

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, April 25, 2016

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

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, present

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Laura Miller.

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin.Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Jeanne Noellsch (Ford County Record/News Gazette), Ross Brown (WGCY), Gary Lutterbie, Greg Cook, Sean Widener, Tracy Epps, Todd McNutt, Terry Roesch, Rob Schmitt.

Approval of Council Minutes: Discussion: Alderman Jan Hall asked that her comment be added to page 1 discussion of Downtown Revitalization Plan, that being, she asked if the downtown plan would lose any parking spots and was told no parking spots would be lost. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve corrected the minutes of April 11, 2016; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. MC 8-0.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors:: All present has business for the council.

Treasurer's Report: City Treasurer Scott Shull was absent and requested for council to contact him if they had any questions after reviewing the Financial Report as of March 2016.

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 reminded residents of the ordinance prohibiting grass clippings in the street, which clog up the drains. City Superintendent Randy Stauffer reported that the storm drains on Lott Blvd. were currently being installed and the curbs and gutters would be installed later this week. There have been no requests from residents on Lott Blvd. for wider driveways or parking areas.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick referred to new business.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report, but did call for a committee meeting for May 3rd at 7:00pm to discuss the future water tower fund and to plan the next phase of the sewer/separation project. Randy Stauffer reported that Opperman is in process of completing their project.

Parks and Buildings –Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report, but called a committee meeting for Thursday, April 28th at 7:30am at the McMillen Park concession stand to review the progress of repairs.

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

CDAP –Admin Assist Peg Stalter offered no report.

Pool Board –Alderman Barb Yergler reported that the pool board is planning on opening day of May 30th with the prices to remain the same.

Recycling Board– Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Downtown Committee – Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

Public Recreation/Fishing Committee- Alderman Brandon Roderick reported that a committee meeting will be held Thursday, April 28th at 6:30pm to discuss plans for opening and the fishing derby.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) **Consideration of Camera Bids for City Parks.** Todd McNutt reported that phase 1 and 2 of the 5 phase project have been completed, which involved upgrading police department servers to stream and store surveillance video. He presented 3 quotes for camera placement in the North Park (3 cameras facing out from the pavilion), South Park (1 camera facing out from the restroom) and the addition of WI-FI. Alderman Carlson mentioned that Chief Cushman wanted a camera under the overhang at the North Park restroom. This is still under consideration due to the fact that the camera would be easily accessible to damage. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to accept the McNutt bids as presented, not to exceed \$22,000.00 from the 2016-2017 budget and to determine if any part of the project is TIF eligible; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. MC 7-0 / John Carlson abstained in light that a portion of the project may be TIF eligible and he owns property in the TIF.

- B.) **Consideration of Farmer's Market Sign.** Alderman Jan Hall asked to table this item to the next meeting in order to gather more information.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

- A.) **TIF 2 Bills;** Five (5) bills totaling \$5,344.58. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve the 5 TIF 2 bills totaling \$5,344.58; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0/1 abstain. Alderman John Carlson abstained stating he owns property in the TIF.
- B.) **General Fund Bills** totaling \$97,420.02. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$97,420.02; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 8-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) Consideration of CDAP request by Terry J. Roesch.** Tracy Epps presented a request from Terry Roesch for a \$15,000.00 CDAP loan at 2% for 5 years with monthly payments for his business located at 117 N. Sangamon Ave with collateral new office furniture and equipment. Alderman John Carlson motioned to approve the proposed CDAP loan at the terms presented; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. MC 8-0.
- B.) Consideration Change Order #1 for Lott Blvd.** Greg Cook presented the change order to reflect the 12th and 13th street work not being done, stating that \$29,106.64 would be deducted from the original cost of \$567,534.97, leaving a contract balance of \$538,428.33. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Lott Blvd Change Order #1; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 8-0.
- C.) Consideration of to hire Clark Dietz for Sangamon Ave. Construction Observation.** Sean Widener presented the bid for Clark Dietz for the Sangamon Ave. Construction Observation of both city crew and tradesmen's work. for a total of \$32,880.00. Alderman Dennis Parodic motioned to approve the hiring of Clark Dietz, not exceed \$32,880.00 for Sangamon Ave. Construction Observation for Phase 1; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 7-1 / Alderman John Carlson voting against.
- D.) Consideration of Resolution (2016-R-04), supporting the Grant Application to the IL. Transportation Enhancement Program for the Downtown Revitalization Project.** Sean Widener reported that acceptance of applications will open May 2 (for 30-45 days) and the application for the downtown project from 7th street to the Railroad needs to be ready to submit. Alderman Jan Hall questioned Paragraph 2 of the resolution, which authorizes the Mayor to sign the application and subsequent documents concerning the application on behalf of the council. She asked if any members of the Council would be included in the application preparation and/or review before submission. Mayor Dickey and Mr. Widener both indicated the application is only an application which is not binding, would not include specific or final design and council members input was not needed at this time. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to accept Resolution 2016-R-04 as presented; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. Roll call resulted in 4 ayes/ 4 nays with Mayor Dickey casting the deciding 'aye' vote. MC 5-4. Aldermen Jan Hall, John Carlson, Nelda Jordan and Barb Yergler cast 'no' vote.
- E.) Consideration of change order #002 for CSO Project Phase 3A.** Randy Stauffer reported that the change order #002 would lower the original contract price and the city will accept responsibility to overcoat the road. It was found that the water main pipe did not have to be moved, but did install a shut-off valve. Alderman John Carlson motioned to accept and approve change order #002 to bring the revised contract price to \$206,560.00; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 8-0.
- F.) Consideration of Resolution (2016-R-05) stating the Council Meeting Dates for 2016-2017.** Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve Resolution 2016-R-05; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 8-0.
- G.) Consideration of 2016-2017 Committee Appointments.** Mayor Dickey asked to remove Amelia Beck from the TIF committee, as she has moved from town. Alderman Brandon Roderick motioned to approve the 2016-2017 Committee Appointments with the removal of Amelie Beck from the TIF committee; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 8-0.
- H.) Consideration to host the July CIMOA Meeting.** Alderman Dennis Pardick reported that he received a request at the last CIMOA meeting for the city to host the July meeting. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve hosting the July CIMOA meeting with the date and place to be determined; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC by pole 8 ayes.

Announcements: City Clerk Carla Moxley reported that a total of 15 Liquor Licenses will be issued by April 30, 2016 including 7 Class A, 2 Class A & O, 3 Class B, 1 Class C and 2 Club.

Request: Rob Schmitt of the Gibson Hospital requested permission to remove 3 city trees on the north side 18th street and 3 city trees on west side of Melvin Street, at no cost to the city, to allow more parking for Hospital employees. He also said that the house at the corner of 18th and Melvin, which is owned by the hospital, will be razed or moved to create another parking lot. Alderman John Carlson and Jan Hall expressed drainage concerns that needs to be addressed with the changes planned. The matter will be formally voted on at the next meeting. The council was poled informally with the council supporting the request, allowing the hospital to proceed with work.

- I.) Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session to consider the employment/compensation of 1 or more City employees; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 8-0.**
- J.) Return to Open Session for the Approval of Employment/ Compensation of 1 or more City Employees.** No motion or action at this time.

ADJOURN: Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. Council was poled with 8 ayes/ 0 objections.

APPROVED

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