



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

1. The City Council of the City of Sullivan, Illinois, met in regular session on Monday, December 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 November 27, 2017
- Approval of Treasurer's Report for November 2017
- Approval of claims report
- Pass Ordinance 17-34 – An Ordinance Adopting a Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment for the City of Sullivan, Illinois

A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Wade 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 Kirk reported that two separate car accidents damaged poles at the corners of Mattox/Hamilton Streets and VanBuren/Jackson Streets. Insurance claims have already been filed for those accidents. Four power outages have occurred in the last two weeks due to squirrels. Animal protectors have now been installed at those locations. Brock Cook is finishing his third week at lineman school, and upon returning he will be able to work on 7,000 volt lines without supervision. A transformer has been replaced at the old Brown Shoe Company site.

4. Commissioner Risley reported that he and Street Foreman Doug Daily are making plans for MFT road work for next year.

5. Mayor Short gave a recap of the Cemetery Board meeting that took place earlier in the day. The board voted to recommend raising the grave opening rates to \$650 on weekdays and \$750 on weekends and holidays. The board also is looking into prices and researching cremation walls/mausoleums. Updates to the Cemetery facilities was discussed, along with how to move forward with cleaning and repairing old and broken

headstones. The Council will be required to pass an ordinance at the next meeting to make the proposed grave opening rates official.

6. Mayor Short reported that the City has received a letter from Mediacom explaining their rate adjustments, and those new rates were read by Mayor Short.

7. City Administrator Dan Flannell reported the following:

- IDOT permits for the new Casey's project have been received, and ground breaking is expected in March
- Met with officials from St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur regarding future plans for the Fields Wright Medical Center
- Will travel to Decatur tomorrow for a meeting with the Decatur Economic Development group regarding regional development efforts and Lake Shelbyville
- The CDAP grant application will not be submitted due to a public notice not being published in the News Progress
- The route of the proposed multi-use grant project was traveled with the engineer. If the City were to receive the grant, no grass boulevard would need to be used on Cottontail Lane, and the lane could be placed within the current roadway

8. The following ordinance was presented for final reading and passage:

Ordinance 17-28

An Ordinance for Levy & Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2017 and Ending April 30, 2018 for the City of Sullivan, County of Moultrie and State of Illinois

A motion was made by Commissioner Mossman and seconded by Commissioner Kirk to waive the reading and accept the ordinance 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.

9. The following ordinance was presented for final reading and passage:

Ordinance 17-29

An Ordinance Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2017 to Pay Debt Service on Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Alternative Revenue Source), Series 2010 of the City of Sullivan, Moultrie County, Illinois

A motion was made by Commissioner Wade and seconded by Commissioner Mossman to waive the reading and accept the ordinance 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.

10. Mayor Short asked if there were any comments from the public in attendance, and comments included the following: It was asked how the proposed multi-use path would affect people living on Main Street, and parking issues were discussed. It was asked who was in charge of the maintenance at the Civic Center, and Commissioner Mossman stated that concerns could be addressed to him or Dan Flannell.

Treasurer Golden explained that the City's audit has been finalized, and questions or concerns can be addressed to her or Jim Russell. Information regarding updates of PSN activity was given to the Council, along with a copy of the brochure going out to customers regarding the City's website launch and customer giveaway.

11. A motion was made by Commissioner Risley and seconded by Commissioner Kirk 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 7:17 p.m.

Attest

Monte a. Johnson
Monte Johnson, City Clerk

Mike Mossman
~~Mayor Ann Short~~ Mayor 9/10 7PM