



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULLIVAN,
ILLINOIS, MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018**

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, March 12, 2018, 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 asked if there were any comments from the public in attendance, and there were none.

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

- Approval of minutes of the previous regular meeting held February 26, 2018
- Approval of minutes of the special meeting held March 1, 2018
- Approval of the Treasurer's Report for February 2018
- Approval of claims report
- Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Illinois FOP Labor Council
- Approval of Agreement for Engineering Services with Milano & Grunloh Engineers, LLC
- Approval of Milano & Grunloh for completion of CMOM updates
- Approve ESRI Small Utility Enterprise Agreement (EA)

Mayor Short explained that the Memorandum of Understanding was an agreement with the police union to clarify wording in the labor contract regarding the approved uniform list. A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Mossman 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.

4. Commissioner Kirk reported that the workers from Big D Electrical were called off our job to help with the storm damage on the east coast. Their head lineman did not go on the trip, so he has been coming to work in Sullivan each day and has been working 10 hour shifts with our employees. This has been a good learning experience for our younger apprentice linemen.

5. Lee Beckman of Milano & Grunloh Engineers was present and discussed ongoing and future projects with the City. The ITEP grant that the City applied for will be announced in the spring. The HSIP grant is not going to be available to the City because those two major intersections haven't had issues bad enough to warrant grant funds. The City's best route to move forward with those would be to apply for an EDP grant or Truck Routes Access program.

The timeframe for the Burdick subdivision is as follows: Plans and specs can be completed within 30 days, after which time they would be sent to the EPA. The EPA would review those in another 30-60 days before issuing a permit. This would mean the project could start at the end of April or in May.

It was requested that Mr. Beckman check on Russell Street from the sewer project, as that area still feels soft and spongy. He will check on the issue and will report findings in the morning.

6. Clerk Johnson announced that the MFT bid opening will be held on March 22, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. at the City Building.

7. Mayor Short announced that the City of Sullivan is sponsoring the Chamber Luncheon on March 28th at the American Legion. The Guest Speaker will be Mike Miller to discuss Cyber Security. There have been recent phone issues at the Police Department, and a new phone system is being researched for all departments. The Sullivan Community Foundation dinner will be held April 5th. The IPEA Annual Conference will be held April 12th and 13th at the Thelma Keller Convention Center in Effingham.

8. City Administrator Dan Flannell reported the following:

- The next meeting for the Shopko property is scheduled March 21st
- Woods Basement System is scheduled to work on April 5th to fix the basement water collection system in the City Building. Work on shoring up the floor using steel posts has not yet begun, but may take place under the guidance of Commissioner Risley
- The Planning Commission approved the preliminary plat for Burdick Estates
- The fiber can and vault at the old water tower has been moved by Metro Communications. This will allow the City to remove the rest of the structure for the property that was sold to Sullivan Auto Center
- Contractors do not appear interested in giving estimates for the pavilion for the Square. The City may have to move forward with an RFP if the Council wishes to have a large pavilion constructed.
- The addition of a dog park at Tabor Park has been researched by Herb Bricker. There may be a lot of local interest in this project, and Commissioner Mossman stated that some pieces for the dog park are already being constructed without the fence. Mr. Flannell stated that liability issues for the dog park should fall under the general liability insurance.

9. SCED Director Laurrie Minor was present to report on the Main Street Music Festival scheduled for June 16th from 12:00 noon until 11:00 p.m. There will be vintage handmade vendors, food vendors, and music playing the entire day. She is

working with the Masons to get a liquor license, and it is hopeful that wristbands can be sold for those patrons wishing to drink. The stage will be set up to point north on Main Street.

10. Mr. Flannell explained that the Planning Commission unanimously approved the preliminary plat for Burdick Estates. The only people in attendance for the hearing were Darin Burdick, Kathy White, Peggy Hargis, and Mr. Flannell. Nobody present opposed the plans. A specific motion for approval of the plat has been prepared. If approved, a letter will be prepared to the engineers about the existing roadway, as no street construction will be necessary. The City will be installing the utility services to make the development possible. It was also noted that the project is in TIF 4. A motion was made by Commissioner Wade as follows: I hereby move the Council approve the preliminary plat for the Burdick Estates Subdivision which was approved by the City Planning Commission at its meeting held on March 8, 2018. I further move the Mayor be authorized to prepare and execute correspondence to Survey Solutions, LLC and OnSite Engineering, LLC requesting submission of a Final Plat for the Burdick Estates Subdivision and acknowledging the City's responsibility to construct and/or install all required utility improvements and thereby waive any responsibility of Survey Solutions, LLC and/or OnSite Engineering, LLC for permitting, design or construction of all such improvements contemplated by the City Subdivision Code. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Risley. 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.

Commissioner Kirk explained that he abstained due to his business relationships with Mr. Burdick in the past and a possible relationship moving forward.

11. A motion was made by Commissioner Wade and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to approve the travel expense reimbursement for Mayor Short for \$76.30 for an IPEA Meeting in Springfield. 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	- abstain

and the motion was declared carried.

12. Mr. Flannell explained that he tried to obtain more quotes for the Square pavilion project but has been unsuccessful. He does not see any way that this can be done with less than \$25,000 to \$35,000. There may also be some pause by some contractors due to the fact that prevailing wage must be paid. Additional costs should be

considered including landscaping and sidewalk construction. One thought would be to purchase a kit that could be constructed by our own employees under guidance. No decision was made and the issue will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

13. A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to adjourn to closed session at 7:37 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)). 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.

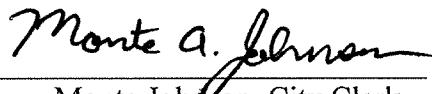
14. Mayor Short reconvened the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

15. A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Wade 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 8:06 p.m.

Attest



Monte Johnson, City Clerk



Mayor Ann Short