

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, July 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Daniel 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, absent; Laura Miller, present
 Jr Alderman Jessalyn Davis, present

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Laura Miller.

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Chief Steve Cushman, Ross Brown(WGCY/Paxton Record), Gary Lutterbie, Steven Kelly (One Earth Energy), Dennis Troyer (American Legion 568), Harry Groom (Corn Belt Shrine Club), Marc Petersen (The Sand Trap).

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the minutes of July 11, 2016; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. MC 6-0.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: 1.) Harry Groom of the Corn Belt Shrine Club asked that 9th Street between Sangamon and the Rail Road crossing be closed on August 13th from 10 am to early evening for their Annual Golf Cart Run going to 5 stops in town before ending at the American Legion for the meal and silent auction as a fundraiser. Council approved. 2.) Steven Kelley asked the council about the progress of previous discussion of One Earth Energy. It was reported that the county is having a computer glitch with TIF2 and other issues and is unable to proceed at present.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assist Peg Stalter reported the CIMOA meeting on Thursday, July 21 at the Bayern Stube and hosted by the Council of Gibson City was attended by approx. 70 persons.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee –Alderman Jan Hall asked Randy Stauffer about any building permits recently. Mr. Stauffer reported that permits for 1 new duplex and 2 new houses located in the Falcon Point subdivision had recently been received.

Street and Alley – Randy Stauffer reported that the Lott Blvd. project is nearing completion with the asphalt done and stripping to be done by Tuesday. He also reported that Alamo has asked the city to clean the storm drains on their site. .

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance –Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report. Police Chief Cushman reported that the Park cameras are working with hopes that any remaining issues with the camera will be solved within a few days. He also reported that the cameras can be accessed on both computers and mobile devices.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee –No report.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan reported that meters are currently being read for the next billing cycle.

Parks and Buildings –Alderman Barb Yergler reported that the BR floors at the Park needs to cleaned and reminded Randy to put the ‘Bear’ at the State Street Park.

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

CDAP – Admin Assist Peg Stalter no report.

Pool Board –Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

Recycling Board– Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Downtown Committee – Alderman Barb Yergler reported the new lights have been installed and are operational.

Public Recreation/Fishing Committee-Gary Lutterbie reported that the trash receptacles will be installed by Friday and plans for new trees to be planted this winter or spring.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of replacing the fence around the wastewater lift-station at Railside Drive. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve option 2, a 6’ fence, to be paid for with TIF2 funds at a cost not to exceed \$6330.00; second by Alderman Barb Yergler. MC 6-0.

B.) Consideration to allow sidewalk seating at downtown restaurants. This item will be further discussed at the Aug 8th meeting.

C.) Consideration of application for the ‘Lighted Christmas Parade’. This item was held to the August 8th meeting.

D.) Consideration of an application for the ‘Octoberfest’ event. This item was held to the August 8th meeting.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

- A.) **TIF 2 Bills** – Two (2) bills totaling \$ 1,067.13. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the (2) TIF2 bills; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 6-0.
- B.) **General Fund Bills** totaling \$ 116,663.66. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve the general bills; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) **Consideration of Special Liquor License for the American Legion in conjunction with the Corn Belt Shrine Club Golf Cart Run.** Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve a one day Special License for the American Legion in conjunction with the Corn Belt Shrine Club Golf Cart Run on August 13 from 2pm to 11pm with alcohol being sold inside the Legion, but allowed taken outside to the fenced area on 9th Street between Ace Hardware and the Legion for a fee of \$1.00; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 5-0. Alderman Laura Miller abstained, stating conflict of interest.
- B.) **Consideration of Special Liquor License for the Sand Trap in conjunction with the Harvest Fest on October 8th.** Alderman Brandon Roderick motioned to approve a one day Special Liquor License to Sand Trap in conjunction with Harvest Fest on October 8th from 11:00 am to midnight with alcohol being served in a fenced tent located at 101 E 8th Street for a fee of \$1.00; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 5-0. Alderman Laura Miller abstained, stating conflict of interest. .
- C.) **Consideration of Ordinance 2016-O-10, amending an ordinance describing and designating an area as an enterprise zone (Distihl Brewery).** Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-O-10 as presented; seconded by Alderman Barb Yergler. MC 6-0.
- D.) **Consideration of Ordinance 2016-O-11, amending the city employee benefits.** This ordinance states the newly negotiated agreement that full time non union city employees will receive 20 hours of personal time off, instead of 16 hours and Veterans Day will be considered a day off. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-O-11, amending the benefits to all fulltime non-union city employees; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 6-0.
- E.) **Consideration of Spray Patch Bids.** Randy Stauffer reported receiving 2 bids for consideration. Randy reported they have until October for the remainder of oil and patch with the city providing the rock. Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve the bid from AMZ Road Repair for \$6.00 per gallon, not to exceed \$40,000.00; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 6-0.

Announcements: Alderman Scott Davis thanked Susie Tongate and Miranda Leonard for the spearheading the ‘Our Town’ segments on WCIA TV, Champaign. It was also announced that Moyer District Library will be hosting a ‘Town Hall’ meeting on August 4th from 5-6 pm.

ADJOURN: Alderman Jan Hall motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. Council was poled with 6 ayes/ 0 objections.

APPROVED

ATTEST