



City of **SANDWICH, ILLINOIS**

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

Regular Council Meeting
November 12, 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, Killey, Kelleher, McMahon, Redden, Robinson & Surratt

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Alderman McMahon, and seconded by Alderman Surratt, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2018 and the Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting of November 5, 2018. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden, Robinson & Surratt Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Approval of November Semi-Monthly Bills:

At the request of Alderman Redden, the invoice for Sandwich Freedom Hall in the amount of \$360.00 was removed from the approved bills for payment.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Killey, and seconded by Alderman Kelleher approving payment of the November semi-monthly bills, as amended, in the total amount of \$164,609.14. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden & Surratt Nay: Alderman Robinson Motion carried 7:1

Mayor Olson:

Ordinance 2018-19 entitled "An Ordinance Amending a Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment for the City of Sandwich, Illinois" presented for first reading. This Ordinance will be placed on the November 26th agenda for passage. The Ordinance will amend the City's harassment policy to comply with new State law PA 100-1066.

Tom Horak Employment Contract: Alderman Redden requested Executive Session under Section 2(c)(1) at the end of the meeting. No action will be taken.

Liquor License Request / Kurt Becker: Former Chicago Bear player, Kurt Becker, addressed the Council with a proposed business plan that would include a Class C-2 liquor license. A Class C-2 liquor license entitles the licensee to sell only beer and wine for on-premises consumption with the service and consumption of food on the premises. There are three available C-2 liquor licenses. Mr. Becker envisions an upscale coffee shop that will offer gambling. The sports-themed venue would offer sports betting once approved by Illinois, and chocolate shop. He is currently looking for a business location such as the former Hallmark Store.

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

City Clerk Ii: No report

City Treasurer Webber reported that a \$400,000 Certificate of Deposit matured on October 30, 2018. The \$400,000 CD is being reinvested for 5 years at 2.6% interest rate with FNB Omaha.

Director of Public Works / City Engineer Horak:

Illinois Safe Routes to Schools Program – Cycle 2019: Discussion held regarding the proposed SRTS Infrastructure Project Application for sidewalk and curb ramp improvements around W.W. Woodbury Elementary School including 3rd Street, Washington Street, Lafayette Street, and 2nd Street. The estimated cost is \$183,000.00 that is 100% reimbursable by IDOT. The application will be submitted by the end of the week.

Resolution 18-10 entitled “A Resolution of Support and Commitment for a Sidewalk Project Applied for under the Safe Routes to School Program”. Resolution is presented for a vote, and is part of the grant application process.

Motion made by Alderman Kelleher, and seconded by Alderwoman Chmielewski, to adopt Resolution 18-10 as presented. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden, Robinson & Surratt Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Plan Commission regular meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 has been cancelled.

DeKalb County Community Development Department Special Use Permit Petition SO-18-56: Summit Ridge Energy has submitted an application for a Special Use Permit for a 13-acre solar garden upon property approximately 2,000 feet north of the north line of Deerpath Woods P.U.D. (18-15-100-006 & 19-15-200-002) A public hearing will be held on Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 2:00 pm in the DeKalb County Administrative Center, Conference Room East, 110 E. Sycamore Street, Sycamore, IL. Engineer Horak further advised that this property falls within the City’s comprehensive plan for land reserves. The City can file a notice to object via the comprehensive plan.

Final 2018 Brush Pickup is scheduled for Thursday, November 29, 2018 and/or Friday, November 30, 2018. Residents are to call in to City Hall by noon on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 to be added to the list for the final brush pickup. The City crew will only pick up brush according to the compiled list. The brush shall be placed separately from any piles of leaves and shall follow the normal requirements of the usual brush program.

Section 70-84(f) of the Municipal Code – Application Fee for Construction of Utilities within the Right-of-Way: Metronet has made application for a permit to begin work in Sandhurst Subdivision on the installation of fiber optic cable. The City sets the cost of the permit that was open to discussion. A comparison of permit costs will be reviewed from neighboring communities, and the discussion was tabled until next week.

Suydam Road Midblock Crossing: The DeKalb County Highway Engineer has proposed the construction of a midblock sidewalk crossing at Fox Valley Older Adult Services to access the Sandwich Fairgrounds. The County is requesting financial participation from the City. Several aldermen felt the County should fund the crossing since they are proposing the construction, and that such a crossing would only be used 5 days out of the year. No action was taken.

Chief Bianchi: No report

EMA Ciciora: No report

Alderwoman Chiemlewski announced that local girl scouts collected over 2.32 tons of pumpkins at their “Pumpkin Smash” event held this past weekend. Keeping the pumpkins out of local landfills, they are smashed and used for compost.

Alderman Dell: No report

Alderman Kelleher: No report

Alderwoman Killey advised that the next finance committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 19th, 2018, immediately following the Committee-of-the-Whole Council Meeting.

Alderman McMahon: No report

Alderman Redden: No report

Alderman Robinson reported that Wendy Flowers has request a payout of 177 unused vacation hours marking her employment anniversary.

Alderman Surratt: No report

New Business: None

Audience Comments: None

Executive Session

Motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman McMahon to go into executive session at 8:04 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 Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, Redden, Robinson & Surratt Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

Motion to return from Executive Session: Motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderman Surratt to return to regular session at 8:27 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 8:29 PM. Motion carried unanimously by viva voce vote.

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk