

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, August 28, 2017

Call to order by Mayor Dan Dickey at 7:00 pm

Roll Call: Ward #1 Susan Tongate, present; Brandon Roderick, absent
 Ward #2 Randy Wyant, present; Nelda Jordan, present
 Ward #3 Doug Parsons, present; Scott Davis, present
 Ward #4 Dennis Pardick, present; Laura Miller, present

Others present: Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, Assistant Taylor Braasch, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Chief Adam Rosendahl, Sgt. Tony Row, Officer Kevin Kraft, Ross Brown (WGCY and Ford County Record), Gary Lutterbie, Daton Getty, John Carlson, Ellen Hankes, Sharon Heavilin (Moyer Library), Jennifer Thomas (Harvest Fest Event), Jeff Metzler, Mike Metzler, Patty Metzler, and Kristin Metzler.

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Alderman Susie Tongate.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the minutes of August 14, 2017; seconded by Alderman Randy Wyant. **MC 7-0.**

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: 1.) John Carlson of the Our Lady of Lourdes Knights of Columbus requested permission to hold their Tootsie Roll Sale at the corners of 8th and Sangamon and Rt. 47 and 54 on September 16, 2017 from 8 am to 2 pm. and requested cones for safety. Council approved. 2.) Jennifer Thomas of the Harvest Fest committee requested street closure of Sangamon Ave between 7th and 8th street on Thursday evening starting at 6 pm to facilitate setting up the area for Harvest Fest. Council approved. 3.) Sharon Heavilin of the Moyer District Library requested permission to borrow vintage City pictures and newspaper articles, including scrapbooks compiled by Margaret Anderson. These would be displayed at the Library. Council approved the request.

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.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report. Chief Rosendahl reported that 2 new cameras have been purchased for the department with the monies being obtained through donations by Earth One Energy and budgeted funds plus community donations.

Finance Committee –Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Randy Wyant offered no report.

Parks/Buildings/ Technology – Alderman Susan Tongate reported that the pool board met last week and will meet again with the Parks Committee on Sept 30 at 7 pm at the pool for a tour of the facilities. She also reported that the Skate Park committee met and the minutes are to come.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of Plaques in memory of Bob Crossman. The plaque would be placed near the totem pole at the South Park. More information is needed as to how to install the plaque. Council decided to hold this item in order to gather more information.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A.) TIF #2 bill –Three checks (3) TIF #2 bills totaling \$9,773.19. Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve payment of the 3 TIF2 checks; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. **MC 7-0.**

B.) General Fund Bills totaling \$98,193.15. Alderman Susie Tongate motioned to approve payment of the general bills; second by Alderman Doug Parsons. **MC 7-0.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A.)_Consideration of American Legion Façade Grant Request. An application from the American Legion was received and reviewed with the total project being \$17,217.00 for improving the front of its building. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve a Façade Grant of \$5000.00 toward the submitted request, according to Ordinance 2017-O-01; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. **MC 7-0.**

B.) Consideration of Resolution 2017-R-02, authorizing a Lighted Holiday Parade. A resolution is required in order for the police to block off Illinois 9 for the nighttime event. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve Resolution 2017-R-02, authorizing a Lighted Holiday Parade on November 18, 2017 beginning at 6:30 pm.; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. **MC 7-0.**

C.) Consideration of Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) Assistance Task Order with Donohue and Associated. Randy Stauffer explained that the City has to meet criteria set by the State by filling out this form. Donohue and Associated would work with Randy in order to complete the paperwork within a reasonable time frame. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the task order with Donohue and Associates to meet GATA criteria, not to exceed \$2500.00; second by Alderman Dennis Pardick. **MC 7-0.**

D.) Consideration of Vandevanter Engineering replacement Sludge Plunger Pump Proposal with installation options. Randy Stauffer reported that the city employees would be installing the pump, thus reducing costs. He reported that 4 valves may need to be replaced and he is looking into pricing. The funds to replace the pump would come from various line items in the city budget and that both the new equipment and capital expenditure accounts would be exhausted as a result. Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve the purchase of the new sludge plunger pump for the wastewater plant from Vandevanter Engineering, not to exceed \$21,000.00, including shipping costs with the funds to be taken from specified line items; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. **MC 7-0.**

E.)Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session for the approval of employment/compensation for 1 or more City Employees; second by Alderman Doug Parsons. **MC 7-0.**

F.) Return to open session. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve the hiring of Jeff Metzler as a Police Officer with the GCPD, effective September 10, 2017 and at a salary of \$20.92/hour with full benefits; second by Alderman Doug Parsons. **MC 7-0.**

G.) City Clerk Carla Moxley administered the Oath to Jeff Metzler, as the newest member of the Gibson City Police Department and welcomed him to the City. Clerk Moxley then presented K9 Gjuri with his official badge as the new K9 officer for the GCPD and administered the Oath to Officer Kevin Conrad and K9 Gjuri.

Announcements/Comments: none

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ADJOURN: Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Brandy Wyant. Council was poled with 7 ayes/ 0 objections.

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