



# City of **SANDWICH, ILLINOIS**

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

**Regular Council Meeting**  
*November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7pm*

## MINUTES

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was taken:

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

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

**Absent:** City Treasurer Webber

### Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Alderman McMahon and seconded by Alderman Kelleher, to approve minutes from the Regular meeting of October 23, 2017 and the Committee-of-the-Whole Council meetings of October 16, 2017 and November 6, 2017. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O'Sullivan, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

### Approval of November Semi-Monthly Bills

Motion was made by Alderwoman Killey, and seconded by Alderman Dell approving payment of the November semi-monthly bills in the total amount of \$214,298.32. Aye: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, Kelleher, Killey, McMahon, O'Sullivan, Redden & Robinson Nay:0 Motion carried 8:0

### Mayor Olson

DeKalb County Convention & Visitors Bureau (DCCVB): Debbie Armstrong, Executive Director of the DeKalb County Convention & Visitors Bureau, provided a presentation on the benefits of the DCCVB. Smaller than the Aurora Area Convention & Visitors Bureau, the DCCVB welcomes the City and looks forward to marketing to increase tourism. Mayor Olson is a sitting director on the board for the 2017-2018 years. The 5-year contract with the Aurora Area Convention & Visitors Bureau is due to expire in 2017.

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement: Mayor Olson requested a motion for approval for an agreement entitled “Intergovernmental Agreement Among the Sandwich Community Unit School District #430 and the City of Sandwich, for the Purchase of Gasoline and Diesel Fuels”. The agreement provides for the City to purchase fuel and share of facilities from the School District that will be more cost effective and eliminate the need for duplicate fueling facilities.

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

Ordinance 2017-15 entitled “Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code of Sandwich, Illinois, Providing an Increase of the Number of Class K Liquor Licenses”: The owners of the bowling alley want to open a coffee shop offering video gaming. By law, the facility must have a Class K liquor license. The City has 2 Class K liquor licenses, and by Ordinance 2017-15, will increase that number to 3 Class K liquor licenses to accommodate the request. There are already 2 other gaming facilities in Sandwich.

**Motion made by Alderman Redden to waive first reading. Alderman Kelleher seconded. Aye: Aldermen Kelleher, Killey, O’Sullivan & Redden Nay: Aldermen Chmielewski, Dell, McMahon & Robinson Because of a tie vote, Mayor Olson voted nay. Motion failed**

Several on the Council want to control the number of gaming facilities and issuance of liquor licenses. Neighboring non-home rule communities are experiencing similar scenarios that can only charge \$25.00 per machine for licensing purposes. A home-rule community can charge several hundred dollars for the same license. When the question arose if other established businesses were suffering because of a conceived appearance of an oversaturated market, Clerk Li provided numbers from the State Gaming Board. In September with the opening of a second gaming lounge, the following businesses experienced a decrease in wagering activity: Brothers Restaurant, Moose Lodge, Main Street Pub, Bull Moose, and Lily’s. Ordinance 2017-15 will be placed on the November 27<sup>th</sup> agenda for a vote.

Tourism Committee: A meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. It was noted that committee member Alethia Hummel has relocated to South Carolina.

Announcement: Mayor Olson reported that he and Chief Bianchi met with Williams Architects and Harbour Construction today regarding the proposed police station on 6<sup>th</sup> Street. They have been invited to attend the November 27<sup>th</sup> meeting for a presentation on costs to rehab the building located at 1251 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Olson also indicated that he would like to address in the upcoming future the Council’s intentions on acreage the City owns.

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

**City Clerk Li:** No report

**City Treasurer:** Absent

**Director of Public Works & City Engineer Horak:**

Plan Commission regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Annex located at 128 E. Railroad Street. Two public hearings are scheduled:

a. PC2017-04 is a request for recommendation of approval of a special use permit for a fast food restaurant drive-up window in a B-3 Zoning District located at 1210 E. Church Street. This hearing is a re-do of a previous public hearing due to an issue with ownership and the required 250' notification.

b. PC2017-05 is a request for recommendation of approval of a special use permit for a body art establishment in a CBD-1 Zoning District located at 5 N. Main Street. The hearing is due to a change in ownership.

2017 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets Sanitary Sewer Lining Project: Engineer Horak made a recommendation to award the project to Hoerr Construction, Inc. of Goodfield, IL, in the amount of \$85,785.00. The award includes the base bid plus Alternative #2.

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

**Chief Bianchi:** No report

**EMA Director Ciciora:** No report

**Alderwoman Chmielewski:** No report

**Alderman Dell:** No report

**Alderman Kelleher:** No report

**Alderwoman Killey** announced that the next finance committee meeting will be on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

**Alderman McMahon:** A meeting will be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 AM for all Wilshire and Wentworth landlords.

**Alderman O'Sullivan:** Absent

**Alderman Redden:** No report

**Alderman Robinson:** No report

**Audience Comments:** Li Arellano, currently Mayor of Dixon, introduced himself as a candidate for State Senate for the 45<sup>th</sup> Legislative District. Senator Tim Bivins is not running for re-election.

**New Business:** None

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, **motion made by Alderman Redden and seconded by Alderwoman Chmielewski to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. Motion was unanimous by viva voce vote.**

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk