REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY Monday, December 14, 2015

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

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, absent; Laura Miller, present
	Ward #2 Ward #3

Others present: Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, Police Chief Steve Cushman, Jean Noellsch (News Gazette), City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Ross Brown, Lieutenant Eric Hyatt, Officer Kevin Conrad, Victor Crouch, Alisa Crouch, Douglas Crouch, Ana Shanley, Jordan Sizemore, Joshua Crouch, David Crouch, Karen Wright, Ashley Kugath, Patti and Mike Meunier.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Barb Yergler.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the minutes of November 23, 2015; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 7-0. Alderman Dennis Pardick was absent.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: No visitors.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report, but requested permission to close the City office at 1:00 pm on Thursday, December 24, 2015. Council approved.

<u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>:

Ordinance Committee –Alderman Jan Hall offered no report.

Street and Alley – Alderman John Carlson offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported on an agenda item for the next meeting, in reference to completing IDOT requirements for the Melvin Street project. IDOT reportedly has lost all the documents that the city presented at their request and measures need to be taken to obtain IDOT release and final approval of the project before the city can proceed with the Lott Blvd. project. He also reported that December 15 will be the final day of leaf pickup in the city.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Brandon Roderick offered no report. Chief Cushman reported that the new squad car has been ordered from Anderson Ford. With further research, the Chief reported that the car that was available from the State was a 2015 and Anderson Ford offered a 2016 Ford Interceptor. Funds were budgeted for the purchase and previously approved by the council.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee - No report.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported that 6 companies have taken the plans to make their bid, with Phase 3 of the Combined Water/Sewer Separation project estimated at \$350,000.00. The bid opening will be January 22.

Parks and Buildings - Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

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

CDAP – Admin Assist Peg Stalter reported a balance of \$119,520.07.

Pool Board -Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

Recycling Board- Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Downtown Committee – Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

Public Recreation/Fishing Committee- Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report, but referred to item A in new business.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of an ordinance establishing traffic control regulations. Alderman Jan Hall suggested that a committee meeting be called to discuss the proposal. Alderman and Street and Alley Committee Chairman John Carlson will call a meeting in January.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TIF2 bills: Two (2) TIF2 bills for \$ 6, 558.50. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve the 2 (2) TIF2 bills totaling \$ 6,558.50; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 6-0-1 abstain. No discussion. Alderman John Carlson abstained as he owns property in the TIF. Alderman Dennis Pardick was absent. **TIF3 bills:** No bills.

General Bills totaling \$149,504.59. Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$149,504.59; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. MC 7-0. Alderman Dennis Pardick was absent. No discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) Consideration of Mayor's appointment of Frank Titus and Matt Bell to the Public Recreation/Fishing Committee. Alderman Brandon Roderick motioned to approve the Mayor's appointment of Frank Titus and Matt Bell to the Public Recreation/Fishing Committee; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. MC 7-0. Alderman Dennis Pardick was absent.
- **B.)** Alderman John Carlson motioned to enter into executive Session to consider the employment/compensation of 1 or more city employees. MC 7-0. Alderman Dennis Pardick was absent.
- C.) Return to open session for the approval of employment/compensation of 1 or more city employees. Alderman Brandon Roderick motioned to approve the hiring of Victor Storm Crouch as a full time Police officer at the hourly wage of \$19.62 with full benefits. MC 7-0. Alderman Dennis Pardick was absent. City Clerk Carla Moxley administered the oath to Victor Storm Crouch.

Announcements/ additional comments: none

ADJOURN: Alderman John Carlson motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. Council was poled with 7 ayes/ 0 objections.

APPROVED

ATTEST