

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY

Monday, June 25, 2018

Call to order at 7:00 pm by City Clerk Carla C. Moxley, in the absence of Mayor Dickey.

Roll Call: Ward #1 Susan Tongate, present; Greg Houtzel, present
Ward #2 Randy Wyant, present; Nelda Jordan, present
Ward #3 Doug Parsons, present; Scott Davis, present
Ward #4 Dennis Pardick, present; Laura Miller, present

Jr Alderman Abby Spiller, present; Jr. Alderman Mady Schutte, absent

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, City Treasurer Scott Shull, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Officer Bob Jones, Ross Brown (WGCY), Carol Thilmony (Ford County Record), Mike Friend (Farnsworth Group), Steve Anderson and Denny Troyer (American Legion), Daton Getty (Getty Lawncare), Debra Stewart (Bayern Stube), Jaclyn Friedley, Ben Nelson and Erin Baker of Apex Clean Energy, Jan Hall, Miranda Leonard and Kevin Seymour.

City Clerk Carla Moxley called for a motion to approve Alderman Scott Davis as Mayor Pro-tem for this meeting, in the absence of Mayor Dickey. Motioned made by Alderman Laura Miller; 2nd by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 8 ayes/ 0 nays.

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Alderman Nelda Jordan.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the regular council minutes of June 11, 2018; seconded by Alderman Randy Wyant. **MC 8-0.**

Mayor pro-tem Scott Davis recognized visitors: 1.) Mike Friend of Farnsworth was making his monthly visit.

Treasurer's Report: City Treasurer Scott Shull presented the City's Financial Report as of May 31, 2018. Council accepted the report with no questions or discussion.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Street and Alley –Alderman Doug Parsons received a request to place a sign at MCS to prohibit semis from using jack brakes in the area.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance –Alderman Greg Houtzel offered no report.

Finance Committee –Alderman Scott Davis reported that the numbers for TIF had been received at the office today. A special meeting will be called to discussion the budget for 2018-2019. He will notify members of the date.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report.

Water and Sewer - Alderman Randy Wyant offered no report. City Superintendent Randy Stauffer reported that the 100,000 gal water tower will be up and running Tuesday.

Parks / Buildings / Technology – Alderman Susie Tongate offered no report.

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

OLD BUSINESS: none

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A.) **TIF #2 bills---One (1) TIF #2 bill totaling \$600.00.** Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve payment of one (1) TIF #2 bill; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. **MC 7-0 with Alderman Greg Houtzel abstaining, stating he lives in the TIF.**

B.) **General Fund Bills totaling \$116,299.14.** Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve payment of the general bills; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. **MC 8-0.**

New Business:

- A.) Discussion, consideration, and approval of Special Liquor License for the Bayern Stube in conjunction with the Friday Night Cruise Main Street events July 20, August 17 and September 21.** Debra Stewart of the Bayern Stube requested a special license for alcohol service on the above dates in conjunction with serving food. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve a one day liquor license for the Bayern Stube to allow alcohol service with food in a fenced area outside the business as approved by the Police Department from 5:30 to 9:00 pm on July 20, August 17 and September. 21 at a fee of \$1.00 per day; second by Alderman Doug Parsons. MC 7-0. Alderman Laura Miller abstained, stating conflict of interest.
- B.) Discussion, Consideration and Approval of Special Liquor License for the American Legion on August 11th in conjunction with the Jeremy Turner Benefit.** Steve Anderson of the American Legion requested a Special Liquor License for August 11th from noon to midnight in the tented fenced area on 9th street between Ace Hardware and the Legion building. He reported that the Legion has also obtained a Raffle license for the event. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve a Special Liquor License to the American Legion to allow service of alcohol outside in an area on 9th street between Sangamon on the East to the Alleyway to the west and allowing for a fenced in beer tent as approved by the Police Department, in conjunction with the Jeremy Turner Benefit from noon to midnight at a fee of \$1.00; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. MC 7-0. Alderman Laura Miller abstained, stating conflict of interest.
- C.) Presentation by Apex Clean Energy on the Ford Ridge Wind Project.** Project manager Erin Baker and Representatives Jaclyn Friedley and Ben Nelson gave a presentation concerning the Ford Ridge Wind Project in Sibley and North of the Railside Golf Course with an estimated 120 turbines to be installed. They reported that landowners in the area have expressed interest.
- D.) Consideration of Purchase a Police Vehicle.** Alderman Susie Tongate motioned to approve the purchase of a fully loaded 2012 Chevy Impala from Atwood, not to exceed \$9000.00 from Police Department funds; second by Alderman Doug Parsons. MC 8-0.
- E.) Consideration of Resolution 2018-R-02, to renaming the West Park Ballfield as Roy Roemer Ballfield.** Miranda Leonard thanked the council for their consideration of this request. Alderman Greg Houtzel motioned to approve renaming West Park to Roy Roemer Ballfield; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. MC 8-0.
- F.) Consideration of Ordinance 2018-O-06, amending Chapter 3 (Animals) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gibson City, in connection with the Regulation of Domestic Chicken Hens, and Rabbits within the City of Gibson City.** Agreed changes to the Ordinance would include allowing ownership of 6 hens or 6 rabbits or some combination of the 2. Since chicks could hatch and rabbits have babies, the offspring will be allowed on the property up to 2 months. The Council decided that both hen and rabbit owners must apply for a permit and pay a one-time fee of \$25.00. Alderman Doug Parson motioned to approve Ordinance 2018-O-06 with the agreed changes; second by Alderman Greg Houtzel. MC 8-0.
- G.) Consideration of an Ordinance, pertaining to Food Trucks operating within the City of Gibson City.** This item was tabled to the next meeting in order to obtain more information. Council agreed with 8 ayes.
- H.) Consideration of Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Gibson City for 2018-2019.** Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to continue the public hearing to the July 9th meeting; second by Alderman Greg Houtzel. MC 8-0

Announcements: none

ADJOURN: Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Randy Wyant. Council was poled with 8 ayes/ 0 against. MC

APPROVED

ATTEST