

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, June 8, 2015

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

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

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Chief Steve Cushman, Deb McCullough (WGCY radio), Ryan Ferguson (News Gazette/Paxton Record), Jim Hoffman, Frank Titus, Sharon Heavilin, Jewel Lewis, Greg Cook.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Attorney Marc Miller.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve the minutes of May 28, 2015; seconded by Alderman Barb Yergler. MC 7-0. No discussion.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: 1.) Jim Hoffman asked the status of the Lott Blvd. project. Mayor Dickey stated that he had signed the agreement for additional services for additional engineering for the radius changes. Greg Cook reported that the updates to the plans should be submitted to the City and IDOT for approval by the end of this week. The engineering plans stand for next year as well. Alderman Dennis Pardick stated his opinion that the project should be set and put to bid in February rather than late in the year and that Randy Stauffer has stated that he feels that approximately \$200,000.00 would be saved if the city workers would take out the median in preparation for the project, based on earlier project estimates. Nothing definite has been decided on this matter. Mayor Dickey stated that, in his opinion, it is too late to set the project out for bid this late in the year and that committee meetings concerning this project should be done early in the year with the project set to obtain bids by February/March. Mayor feels that at least 1 block of the Blvd. should be saved. Jim Hoffman reminded Mayor Dickey of previous conversations about this project. Mayor Dickey stated that he would put his comments in writing. Mayor Dickey would like to see the City Workers remove the median this year with Engineer specifications, and prepare to put the project to bid in February, 2016. 2.) Jewel Lewis announced the Monster Dash 5K Fun Run (in the dark), (a project for the GCMS Education Foundation) to be held beginning at the North Park on October 10, 2015 at 7:00 pm. The course will be the same as the 5K which has been previously approved. Luminaries will be used and she will work with Chief Cushman and Superintendent Randy Stauffer. Council approved the project.

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 – John Carlson that he has received requests from residents on Meadow Rue Drive east of the school to erect signs ‘School Zone’ and speed zone signs. Superintendent Stauffer commented that there are no sidewalks in that subdivision and the children have to walk in the street. Chief Cushman stated his department will investigate the concerns of the residents and report back to council.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Chief Cushman reported his concerns of comments on Social Media and asked that if there are comments or complaints, to contact the department directly. .

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report and referred to Item C on the agenda.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Parks and Buildings –Alderman Barb Yergler called a committee meeting for Thursday, June 18 at 7 pm to review bids received and opened that day at 11:00 am.

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

CDAP – City Admin Assist Peg Stalter offered no report.

Pool Board –Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report.

Recycling Board– Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Downtown Committee – Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

OLD BUSINESS: none

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TIF2 bills: One (1) TIF2 bill for \$1150.50. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve the one (1) TIF2 bill for \$1150.50; seconded by Alderman Laura Miller. MC 6-0. Alderman John Carlson owns property in the TIF and abstained. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent.

General Bills totaling \$106,774.23: Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve the general bills; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. MC 7-0. Alderman Brandon Roderick was absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration Ordinance 2015-O-05, amending water and sewer rates. Alderman Nelda Jordan motioned to approve Ordinance 2015-O-05, amending the water and sewer rates to the increase of 25% across the board; second by Alderman Laura Miller. MC 7-1. Alderman John Carlson voted against. Alderman Brandon Roderick arrived prior to the vote.

B.) Consideration of an Inducement Resolution (proposed Gibson City Tax Increment TIF District IV redevelopment project.). Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Resolution 2015-R-02 as written and presented; seconded by Alderman John Carlson. MC 8-0.

C.) Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session to consider the employment/compensation of 1 or more City Employees; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 8-0.

D.) Return to open session to approve the employment/compensation of 1 or more City Employees. No motion at this time.

ADJOURN: Alderman John Carlson motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. Council was poled with 7 ayes/ 0 objections. Alderman Scott Davis was called away during the Executive session.

APPROVED

ATTEST