



City of **SANDWICH, ILLINOIS**

City Hall Annex · 128 East Railroad Street

Regular Council Meeting

July 25th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

MINUTES

In the absence of Mayor Latham, City Clerk li called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was taken:

Present: City Clerk li, Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, Robinson & Whitecotton

Quorum established

Also present: Attorney Gottschalk, City Treasurer Schwemlein, Chief Bianchi & EMA Director Ciciora

Absent: Mayor Latham. Alderwoman Johnson & Building Official Steffens

Motion to Appoint Mayor Pro Tem: Motion made by Alderwoman Killey appointing Alderman Robinson as Mayor Pro Tem for the remainder of the meeting. Motion was seconded by Alderman Littlebrant. Aye: Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, Robinson & Whitecotton Nay:0 Motion carried unanimously

Audience Comments: None

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Alderman Whitecotton and seconded by Alderman Fritsch adopting the Consent Agenda, as presented. Motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

- a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 11th, 2022
- b. Approval of Committee-of-the-Whole Minutes of July 18th, 2022
- c. Approval of June, 2022 Financials & Treasurer's Report
- d. Approval of July bills totaling \$ 59,505.62

New Business:

1. Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a "Pavement Management System Development Agreement" with EEI, Sugar Grove, IL, not to exceed \$50,000 from Capital Improvement Fund line item #010.0105.90.6800

So moved by Alderman Kreinbrink, and seconded by Alderman Littlebrant. Aye: Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, & Robinson Nay: Alderman Whitecotton Motion carried 5:1

2. Ordinance 2022-12 entitled “An Ordinance Amending Chapter 82, “Traffic and Vehicles”. Article II, “Operation of Vehicles”, Division 2 “Speed”, by Retitling Section 82-62, “School Speed Zones”, of the City of Sandwich Municipal Code” presented for passage. Said Ordinance defines the location of school speed zones within the City.

Motion made by Alderman Fritsch approving Ordinance 2022-12 as presented. Seconded by Alderman Littlebrant. Aye: Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, Robinson & Whitecotton Nay:0 Motion carried unanimously

3. Approval to waive variance fees due on a proposed dog park as requested by the Sandwich Park District. The requested variance is the height of fencing as stated in the City’s Municipal Code compliance of three feet to four feet. The cost of a variance hearing is \$475.00. Alderman Kreinbrink questioned the true cost of the ZBA hearing and cautioned about repercussions should other taxing bodies want fees waived. Discussion on this matter will continue at next week’s Committee-of-the-Whole meeting.

Mayor’s Report: None

Foster, Buick, Conklin, Lundgren & Gottschaulk Law Group: None

City Clerk li requested Executive Session at the end of the meeting under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Personnel.

City Treasurer Schwemlein: Two Certificates of Deposit are coming due on July 29th and August 1st. The current interest rate with Old National Bank (formerly First Midwest Bank) is 2% for 12 months. It is the recommendation of the City Treasurer to roll over the existing Old National Bank CD for 12 months, and to open a second CD with Old National Bank for the same time period. The CD maturing August 1, 2022 is with another local bank.

City Department Reports:

EMA Director Ciciora: No report

Police Department: Chief Bianchi gave an update on the remodeling of the public safety building. He asked if the City wants to let out for bid for exterior painting and heating, both of which were not in the original contract. The cost is under \$25,000 and is not subject to bid letting. Landscaping will be maintained as a community service project. On another topic, Alderman Kreinbrink requested that the police department provide detailed reporting on verbal warnings, warning citations and number of tickets issued.

Engineering: No report

Aldermen Reports:

Alderman Fritsch questioned the status of air conditioning repairs in the Opera House and Annex Building. Alderman Robinson said five AC units are in need of maintenance, and it appears two may have to be replaced. Until recently, the City had a maintenance program with a local vendor who is no longer able to continue services.

Alderman Kreinbrink moved to approve proposed contract upgrades to AllenVisual Systems, Inc. of Buffalo Grove, IL for audio visual equipment for the Council Chambers in the

amount of \$1,276.00. Alderwoman Killey seconded. Aye: Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, Robinson & Whitecotton Nay:0 Motion carried 6:0

Announcements: The next Finance Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, August 1st, 2022 at 6:30 PM followed by the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting at 7:00 PM.

Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) – Personnel: Motion made by Alderman Whitecotton to move into Executive Session at 7:39 PM for personnel under 5 ILCS 120/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”. Motion was second by Alderman Robinson. Aye: Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, Robinson & Whitecotton Nay: 0 Motion carried unanimously

Alderman Robinson made a motion to return to open session of the Council Meeting at 7:54 PM. Motion was seconded by Alderman Littlebrant. Aye: Aldermen Fritsch, Killey, Kreinbrink, Littlebrant, Robinson & Whitecotton Nay:0 Motion carried 6:0

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Council, motion made by Alderman Littlebrant and seconded by Alderman Whitecotton to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:55 PM. Motion carried unanimously via viva voce vote.

/s/ Denise Li – City Clerk