

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, January 11, 2016

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

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

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, Police Chief Steve Cushman, Jean Noellsch (News Gazette), Ross Brown (WGCY), City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Greg Cook.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Laura Miller.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the corrected minutes of December 28, 2015; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. Corrections to the minutes were to clarify the TIF2 and TIF3 bills, that being TIF2 \$169,000.00 to repay the city general funds for Hollybrook loan and TIF3 \$10,00.00 as the final payment of the old electronics building on 1st Street. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: No visitors.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee –Alderman Jan Hall offered no report.

Street and Alley – No report.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Brandon Roderick offered no report. .Chief Cushman reported that the Departments new recruit has started the academy.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis reported on the January 7th committee meeting, which discussed the \$250,000.00 issue for IDOT, concerning the Melvin Street project in 2008. .

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick reported on the January 7th committee meeting.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported he has ordered parts to rebuild the pump at the sewer plant and plans on doing the work themselves.

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 \$121,095.51.

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 reported a meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 6:30 at City Hall.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) **Consideration of an ordinance establishing traffic control regulations.** Tabled until after the January 26th committee meeting.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TIF2 bills: One (1) TIF2 bill for \$ 136.50. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve the one (1) TIF2 bill totaling \$ 136.50; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 7-0. No discussion. Alderman John Carlson was absent.

General Bills totaling \$90,510.51. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$90,510.51; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. Alderman Jan Hall reported that the Forestry line item is over budget by approximately \$5000.00. It was suggested to pay the overage out of the emergency line item in the budget. Alderman Nelda Jordan and Jan Hall expressed concerns of using the emergency fund, in case of a large storm or other emergency needs arise. Following discussion, Alderman Nelda Jordan restated her motion to approve the bills as presented with the exception that the forestry bill for \$11,500.00 and the \$1,520.00 to Tom Barrow be paid from the balance of the forestry account with the overage to be paid from the emergency line item; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) Consideration to authorize Mayor to sign final plans, specifications and estimate (PS&S) for the Lott Blvd. pavement resurfacing project (section 15-00034-00RS).** Greg Cook of Farnsworth explained the need for Mayor to sign the required papers in order to move forward with the Lott Blvd. project. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign final plans, specifications and estimate (PS&E) for the Lott Blvd. pavement resurfacing project (section 15-0034-00RS); seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent.
- B.) Consideration to authorize Farnsworth to expend up to \$5,433.00 for the bidding process for the Lott Blvd. pavement resurfacing project.** Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve up to \$5,433.00 to Farnsworth for the bidding process of the Lott Blvd. pavement resurfacing project; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent. .
- C.) Consideration to advertise the Lott Blvd. pavement resurfacing project for bids upon receipt of final approval of the final PS&E from IDOT.** Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve advertising for the Lott Blvd pavement resurfacing project upon final approval from IDOT; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent.
- D.) Consideration of amended budget and appropriation ordinance of the City of Gibson City, IL for 2015-2016.** Because IDOT has lost the reports and information concerning the Melvin Street project and the originals can not be located, IDOT is delaying approval of the plans for Lott Blvd. until such time that the Melvin Street project is finalized. Alderman Nelda Jordan asked if there was anything in writing from IDOT that they would finalize the Melvin Street project if the City moved funds from the General Funds to the MFT account. Attorney Marc Miller stated that the amendment to the Ordinance would be the least expensive way to satisfy IDOT requirements and still remain with legal parameters. Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-O-01, amending the budget and appropriation ordinance of the City of Gibson City, IL for 2015-2016; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. MC-6-1. Alderman Jan Hall voted against. Alderman John Carlson was absent.
- E.) Consideration of Ordinance revising the City of Gibson City's code of Ordinance to provide for Municipal Utility Taxes.** Alderman Jan Hall motioned to hold this item to a future meeting in order to gather additional information from local taxing bodies; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. MC 7 ayes. Alderman John Carlson was absent.
- F.)** Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session to consider the employment and compensation of 1 or more City employees; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent.
- G.)** Return to open session for the approval of employment and compensation of 1 or more City Employees. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to hire former Street and Alley employee Rich Nolte at \$18.45/ hour with all the benefits that was available to him during his previous employment, including 3 weeks vacation; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 7-0. Alderman John Carlson was absent.

Announcements: Mayor Dickey asked for a moment of silence in honor of Former Mayor Karen Rhodes, who passed on Sunday, January 10, 2016.

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

APPROVED

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