

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, October 12, 2015

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

Roll Call:	Ward #1	Barb Yergler, present; Brandon Roderick, 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

Others present: City Attorney Marc Miller, Admin, Assistant Peg Stalter, City Superintendent Randy Stauffer, Police Chief Steve Cushman, Patti Welander (Gibson City Courier), Deb McCullough (WGCY Radio), Jean Noellsch (News Gazette/Paxton Record), Susie Tongate, Jayne Tjardes.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Barb Yergler.

Approval of Council Minutes: Alderman Dennis Pardick motioned to approve the minutes of September 28, 2015; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 8-0. No discussion.

Mayor Dickey recognized visitors: Susie Tongate and Jayne Tjardes.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Administrative Report: Admin Assistant Peg Stalter offered no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee –Alderman Jan Hall reported that a request has been received for a Stop Sign of similar sign for State and 5th street. She then referred to agenda items under new business.

Street and Alley – Alderman John Carlson reported that the holes in the pavement from erecting the large tent on 8th street for the Harvest Festival were not filled correctly and need to be properly filled to prevent potholes and further damage to the street. Randy Stauffer reported that the Lott Blvd. project is underway to remove the medians, under supervision as planned. Concrete should be poured within the week on the first section. A cost of \$3000.00 per block to drill holes has been added to the project. This item will be considered at the next meeting. Randy also reported that leaf pick-up by the City will begin in a couple of weeks.

Police/Health, Light and Nuisance – Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report. Chief Cushman reported that the Weekend of the Harvest Festival went well. He also reported that the person who made a bomb threat at the Middle School has been apprehended.

Finance Committee – Alderman Scott Davis offered no report.

Personnel Committee – Alderman Dennis Pardick offered no report.

Water and Sewer – Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report. Randy Stauffer reported that the Water Towers have been cleaned and the Water meter reading for the next billing has been almost completed, with the billing to go out around October 15th. He also reported that Alamo has requested permission to paint a large "A" on the water tower on their property, although the tower belongs to the city. Council approved this request.

Parks and Buildings –Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

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

CDAP – Admin Assist Peg Stalter reported that all accounts are current with a balance of \$115,298.91. She also reported that Country Kettle has paid off their loan in full.

Pool Board –Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report.

Recycling Board– Alderman Nelda Jordan offered no report.

Downtown Committee – Alderman Barb Yergler offered no report, but did inquire about the Loy Building being painted. Through donations of time and labor from local businesses and residents the project was completed and the murals put up by Dan Kearfott.

Public Recreation/Fishing Committee- Alderman Brandon Roderick offered no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) Consideration of Farmer's Market Ordinance. Alderman Jan Hall requested more time to work on the ordinance. Council agreed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TIF2 bills: Five (5) TIF2 bills for \$ 885,124.08. Alderman Laura Miller motioned to approve the five (5) TIF2 bills totaling \$885,124.08; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. MC 7-0-1 abstain. No discussion. Alderman John Carlson owns property in the TIF and abstained.

TIF3 bills: One (1) check for \$4,580.75. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve the one (1) check for \$4,580.75; seconded by Alderman Nelda Jordan. MC 6-0- 2 abstain. Aldermen Laura Miller and Scott Davis own property in the TIF and abstained.

General Bills totaling \$97,235.90. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve the general bills totaling \$97,235.90; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 8-0. Alderman John Carlson asked that small bills be paid out of petty cash.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) Consideration of Ordinance 2015-O-16, repealing the ‘No Parking’ on Sangamon Avenue.** Chief Cushman stated his concerned about this affecting the snow removal downtown. Alderman Jan Hall motioned approve Ordinance 2015-O-16 as presented with the Snow Removal Ordinance still in place; seconded by Alderman Brandon Roderick. MC 8 ayes/ 0 against.
- B.) Consideration of Ordinance 2015-O-17, repealing the Ordinance concerning turning on Sangamon Ave, eliminating double yellow lines.** Chief Cushman stated that he against taking out the double lines. Alderman Jan Hall motioned to approve Ordinance 2015-O-17; seconded by Alderman John Carlson. MC 7 ayes/ 1 against. Alderman Dennis Pardick voted against.
- C.) Consideration of advertising for the Holiday Parade.** Jayne Tjardes and Susie Tongate requested the City’s assistance with advertising for the upcoming Holiday Parade. Alderman Barb Yergler motioned to approve advertising assistance as \$2000.00 to WCIA, \$750.00 to Gibson Courier and \$750.00 to WGCY radio; seconded by Alderman Scott Davis. MC 8-0.
- D.) Consideration of Trick or Treat hours.** Alderman Scott Davis motioned to approve Halloween Trick or Treat Hours permanently on October 31st from 5pm to 8 pm; seconded by Alderman Jan Hall. MC 8 ayes.

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

APPROVED

ATTEST