



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULLIVAN,
ILLINOIS, MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2017**

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, August 28, 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 14, 2017
- Approval of the claims
- Approve Ordinance 17-23 – Amending Chapter 24 – Motor Vehicle Code, Article VI – Parking Rules, Section 26-6-4 Stopping, Standing, or Parking Prohibited in Specified Places, Schedule “E” – No Parking Zones of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Sullivan, Illinois

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.

3. Commissioner Mossman reported that he has been asked by the Church of God if it were possible to have a live nativity scene in the park this year. City Administrator Dan Flannell advised the Council that they might have to be open to the possibility of any display, anti-religious displays, or competition from other churches. After discussion, most members of the Council voiced their support, and no members objected.

4. Commissioner Mossman reported that the Council has donated to the Sullivan Street Rod Association for the last two years. The organization annually puts on a car show and carnival on the Square, and Rick Montague has asked if the Council would be willing to donate again this year. The item will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

5. Commissioner Wade reported that the Sewer Department has advertised internally for an apprentice to work towards the Sewer Plant Operator position. Mr. Flannell explained that he has a meeting with the union to discuss the position.

6. Mayor Short reported that Mr. Flannell has met with Apex Builders regarding their bid for the Gas Department garage work. A target completion date of November 1st has been agreed upon. It was noted that guttering was not included in the bid specs, and the City might consider adding that to the project at a later time. A motion was made by Mayor Short and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to award the bid of the Gas Department garage work to Apex Builders for \$24,100. 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 Riskey	- yea
Mayor Ann Short	- yea

and the motion was declared carried.

7. City Administrator Dan Flannell reported the following:

- A meeting with executives from St. Mary's has been scheduled for this Thursday
- Casey's project engineer will send full construction specs this week
- The former Fleener property has been cleaned up and looks great
- Met with Doug Daily and Jim Standerfer regarding the alley behind the former Dickens building. Excavation and replacement of the alley has been discussed. It might also be possible to perform electrical work and remove the pole from the alley. Mediacom and the phone company also have wires on the pole that would need to be addressed.
- The Library has air conditioning issues, and this issue might lead to a need to replace the entire heating and air conditioning system.

8. SCED Director Laurie Minor reported on a number of issues, including:

- A liquor license from the City and State has been received for Oktoberfest
- A workforce development class is being planned with the school in coordination with No Job Left Behind ; Senator Chapin Rose was in town last week and wants to discuss No Job Left Behind
- A mountain bike jamboree is set for September 2018
- Discussing message boards with shareholders in the Sullivan area
- Will attend a tourism conference in Dubuque Iowa in two weeks
- Chalk Art contest was held on the 18th. Forty-one students participated, and about 100 people gathered to watch. The whole south side of the square was covered
- The farmer's market has finished for this season
- A bass tournament is scheduled for 2018, and there is hope to bring people from Bo Woods into town
- Met with ReBorn about a development on TIF 1

- Shared information with the Council about a showcase with the Kaskaskia Watershed Association
- DMH will have an open house on September 28th with their new doctor

9. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to become a Besser sponsor of Oktoberfest for \$350. 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 possible donation of a shelter for the 1 E Jefferson Street lot. She reported that a family is willing to donate between \$6,000 and \$8,000 towards a 20x40 shelter for the lot. They weren't giving any guidelines for design or placement, and would make the donation towards what the City felt would be proper for the location. The Council agreed to look into what type of structure would be appropriate and what could be purchased for that amount of money. Mr. Flannell will talk to the donor to see about moving forward with the donation.

11. Mayor Short began discussion regarding a policy for memorials in City owned parks. Mr. Flannell discussed ideas with Laurie Minor, and it was suggested that the City could have memorials tied to tree donations. A list of prices for tree plantings could be made available, and a small plaque could be used to dedicate the tree. Mr. Flannell will discuss this further with Ms. Minor and Herb Bricker.

12. Mr. Flannell asked the Council if they had given any thought to restrictions on fireworks sales. Mayor Short stated that she is all for a restriction on sales of fireworks. Commissioner Kirk questioned why the City is considering putting restrictions on fireworks, but did not vote to put an ordinance restricting marijuana. Mr. Flannell will look at some model ordinances and will report back to the Council.

13. Mayor Short announced that a resolution would be passed to purchase real estate, but not until the Council reconvened from closed session. One attendee asked if the City would lose sales tax from the fireworks. It was explained that the City is technically supposed to receive sales tax from those types of businesses, but there is not a good way to prove or track that. It was also asked if there would be a Cemetery Board meeting scheduled, and Mayor Short explained that one has not yet been planned. The issue with falling and deteriorating stones was brought up and discussed again. It was also discussed that pictures have been taken of headstones, and those will be shared with the Cemetery for inclusion in the public viewing application.

14. A motion was made by Commissioner Wade and seconded by Commissioner Risley to adjourn to closed session at 7:36 p.m. to review closed session minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).); for the setting of a price or lease of property owned by

the public (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).); and to discuss the purchase of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).). 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.

15. Mayor Short reconvened the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

16. The following resolution was presented:

Resolution 17-L

A Resolution Directing the Execution of the Purchase of Real Estate from the Daniel F. Terzo Trust and Leslie L. Coretti Trust

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

17. A motion was made by Commissioner Kirk 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 A. Johnson
Monte Johnson, City Clerk

Ann G. Short
Mayor Ann Short