

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, February 22, 2016

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

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Dennis Pardick.

Roll Call:

Ward #1	Barb Yergler, present; Brandon Roderick, absent
Ward #2	Jan Hall, present; Nelda Jordan, present
Ward #3	John Carlson, present; Scott Davis, present
Ward #4	Dennis Pardick, present; Laura Miller, present
Jr Alderman Jessalyn Davis, present	

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin.Assistant Peg Stalter, Sergeant Adam Rosendahl, Jeanne Noellsch (News Gazette), Ross Brown (WGCY), City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Ed Day, Tom Townsend, Gary Lutterbie. Jacob Brewer (Eagle Scout Troop 29), and Greg Kerber.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve the minutes of February 8, 2016; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 7-0. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: Ed Day, 607 S Melvin St, GC, asked council permission to create a 5ft. rock parking area for 3 vehicles south to his property adjacent to 3rd street, 30' from the intersection to maintain visibility. The work would be done at his expense and he would allow drainage. Alderman John Carlson motioned to a gravel parking area on the south side of Ed Day's property, adjacent to 3rd street with Superintendent Randy Stauffer's supervision. Council was poled with 7 ayes.

Treasurer's Report: City Treasurer Scott Shull gave the Financial Report as of January, 2016.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee –Alderman Jan Hall offered no report, referring to new business.

Street and Alley – Alderman John Carlson offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported that the Hospital has requested the City to install 'no parking' signs on the south side of 18th Street along the North edge of the Gibson Hospital's employee Parking Lot approximately 200 feet from Hager to East Drive. They have made attempts to deter street parking in this area to no avail and have asked the city for assistance. The Council agreed to add the signage.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – No report.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Parks and Buildings –Alderman Barb Yergler called a committee meeting form Monday, February 29 at 6:00 pm at McMillen Field to tour the Concession and Restrooms, to determine repairs needed.

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

CDAP –Admin Assist Peg Stalter offered no report.

Pool Board –Alderman Barb Yergler reported from the Feb 17th meeting that the pool budget has been set at \$81,000.00 with a few repairs needed.

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. Eagle Scout Jacob Brewer of Troop 29 is raising additional monies to complete the project he is proposing, consisting of building 2 cedar board picnic tables and 3 benches for the Recreation Pond and housing for pond rules. Jacob is asking the Council for \$600.00, or a portion of, for this project. Council members determined the the funds would come from TIF4 funds. Committee Volunteer Chairman Gary Lutterbie reported that plans are to stock fish in the pond around March 18th at a cost of \$320.00 for 300 fish. He also presented a drawing requesting land within an additional 186 feet to the south, 178 feet to the north and 40 feet to the east of the pond's borders. The drawing was based only on a proposed plat map by engineers and not an actual property survey. Council members recommended that Randy Stauffer contact Moore Surveying and Mapping of Paxton for a quotation of the survey cost. These items will be addressed further by Council during the March meetings.

OLD BUSINESS: None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TIF2 bills: Two (2) TIF2 bills for \$12,948.84. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve the two (2) TIF2 bills totaling \$12,948.84; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. No discussion. Alderman John Carlson abstained stating he owns property in the TIF. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent. MC 6-0-1 abstain

TIF3 bills: Two (2) TIF 3 bills for \$3986.45. Alderman .Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the 2 TIF 3 bills for \$3986.45; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent. Aldermen Scott Davis and Laura Miller abstained stating they own property in the TIF. MC 5-0-2 abstain.

General Bills totaling \$100,732.09. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$100,732.09; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent. MC 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of cutting the curb at 511 W 8th Street. Alderman John Carlson motioned to allow Davis Welding to hire a professional company to remove the back of the barrier curb along 8th Street for access to a proposed new parking area in front of the building and an adjacent storage/building lot, to remove a ‘mostly dead’ City tree from the NW corner of their property, to install a storm water ‘catch basin’ and piping along the City Pine Street extended R.O.W. near the SE corner of the property and connect same piping to the existing City storm water inlet @ South side of 8th St with approval and guidance from the City Superintendent and at no cost to the City; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent. MC- 7 ayes.

B.) Consideration to start construction of CSO phase 3A and the payment in full of the project on May 1, 2016 if: 1.) the project is completed and 2) the Engineers have approved the payment. \$208,000.00 has been previously approved for this project and is in the current budget. Randy Stauffer reported that work should begin immediately with the area to be affected in near 5th and West streets. Randy Stauffer also reported that this year marks the 6th year in the 12 year project plan. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve starting construction of CSO phase 3A and payment in full by May 1, 2016 if 1) the project is completed and 2) the Engineers have approved payment; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent. MC 7-0.

C.) Consideration of adding Veteran’s Day as an additional employee paid holiday. Mayor Dickey reported that he had been approached by employees to add Veteran’s Day as an extra paid holiday (currently 9 paid Holidays). Council members discussed the request with only 2 members in favor. The item died due to the lack of a motion.

D.) Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session for the limited purpose of discussing litigation of the tax appeal of One Earth Energy; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent. MC 7-0.

E.) Return to open session.

Announcements: None.

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

APPROVED

ATTEST