



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULLIVAN,
ILLINOIS, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2017**

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, September 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Elizabeth Titus Memorial Library, 2 West Water Street, Sullivan. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Short. A roll call was taken.

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- present
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- present
Commissioner Grant Wade	- present
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- present
Mayor Ann Short	- present

2. Mayor Short read the items on the consent agenda:

- Approval of minutes of the previous regular meeting held August 28, 2017
- Approval of Treasurer's Report for August 2017
- Adopt Ordinance 17-25 – Amending Section 1-2-33 – Bidding and Contract Procedures, Division 2 – Rules of the Council, Chapter 1 – Administration of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Sullivan, Illinois

A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Kirk that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried by omnibus vote.

3. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to approve the claims report as submitted. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- abstain
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- abstain
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

4. Lee Beckman of Milano & Grunloh Engineers was present to discuss ongoing and future projects. The contractor for the sewer project will be back in two or three weeks to replace manhole lids, do general cleanup, and address trenches. If there are no settling issues, they won't be back until the spring to finish the project. He also

explained that the sludge permit application is being completed, and bids for that work should be ready in October. Commissioner Kirk questioned why the City no longer handles the sludge themselves, and it was explained that cleaning that lagoon and spreading it was work that could not be handled by our departments. He also explained that the plans for the Casey's detention pond call for a 5 inch orifice, and the City needs to insure that it is constructed properly to protect the City's storm sewer.

Mr. Beckman also submitted a project authorization to begin work for acquiring land required for new street radiuses at two intersections. A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to approve the Project Authorization for Milano & Grunloh for BG8 – Civil Engineering Services. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

5. Commissioner Kirk reported that the Electric Department is waiting on the fiber report before running fiber to departments. The City's crew will hang the fiber and somebody else will be hired to finish the splicing work. Projects are being prioritized for the winter season. Mr. Flannell met with IBEW Representative Tony Cook today regarding the new employee beginning the apprentice program.

6. Commissioner Risley reported that roads have been oiled and chipped, and the Civic Center parking lot has been completed and striped.

7. City Administrator Dan Flannell reported the following:

- St. Mary's appears to be willing to reinvest in the Fields Wright Medical Center, and no longer wishes to transfer the property to the City
- Casey's project engineers have submitted their complete set of plans, which have been forwarded to the City's engineer and planner for review
- Work on the alley behind the former Dickens Studio has begun. Concrete is being removed and overhead lines should be put underground.
- Work has taken place on the former water tower lot with removing the fence and concrete bases
- Sidewalk installation has begun on Jackson Street
- The fiber audit report should be completed and submitted to the City within the week
- More discussions have taken place regarding the possible donation of a shelter for 1 E Jefferson Street

8. Commissioner Kirk pointed out that there is an issue with hydraulic fluid on the City's new asphalt near the former Dickens Studio. He stated that the fluid would need to be cleaned up or the asphalt would be ruined. It was noted that the

hydraulic leak was not coming from the City's equipment, but rather from the contractor's equipment.

9. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Wade to approve a \$500 donation to the Sullivan Street Machine Association. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

10. Mayor Short began discussion regarding the air conditioning and heating issues at the library. All of the equipment is 40 years old and in disrepair. A new boiler and air conditioning system has been quoted at \$83,890 by King Lar from Decatur. Mr. Flannell explained that no local companies were able to bid on the project due to its size and complexity. Mr. Flannell did have Mr. Booker (of Booker Bros) look over the estimate, and it was reported to be fair and reasonable. The Council also discussed funding for the unit, as the Electric Department or Gas Department could pay for the repairs. Commissioner Kirk questioned if TIF was available, and Treasurer Golden explained that it hasn't been submitted but that it should be an eligible expense. The Council did not make a decision on where funding would come from, but did agree that they should move forward with the work. Mr. Flannell suggested that the bidding requirements should be waived due to the urgency of the situation, that no local companies are able to bid, and that the quote was received by the company that has been servicing the current unit. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Risley to waive the bidding process and approve the proposal of \$83,890 by King Lar for a new HVAC unit for the library. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

11. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Wade to approve Trick-or-Treat hours for 2017 for 4:00-9:00 p.m. on October 31st. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

12. Treasurer Golden explained that the City would need an independent brokerage account to accept donated appreciated securities for the donation from the Tice family, assuming the donation is made. The City's investment policy outlines what is eligible to be opened, but a formal vote is requested to state for the record that the Council is aware that a new account will need to be created. A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to authorize City officials to open a brokerage account for donations per terms of the City's Investment Policy. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

13. The following ordinance was submitted:

Ordinance 17-24

Providing for and Approving the First Amendment to the Sullivan Tax Increment Financing District IV Redevelopment Project Area, Plans and Projects

A piece of property owned by Commissioner Kirk was inadvertently included in the plans for TIF IV, and this ordinance will remove that property to avoid a conflict of interest. Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- abstain
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

14. Mr. Flannell explained that he has researched policies from other municipalities regarding memorials in City owned parks or cemeteries. Those programs are very extensive and come with many rules and restrictions. After being reviewed by Park Foreman Herb Bricker, Mr. Flannell will try to have a sample policy for the Council to consider at the next meeting.

15. Commissioner Kirk began discussion regarding handrails in the downtown area. There have been requests for handrails and various locations to help elderly and to stop near falls at the steps. The deteriorating curbing on Jefferson and Harrison Streets was also discussed. Commissioner Risley will research this issue.

* A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Risley to approve the ordinance as submitted.

16. Mayor Short asked if there were comments from the public, and there were none.

17. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to adjourn to closed session at 7:51 p.m. to review closed session minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).); to discuss the purchase of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).); and to discuss probable or imminent litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).). Upon a roll call being taken, the results were as follows:

Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

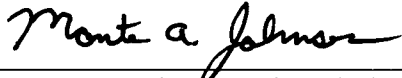
18. Mayor Short reconvened the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

19. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Mossman that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call being taken, the results were as follows:


Commissioner Mike Mossman	- yea
Commissioner Mike Kirk	- yea
Commissioner Grant Wade	- yea
Commissioner Jerry Risley	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Attest



Monte Johnson, City Clerk



Mayor Ann Short