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### ZOOM MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY

Monday, December 14, 2020

**Call to order** at 7:02 pm via ZOOM by Mayor Dan Dickey. Mayor Dickey asked Alderman Scott Davis to record the meeting and make available to the City Clerk.

Ward #1 Susan Tongate, present; Greg Houtzel, present

Ward #2 Randy Wyant, present; Aaron Franks, absent

Ward #3 Scott Davis, present; Aaron Kafer, present

Ward #4 Dennis Pardick, present; Denis Fisher, present

Jr Alderman Abby Spiller, absent; Alex Kafer, absent

**Others present:** Administrative Assistant Peg Stalter, City Attorney Marc Miller, Chief Adam Rosendahl, Jan Hall (WGCY).

Pledge of Allegiance was not recited due to meeting being held via Zoom.

**Approval of Council Minutes:** Alderman Randy Wyant moved to approve the minutes of November 23, 2020; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. Alderman Aaron Kafer corrected the minutes to state that Jr. Alderman Alex Kafer was present. Alderman Randy Wyant and Alderman Susie Tongate amended their motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to make that correction. MC 7-0.

# Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: None

Treasurer's Report: No report

**Roll Call:** 

Administrative Report: Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report. City Clerk Carla Moxley reminded the Candidates for the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election to turn in their completed paperwork and petitions this week with the last day being Monday December 21<sup>st</sup>.

## **<u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>:**

Ordinance Committee – No report.

Street and Alley – Alderman Greg Houtzel offered no report.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Alderman Aaron Kafer offered no report.

Finance /Efficiency 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 Susie Tongate reported that the 'Christmas in the Park' had received good response and a lot of traffic participating in the 'reverse' parade for both nights. Her committee will be meeting Tuesday night to discuss.

Economic/Industrial Development –Alderman Denis Fisher offered no report.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

A.) Consideration of Paying for ½ of the Installation of the Basement Drain Line Check Valve at 320 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Alderman Randy Wyant reported that he spoke with Randy Stauffer who reported that no bill has been presented yet. Alderman Randy Wyant suggested tabling this item to a future meeting in order to gather additional information. Council agreed.

## APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A.) General Fund Bills for \$ 101,303.92. Alderman Denis Fisher moved to approve payment of the general bills; second by Alderman Alex Kafer. MC 7-0. Alderman Denis Fisher asked about the way the tree removing bills were being submitted, stating that it seems to be a method to circumvent a current Ordinance stating that jobs over \$20,000.00 need to put out for bid. Attorney Marc Miller stated that there is nothing wrong with the way of billing, in that each tree removal or trimming is considered a separate job.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- <u>A)</u> Consideration Ordinance 2020-O-13 concurring with a Technical correction to the Bloomington-Normal Enterprise Zone Boundary Amendment The Ferrero Expansion. Attorney Marc Miller reported that this Ordinance is correcting a Technical issue that was discovered. Alderman Dennis Pardick moved to approve Ordinance 2020-O-13 as presented; second by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 7-0.
- B) Consideration running a Sanitary Sewer Line Lateral Crossing 8<sup>th</sup> Street for CY Electric at 115 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Alderman Randy Wyant reported that CY Electric is occupying 115 E 8<sup>th</sup> Street and would like to add restrooms to the property, therefore needing sewer line access where there is currently none. Alderman Wyant moved to able this discussion to a future meeting so that more research can be done in ascertaining the best way to accomplish this project; second by Alderman Dennis Pardick. MC 7-0.

<u>C)</u> Consideration to purchase a K-9 dog for the Police Department. Chief Adam Rosendahl reported on the need for a K-9 dog in the Department, as more drug enforcement cases are coming to light. The dog would be trained in drug enforcement and tracking with Office Hunter Johnson. The dog (from Mid-Michigan Police K-9, LLC), training and officer training would cost approximately \$16,300 and would be funded by the department's asset forfeiture and DUI fund and travel and education account, with no expense to the city. Alderman Aaron Kafer moved to approve the purchase of the K-9 dog from Mid-Michigan Police K-9, LLC at \$13,500 with an additional \$2800 for training with the officer for 5 weeks, totaling \$16,300, out of available Department funds; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 7-0

Announcements: Alderman Susie Tongate reminded the Council that, according to IML guidelines, all Illinois employees are now required to take an Anti-Sexual Harassment Class.

Adjourn: Alderman Greg Houtzel moved to adjourn; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. Council was polled with 7 ayes/ 0 objections.

APPROVED

ATTEST