## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY Monday, April 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Daniel E. Dickey.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Brandon Roderick.

**Roll Call:** Ward #1 Barb Yergler, present; Brandon Roderick, present

Ward #2 Jan Hall, present; Nelda Jordan, present
Ward #3 John Carlson, present; Scott Davis, present
Ward #4 Dennis Pardick, present; Laura Miller, present

Jr Alderman Jessalyn Davis, absent / arrived during new business discussion

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin.Assistant Peg Stalter, Police Chief Steve Cushman, Jeanne Noellsch (Ford County Record/News Gazette), Ross Brown (WGCY), City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Jill Doran, Daton Getty (Getty Lawn Care), Greg Cook, Al Brownlee (Al's Barber Shop), Sharon Heavilin, Luke Day (Clark Dietz), David Brown (Lion's Club), Doug Mazey, Gary Lutterbie, Melissa Cushman,

**Approval of Council Minutes:** Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve the minutes of March 28, 2016; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. MC 8-0.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: 1.) Sharon Heavilin reported that the Downtown Revitalization Committee had received a PACA award recently, an award given for their efforts in beautifying the former Loy's Building on Sangamon Ave. by having a mural placed in the front windows depicting the Day mural located at Busey Bank. 2.) Dave Brown, representing the Lion's Club, asked permission to hold their Annual candy sale on the corner of 8th and Sangamon and 8th and Rt. 47 on May 6 (7am to 5 pm) and May 7 (7 am -11am). Council approved. 3.) Doug Maxey and Jill Doran offered their expertise in correcting Handicap signage and striping in various places in town, assisting with ADA plans for the Fishing Pond project, and asked for additional handicap parking areas to be designated at the schools. They both expressed their concern of Handicap accessibility in un-named local businesses and suggested the council to get a copy of ILL. Accessibility Book for guidance. Alderman John Carlson stated that they want to get it right, rather than have to redo placement of signage and stripes 4.) Al Brownlee of Al's Barber Shop, located on Sangamon expressed his concerns of the report that during the downtown revitalization project, valuable parking spots will be lost. He stated that he has spoken with a number of business owners, who also are concerned of losing parking spaces in front of their businesses.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Ordinance Committee – Alderman Jan Hall offered no report.

Street and Alley – Alderman John Carlson offered no report.

**Police/Health, Light and Nuisance** – Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report. Chief Cushman presented the March 2016 Police Report for the Council to review. .

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

**Personnel Committee** – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report.

**Water and Sewer** – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report. She had received a note concerning the water/sewer separation separation project and will be calling a meeting to outline the needs.

**Parks and Buildings** –Alderman Barb Yergler reported that the repairs to the concession stand at McMillen Field are underway.

**Economic and Industrial Development** – Alderman Laura Miller offered no report.

**CDAP** –Admin Assist Peg Stalter reported that this was emailed to council members.

Pool Board - Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

Recycling Board— Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

**Downtown Committee** – Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report, referring to new business.

**Public Recreation/Fishing Committee-** Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report, referring to new business.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

**General Bills totaling \$96,377.28.** Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$96,377.28; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 8-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **A.)** Consideration of cleaning bids for FY 2017. Alderman Barb Yergler opened the 2 bids received for the Cleaning contract for 2016-2017. Melissa Cushman bid \$1200.00 per month to clean the offices and \$20.00 / hour to clean the park restrooms. CleanNetUSA bid \$1700.00 per month for the same services. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve the bid from Melissa Cushman as presented; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. MC 8-0.
- **B.**) Consideration mowing bids for FY 2017. Alderman Barb Yergler opened the only bid received for this contract. Getty Lawncare and Landscaping of Colfax presented a bid of \$895.00 per mowing for all city properties and \$35.00 per hour for trimming and vacant lots as needed for \$35.00 to \$75.00. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve the bid from Getty Lawncare and Landscaping of Colfax as presented; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 8-0.
- C.) Consideration of Resolution (2016-R-03), for the use of MFT funds for the construction of Lott Blvd. Greg Cook of Farnsworth Assoc. reported that work should begin around April 18 and conclude July 11<sup>th</sup> with the work being done by Iroquois Paving. Admin Assist Peg Stalter confirmed that the city currently has \$651,000.00 of MFT monies. Alderman John Carlson motioned to approve Resolution 2016-R-03 for a total of \$654,197.97 to be paid out of MFT funds budgeted for 2016-2017; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC. 8-0.
- **D.)** Consideration of Farnsworth Group's engineering cost for Lott Bld. Project. Greg Cook presented a lower figure estimate of \$7500.00 for their services and \$11049.00 for concrete testing, totaling \$86,601.00, which is lower than the \$89,734.00 that had been previously approved. No action was taken by Council.
- **E.**) Consideration Downtown Revitalization Bid. The lowest of 3 bids was received from Champaign Signal and Lighting for \$385,119.00 for Phase 1 of the Downtown Revitalization Project, that being replacing the lighting. The underground work should begin in May or June with the installation of lights and poles likely to begin after July 4 and be completed by early August. Alderman Jan Hall asked if the lighting at the intersections would affect existing turning radius. Luke Day of Clark Dietz reported that the new light poles would not take up any more space that is currently occupied by the existing planter beds. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve Resolution 2016-R-02 as presented; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC. 7-01. Alderman John Carlson voted against.
- **F.)** Consideration of Ordinance 2016-O-05, for Jordan Pond park rules and regulation. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-O-05 with changes to various wording; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. . MC 8-0.
- **G.**) Consideration of Bodine Electric Pumps bid for the Sewer Plant. Randy Stauffer reported that the large pump needs rebuilding and had received a bid from Bodine Electric to do so. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the Bodine bid to repair the pump at the sewer plant, not to exceed \$8353.62, with funds to be paid out of the budget; seconded by Alderman John Carlson. MC 8-0.
- **H.**) Consideration of Camera bids for the parks. Tabled to the next meeting in order to gather additional information.
- **I.)** Consideration of Downtown Planters/Welcome Sign Program. Peg Stalter reported that 17 of 18 previous participants have expressed interest in this program. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve the Downtown Planters/Welcome Sign Program; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 8-0.
- **J.**) **Consideration of Farmer's Market sign.** Alderman Jan Hall reported that she is waiting for the price and asked to table this item to the next meeting. No action.

Announcements: None.	
<b>ADJOURN</b> : Alderman Laura Miller motioned to adjouwas poled with 8 ayes/ 0 objections.	urn; seconded by Alderman Barb Yergler. Council
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