

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, August 13, 2018

Call to order at 7:02 pm by Mayor Dickey.

Roll Call: Ward #1 Susan Tongate, present; Greg Houtzel, present
Ward #2 Randy Wyant, present; Nelda Jordan, present
Ward #3 Doug Parsons, present; Scott Davis, present
Ward #4 Dennis Pardick, present; Laura Miller, present
Jr Alderman Abby Spiller, absent; Jr. Alderman Mady Schutte, absent

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Officer Kaleb Kraft, Ross Brown (WGCY and Ford County Record), Mike Friend (Farnsworth Group), Daton Getty (Getty Lawncare), Jennifer Thomas (Harvest Fest), Jerry Brown (OLOL Knights of Columbus), Ben Arteman (Burgers & Beer), Billie Jo and Dale Denny (SkatePark), and Andrew Medina.

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Alderman Randy Wyant.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the regular council minutes of July 23, 2018; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 8-0

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: 1.) Mike Friend of Farnsworth was making his monthly visit. 2.) Jerry Brown of OLOL Knights of Columbus asked permission to sell chocolates at the corner of 8th and Sangamon and Interstate by the sewer plant on September 22, 2018 from 8 am to 1 pm, as a part of their fundraising efforts. Council approved the request. 3.) Dale and Billie Jo Denney presented Mayor Dickey with a check of \$5000.00 for the Ed Day Skate Park. 4.) Ben Arteman of Burgers & Beer requested a special permit for outside seating in the alley during Harvest Fest. This item will be voted on at the next meeting. 5.) Jackie Rusk requested road closure on October 23rd from 5 – 7pm for the Fright Night event. Council approved the request with 8 ayes.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Street and Alley –Alderman Doug Parsons offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported that the corners downtown should be completed within the week.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance –Alderman Greg Houtzel offered no report.

Finance Committee –Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report, but referred to Item E of new business.

Water and Sewer - Alderman Randy Wyant offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported that the hydrant flushing has been completed.

Parks / Buildings / Technology – Alderman Susie Tongate reported that ACT Theater thanked the city for the large fans installed at the North Park Pavilion. They worked very well during their latest performances.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) **Consideration of Ordinance 2018-O-10, establishing a Food Truck Vendor Licensing and Regulations to the revised Code of Ordinances for the City of Gibson City.** Trucks will be only permitted to operate on private property unless special consideration an approval is given by city officials. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve Ordinance 2018-O-10 with the wording corrected to read \$100.00 annual fee or \$20.00 per day; 2nd by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 8-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

- A.) **TIF #2 bills---Two (2) TIF #2 bill totaling \$3,604.00.** Alderman Susie Tongate motioned to approve payment of two (2) TIF #2 bills; second by Alderman Doug Parsons. **MC 7-0 with Alderman Greg Houtzel abstaining, stating he lives in the TIF.**
- B.) **General Fund Bills totaling \$167,250.91.** Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve payment of the general bills; second by Alderman Randy Wyant.

New Business:

A.) Harvest Fest Update and Requests. Jennifer Thomas presented the updated information of the upcoming Harvest Fest activities and requests. The committee is requesting assistance from the city as follows, A.) Equipment 1.) any picnic tables available from various arks, Orange snow fence, concrete tire fence supports, and plastic garbage cans to be available by the morning of Friday September 7th and deposited behind city hall.; dumpsters from North Park, and barricades, cones, street closure and detour signs be deposited in designated areas/intersections by Friday Sept 7 at 6 am, B.) Electrical – downtown electrical outlets be turned on Friday Sept. 7 at 3:00 pm thru Sunday, September 9 at 10 Am, and access to electrical panel and water at city hall: C.) Street closures/No parking designations to include 1.) 100 block East 8th, alley to Sangamon – Friday Sept 7 at 6 am for GAH tent, 2.) 100 block of South Sangamon – Friday Sept 7 at 8 am for entertainment/food vendor area, 3.) (Portions of) city parking lots Friday Sept 7 at 8 am for entertainment area, 4.) 100 block East 9th and 100 block West 9th (to alleys) on Friday Sept 7 for kid zone area, 5.) 100-200 blocks of North Sangamon – Saturday Sept 8 at 6 am for vendor area’ 6.) 100 block East and/.or West 7th – Saturday Sept 8 at 6 am for Coffee & Cars (to be opened after the event), 7.) 100 West 8th to alley – Saturday Sept.8 7 am to 2 pm 8.) West Alley 100 – 200 clock North Sangamon on Saturday Sept 8 from noon to 2 pm for the Absurd Footrace.

B./C./D.) Consideration of Special Liquor License for the American Legion, Gibson Railside Golf and Sammer’s2, in conjunction with Harvest Fest and the ‘Elite-Absurd 1/3 Fundraiser Footrace’. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve the special liquor licenses for the American Legion, Gibson Railside Golf and Sammer’s 2 in conjunction with Harvest Fest and the ‘Elite-Absurd 1/3 Fundraiser Footrace’ within the 3 monitored fenced areas between noon and 2 pm. Mayor Dickey said that the city would pay the \$1.00 per license fee: 2nd by Alderman Susie Tongate. MC 7-0. Alderman Laura Miller abstained stating conflict of interest.

E.)Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session for the limited purpose of discussing the Employment /Performance and/or Compensation of 1 or more City Employees, pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(b)(1); second by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 8-0.

F.) Return to open session. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to hire Robert E. Knerr to Street & Alley department at \$17.00 per hour, full benefits and 1 year probation to begin as soon as he has completed his physical examination and transfer Larry McNutt to Water/Sewer Department at his same rate; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 8-0.

Announcements: none

ADJOURN: Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Susie Tongate. . Council was poled with 8 ayes/ 0 against. **MC**

APPROVED

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