

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, December 12, 2016

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

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, absent
 Jr Alderman Jessalyn Davis, absent

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Chief Eric Hyatt, Police Officer Adam Rosendahl, Ross Brown (WGCY/Ford County Record), Gary Lutterbie, Daton Getty, E. Danielle Kraft, Kaleb Kraft, Mike Friend (Farnsworth).

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Gary Lutterbie.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Scott motioned to approve corrected the minutes of November 28, 2016; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson corrected the minutes to read that he had asked for the completed street light punch list. Randy Stauffer reported that the engineer has the list.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: Mike Friend of Farnsworth was present.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assist Peg Stalter reported that water bills would be mailed Dec. 15th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee – Alderman Jan Hall offered no report, but referred to new items on the agenda.

Street and Alley – Alderman John Carlson offered no report, but did state that he had received questions about continued leaf pickup. Randy Stauffer reported that leaf pickup was competed for the year after the first snowfall.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance –Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report. Chief Hyatt reported that 3 persons had applied for a peddlers license for giving information of ATT and UVerse service to residents.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee –Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report, but did refer to Item H in new business.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report. City Superintendent Randy Stauffer reported that the water plant is now operational and 1 remaining tank is being filled.

Parks and Buildings –Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report. Alderman Carlson reported that the entrance lights at the North Park need to be checked, as they are running 24 hrs./ day.

Economic and Industrial Development – No report.

CDAP – Admin Assist Peg Stalter offered no report.

Pool Board –Alderman Barb Yergler reported that the last meeting of this year will be held Wednesday, Dec. 14th.

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. Gary Lutterbie reminded residents that there is NO ice fishing allowed at the pond and that they are planning on putting in a garden in the spring to attract Monarch butterflies.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) **Consideration of Ameren Easement.** No action.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A.) **TIF 2 Bills** – Five (5) bills totaling \$ 198,316.27. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. Alderman John Carlson owns property in the TIF and abstained. MC 6-0/ 1 abstain. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.

B.) **TIF 3 bills** – One (1) bill for \$1051.82. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. Alderman Scott Davis owns property in the TIF and abstained. MC 6-0/1 abstain. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.

C.) **General Fund Bills** totaling \$138,053.80. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the general bills; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. Alderman Jan Hall questioned Chief Hyatt about the bill from CISAR, which is paid to hold unclaimed stray animals that are captured. Chief Hyatt reported that the city's agreement with the company is being worked out in order to decrease the number of payments and that he will find another company to do business with if the current agreement cannot continue. Alderman Dennis Pardick abstained stating he had done work for the city and presented a bill for same. MC 6-0/ 1 abstain. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) Consideration of North Park Playground Improvements.** Alderman Barb Yergler reported that Gene Everett of the Rotary Club has some possible changes to the design they are considering and asked to table this item to a future meeting.
- B.) Consideration of AECOM Application for Utility occupancy.** Randy Stauffer reported that this is an application for an easement for the sewer line to be put under the railroad and is part of the requirement. Alderman John Carlson motioned to approve the Mayor to complete the necessary application to AECOM, which oversees the railroad's engineering and management, including a one-time fee of \$2500.00; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.
- C.) Consideration of Amendment NO.1 to CSO Sewer Separation Phase 4 – North Park- design phase.** Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve Amendment No.1 to CSO Sewer Separation Phase 4- North Park- Design Phase, not to exceed \$15,400.00 with funds to be taken from TIF2; second by Alderman Nelda Jordan. Alderman John Carlson abstained, stating he owns property in the TIF. MC 6-0. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.
- D.) Consideration of Amendment No.1 to CSO Sewer Separation Phase 3B- State Street- Design phase.** Randy Stauffer reported that this phase involving State Street between 4th and 9th streets would include going under the railroad and additional cost is expected. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve Mayor Dickey to sign the Amendment No.1 to CSO Sewer Separation Phase 3B- State Street- Design Phase, for an additional cost of \$38,000.00 bringing the total to \$48,555.00; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0.
- E.) Consideration of Change Order No. 2 for the Downtown Lighting Project.** Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve Change Order #2 for the downtown lighting project; second by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 7-0.
- F.) Consideration of Ordinance 2016-O-17, amending the Revised Code of Ordinances for the City of Gibson to regulate the reimbursement of City Employees for Travel Expenses.** Attorney Marc Miller reported that a new statute requires that all municipalities adopt a provision allowing the mayor to approve reimbursement without prior council approval. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-O-17 allowing up to \$300.00 five (5) times a year per department without seeking council approval; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0. Mayor Dickey said that Randy Stauffer would be the designated official to approve reimbursement requests in his absence. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.
- G.) Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session to consider the Employment/ Compensation of 1 or more City Employees and to discuss Ordinance 2016-O-18; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0.**
- H.) Return to open session.**
- I.) Consideration of Ordinance 2016-O-18, amending the revised Code of Ordinances for the City of Gibson to change the residency requirements for City Employees.** Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-O-18, to allow city employees to live within 6 miles of City limits or within the school district and requiring that all City Vehicles remain within City limits during off work hours; second by Alderman Dennis Pardick. MC 7-0. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.
- J.) Consideration of the Employment/ Compensation of 1 or more City Employees.** Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to hire Kaleb Kraft to the Police Department at \$21.78/ hour, effective December 28, 2016, with the normal benefits; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0. Alderman Laura Miller was absent.
- K.) City Clerk Carla Moxley issued the Oath to Kaleb Kraft and the Council welcomed him.**

Announcements: City Clerk Carla Moxley announced that the petitions for the April 2017 Consolidated Election are now being accepted at the City Office from Dec 12 to Dec. 19 (8 am to 5pm). She also reminded everyone that the next council meeting is Tuesday, December 27, 2016 and that the City Office would be closed Monday, December 26th.

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

APPROVED

ATTEST