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## MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY

Monday, January 25, 2021

**Call to order** by Mayor Daniel Dickey at 7:00 pm. In the absence of City Clerk Carla Moxley, Mayor appointed Jan Hall to take minutes of this meeting.

**Roll Call:**

Ward #1	Susan Tongate, present; Greg Houtzel, present
Ward #2	Randy Wyant, present; Aaron Franks, present
Ward #3	Scott Davis, present; Aaron Kafer, absent
Ward #4	Dennis Pardick, absent; Denis Fisher, present
Jr Alderman	Abby Spiller, absent; Alex Kafer, absent

**Others present:** Chief Adam Rosendahl, Marty Nuss (Chairman of the Zoning Board), Justine and Cory Holt of 606 N Sangamon, Jan Hall (WGCY), Mike Friend (Farnsworth Group) and Eagle Scout Brodie Doman and his parents.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Eagle Scout Brodie Doman.

**Approval of Council Minutes:** The minutes were approved as submitted.

**Mayor Dickey recognized visitors:** Mike Friend of Farnsworth.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** No administrative or committee reports this meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- A.) Consideration running a Sanitary Sewer Line Lateral Crossing 8th Street for CY Electric at 115 E. 8th Street.** Supt Randy Stauffer reported that there has not been much further done on the locating due to weather and Alderman Randy Wyant stated he had talked with Craig Young, CY Electric, and it will probably be spring before more action is needed. Mayor Dickey asked to remove the item from old business until further notice from Supt Stauffer on progress. Council agreed.

### APPROVAL OF BILLS:

- A.) Approval of TIF2 Bills – One (1) check totaling \$65,980.77.** Alderman Denis Fisher explained that a corrected amount of \$65,980.77 is presented because at the last meeting a check of \$72,641.30 was written to Phillips Warner, but it was voided and replaced with the current amount. Alderman Fisher moved to approve the new TIF2 amount of \$65,980.77; second by Alderman Aaron Franks. MC 5-0. Alderman Greg Houtzel abstained, stating he owns property in the TIF.
- B.) General Fund Bills for \$ 113,908.08.** Alderman Denis Fisher moved to approve payment of the general bills; second by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 6-0.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- A) Eagle Scout Brodie Doman** presented his project of building and placing 2 flag retirement drop-off boxes in town. One will be located on Sangamon at the American Legion and the other at the Scout Cabin on North Melvin Street. Brodie has the materials donated and is simply requesting permission. The boxes will be made of stainless steel, painted and labeled. The Scout troops will be maintaining the boxes and holding retirement ceremonies at the Scout Cabin periodically. All Aldermen present and Mayor Dickey showed support for the Eagle Scout Project and thanked Brodie Doman. Mayor Dickey signed the acceptance of the plan with full council approval.
- B) Marty Nuss, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals,** informed the council that the Zoning Board had met last Thursday evening and heard the appeal from the Holts, of 606 N Sangamon. (NE corner of 13<sup>th</sup> & Sangamon). Their request is to erect a fence within 4 feet of the city sidewalk. Original building permit was denied due to Zoning requirement 40-8-8, yard areas, requiring a 10' side yard on a corner lot. Zoning Board approved their request and is presenting the same to the Council for final approval. Mayor Dickey asked what their reason for not being able to maintain the required footage, and the Holts stated that they want the fence to keep the children and pets in their yard. No further questions. Alderman Randy Wyant moved to approve the Zoning Board recommendation to allow the variance at 606 N Sangamon as requested; second by Alderman Greg Houtzel. MC 6-0.
- C) Consideration of CSO Phase 5 bid.** Supt Randy Stauffer reported that the bid opening was held on January 12<sup>th</sup> @ 10 am., 9 bids were reviewed, ranging from \$472,000 to \$780,032, and he recommends the City accept the low bid from Iroquois Paving, Watseka, IL, in the amount of \$472,000.00. Mayor Dickey stated that the bid is \$178,000 lower than the last engineer's estimate the Council had approved on October 12, 2020. Funds will be split between the Sewer Operating Fund and 49% coming from TIF2. This is the final phase of the Sewer Separation Project that started in 2012. Alderman Scott Davis, Chairman of Finance, will present final complete costs to the council at the completion of this Phase. Alderman Randy Wyant moved to accept the low bid from Iroquois Paving, not to exceed \$472,000; second by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 6-0.

**Announcements/Comments:**

- 1.) Chief Rosendahl reported a donation of \$1500.00 from MCS toward the canine and \$3000.00 from GAHS that will be an annual donation as long as the department has a canine.
- 2.) Alderman Susie Tongate announced that she is working with the Sesquicentennial committee on behalf of the council. Their plan is to have information of Facebook and events are planned throughout the year rather than have one big celebration.
- 3.) Alderman Aaron Franks asked Supt Stauffer about the status of repair/ replacement of fencing at the Railside Estates pump station and requested an updated timetable for this project. Council had approved the bid from SK Fencing in the amount not to exceed \$14,900.00 on October 12, 2020. Supt Stauffer will call SK Fencing and report at the next meeting.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm Submitted by Jan Hall.

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