not to burn green or wet leaves.

Alderman Dell: No report

Alderman Kelleher: No report

Alderman Killey advised that the next finance committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 5th, 2018, immediately following the Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting.

Alderman McMahon: No report

Alderman Redden: No report

Alderman Robinson made an observation that some residents are mixing brush into leaf piles. He stressed that the City will not sort brush from leaves, and will refuse to collect the leaves.

New Business: None

Audience Comments: None

Executive Session

Motion made by Alderman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Redden to go into executive session at 7:24 PM, pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) "The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity". Aye: Aldermen Chiemlewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 7:0

Motion to return from Executive Session: **Motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman Robinson to return to regular session at 7:40 PM. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

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 7:43 PM. Motion carried unanimously by viva voce vote.**

/s/ Denise li – City Clerk