

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, November 27, 2017

Call to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Dan Dickey

Roll Call: Ward #1 Susan Tongate, present; Brandon Roderick, 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, absent

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, City Treasurer Scott Shull, Admin. Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Officer Kaleb Kraft, Ross Brown (Ford County Record and WGCY).

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Alderman Brandon Roderick.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the minutes of November 13, 2017 with correction that Aldermen Dennis Pardick and Brandon Roderick were present; seconded by Alderman Dennis Pardick. **MC 8-0.**

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: none

Treasurer's Report: City Treasurer Scott Shull presented the Financial Report as of October 31, 2017.

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 offered no report.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Alderman Brandon Roderick and Officer Kraft offered no reports.

Finance Committee –Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report, but referred to new business items B and C.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Randy Wyant offered no report. Superintendent Stauffer reported that the water tower painting is complete and that pictures might be taken with a drone for a water tower contest.

Parks / Buildings / Technology – Alderman Susie Tongate reported that the new city app is up and running smoothly with 135 registered as app users and the app has been downloaded 417 times. She also requested that the city purchase a \$45.00 advertisement for a special newspaper section about the GCHS High School football team, which won the 2A State Football Championship last weekend Council gave preliminary approval for the ad.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of Tree Removal at 412 E 3rd Street. Alderman Doug Parsons reported that he has been in contact with Mrs. Cole concerning the city tree removal at her residence at 412 E 3rd street which she wants removed at her expense and will replace with a new tree after renovation that is approved by the city. Alderman Parsons motioned to approve the agreement with the City concerning the tree removal by resident Beverly Cole at 412 E 3rd street and authorize the Mayor to agree to and insert a completion date, date the agreement and sign on behalf of the city; second by Alderman Dennis Pardick. **MC 8-0.**

B.) Discussion, consideration and approval of Tax Levy Ordinance 2017-O-19, of the City of Gibson City for 2017-2018. Mayor Dickey and Attorney Marc Miller reported that this will be the 3rd year that the tax levy has not increased, while other communities have increased their Tax Levy at least 2%. Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve Ordinance 2017-O-19 as presented; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. **MC 8-0.**

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A.) TIF #2 bills - One (1) bill totaling \$ 140.69. Alderman Brandon Roderick motioned to approve payment of the 1 TIF2 bill; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. **MC 8-0.**

B.) General Fund Bills totaling \$ 99,564.01. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve payment of the general bills; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. **MC 8-0.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) Discussion, Consideration and approval bids for the City Truck. Superintendent Stauffer reported he had received 1 bid from Tim Milton for \$1,377.00 for the council to consider. Alderman Doug Parsons motioned to approve Tim Milton's bid of \$1,377.00 for the city truck that is in disrepair; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. **MC 8-0.**

B.) Discussion, Consideration and Approval of City Employee year-end adjustments. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve city employee year end adjustments of \$75.00 for full time and \$40.00 for part-time; second by Alderman Laura Miller. **MC 8-0.**

C.) Discussion, Consideration and Approval of employment/compensation of 1 or more city employees. Superintendent Stauffer reported that Water Plant operator Mark Webster has completed the requirements for a Class 3 license and is eligible for a \$1.00 per hour raise, effective November 7th. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve a \$1.00/hour raise for Mark Webster, retroactive to November 7th; second by Alderman Brandon Roderick. **MC 8-0.**

D.) Consideration of Ordinance 2017-O-20, approving the granting of a Transmission Easement of Ameren for City Property located near the City Water-Sewer Plant. Superintendent Stauffer reported that Ameren put up taller poles last year near a 20-acre parcel south of the plant owned by the city and has asked for a 50ft of easement in order to perform maintenance work. He stated that the area is at the back of the property, is used for farming and that the city spreads sludge into the soil. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve Ordinance 2017-O-20 as presented; second by Alderman Randy Wyant. **MC 8-0.**

E.) Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to enter into Executive Session to approve Executive Session Minutes; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. **MC 8-0.**

F.) Return to regular session. Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve 2017 Executive Session Minutes from April 24, June 12, July 10, July 24, August 14, and August 28; second by Alderman Susie Tongate. **MC 8-0.**

Announcements/Comments: Mayor Dickey announced that he would be appointing a 2nd Jr. Alderman at the next meeting.

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ADJOURN: Alderman Brandon Roderick motioned to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Doug Parsons. Council was poled with 8 ayes/ 0 objections.

APPROVED

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