REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY Monday, July 14, 2014

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

Roll Call: Ward #1 Barb Yergler, present; Dean Kidd, present

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 Faith Duke, absent

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Officer Eric Hyatt, Patti Welander (Gibson City Courier), Ryan Ferguson (Paxton Record and New Gazette), Debbie McCullough (WGCY radio), Bill Kruse.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderwoman Barb Yergler.

Approval of Council Minutes: Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the minutes of June 23, 2014; seconded by Laura Miller. MC 7-0. No discussion.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: 1.) Mr. Knox of the judging committee of the downtown planters reported that the planters are being very well taken care of and adds to the downtown area. He reported the winners of the contest as 1st place (\$200.00) Bayern Stube, 2nd place (\$125.00) Scott's Pharmacy and 3rd place (\$75.00) Anderson Ford..

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Peg Stalter offered no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee – Jan Hall offered no report. A committee meeting is called for Wednesday, July 16 at 7:00 pm.

Streets and Alley – John Carlson again reminded everyone that it is mowing season and grass clippings are not to be mowed into the streets, as per City Ordinance. Following the recent large amount of rain, it is important that grass clippings not be left in the streets to clog up the drains. Randy Stauffer reported that spray patching is scheduled to begin. Oil and chip project has begun.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Officer Hyatt reported that the department is in need of a new squad car and will present details at the next meeting.

Finance Committee – Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Dennis Pardick called a closed committee meeting for 7:00 pm, Mon., July 21. **Water and Sewer** – Randy Stauffer reported that the new equipment at the water plant has been installed and is working fine.

Parks and Buildings – Barb Yergler asked that a picnic bench or seats be placed at the South Park near the play area. She also reported receiving a request from ACT theater group that picnic tables be removed from the Pavilion prior to July 25th and bleachers put in.

Economic and Industrial Development – Laura Miller offered no report.

CDAP –.Peg Stalter reported all accounts are current with a balance of \$156,238.19.

Pool Board – Dean Kidd reported that Burbach is coming to meet with the Board on Tuesday, July 15, to discuss fundraising ideas.

Recycling Board– Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Downtown Committee – Barb Yergler reported that the committee will meet Thursday, July 17 to review the survey that been taken concerning downtown area.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance (2014-O-09) for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Scott Davis motioned to approve Ordinance 2014-O-09: seconded by Dennis Pardick. MC 7-1. John Carlson voting against.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TIF 2 bills: Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the 7 (seven) TIF2 bills for \$ 798,533.20; seconded by Laura Miller. MC 7-0. John Carlson, who owns property in the TIF, abstained.

TIF 3 bills: Dean Kidd motioned to approve the 1 (one) TIF3 bill for \$4324.98: seconded by John Carlson. MC 6-0. Laura Miller and Scott Davis own property in the TIF and abstained.

General Bills: Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$574,915.10; seconded by John Carlson. MC. 8-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **A.**) Consideration of Ordinance (2014-O-10) amending the golf cart Ordinance. Barb Yergler motioned to table this item for more research; seconded by John Carlson. MC 7-1. Dennis Pardick voting against.
- **B.**) Consideration and approval of property donation at 127 N. Lott. Blvd. Dennis Pardick motioned to approve and accept a property donation of 127 N. Lott Blvd, Gibson City, IL; seconded by Dean Kidd. MC. 8-0.
- C.) Consideration of decorative block between curb and sidewalk at 902 N. Lott. Blvd. After discussion, Jan Hall motioned to give approval to the homeowner to install decorative block at 902 N. Lott Blvd. or the city will plant a low growing groundcover: seconded by Laura Miller. Council poled with 8 ayes / 0 nays.
- **D.**) Consideration of a 1 day liquor license for the Kruse Center on July 19th in conjunction with the Greyhound Festival. Dennis Pardick motioned to approve the 1 day liquor license, allowing alcohol to be consumed within a fenced area at the Kruse Center for the duration of the event, at a fee of \$1.00; seconded by Jan Hall. MC 8 ayes/0 nays.
- **E.)** Consideration of Rotary Club's request for the Mayor to sign the sponsorship form. After discussion, Barb Yergler motioned to approve the Resolution of Authorization form and development grant application to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the North Park Playground; seconded by Dean Kidd. MC. 8-0.

Announcements: A request from the Bible Church, Gibson City, asking for a 3rd plié of dirt to help fill in the area where a new Pavilion is being erected. Council approved the request.

ADJOURN: Dennis Pardick motioned to adjourn; seconded by Jan Hall.

Council was poled with 8 ayes/ 0 objections.

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ATTEST