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MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, August 8, 2022

Call to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dickey in council chambers at City Hall.

Roll Call:

Ward #1	Susie Tongate	Present	Erick Tjarks	Present
Ward #2	Randy Wyant	Present	Ray Hanks	Present
Ward #3	Scott Davis	Present	Michelle Celeschi	Absent
Ward #4	Denis Fisher	Present	Laura Miller	Present

Others present: Mike Friend – Farnsworth Group, Supts. Wayne Link and Tyler Martin, Administrative Assistant Tucker Cribbet, Officer Rosenbaum, Jean Noellsch-Ford County Chronicle, Treasurer Scott Shull, Bill Kirby-GAH, former Mayor Nelda Jordan, Eric & Mitch Quinley – working towards Eagle Scout, Jeremy Baier-Pillar & Ground Baptist Church.

Pledge was led by Alderman Laura Miller.

Alderman Tongate made a motion approve minutes of July 25th 2022, 2nd by Alderman Hanks, Motion to approve minutes carried 7/0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Alderman Tjarks reported that the Streets/Alleys Committee met prior to this council meeting, recommendation will be made later under 'Old Business'.

Alderman Wyant reported an electric short at the Wastewater Plant last Friday, triggered renting a generator, and all was handled within the day.

Superintendent Link – reported that the security gate at the Wastewater plant was damaged by a car some time ago, all was reported to police and insurance, and that Progressive Insurance is not agreeing to pay the full repair bill of \$4,382.00. Atty Marc Miller advised Supt. Link to move forward with the replacement/repair as quoted, and that he (atty) will write a letter to Progressive Insurance.

Supt. Link - has a question about procedure for Developer Steve Miller who is asking to make some changes to Falcon Pointe Subdivision. Atty Miller advised that Developer is responsible to submit a preliminary plat to the Planning Commission as first step.

Supt. Link – reported that a bad area on State & 9th Streets that is a result of the work by the railroad on repairs but will be corrected by his city crew.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

City Clerk Jan Hall read the resignations of Alderman Michelle Celeschi dated August 4th, effective immediately, and resignation of Tucker Cribbett dated August 1st, last day will be August 19th.

Approval of Bills:

Motion made by Alderman Davis to pay 2 checks from MFT totaling \$67,564.52, to Farnsworth Engineers for 2 invoices from the 10th & West Street Project. 2nd by Alderman Wyant, motion carried 7/0.

Motion made by Alderman Hanks to pay General fund bills in the amount of \$98,012.55, 2nd by Alderman Tjarks, Motion carried 7/0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Consideration and approval of paying Barrow Tree Service invoice dated July 25, 2022 in the amount of: Alderman Tjarks made the motion to approve paying the invoice upon recommendation of the Street/Alley Committee. Alderman Miller made the 2nd, motion carried 7/0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consideration of 10th & West Street bids. Engineer Mike Friend reported the bids (see attached bid sheet) from Opperman Construction, H.J. Eppel & Co., and Cross Construction. Opperman Construction submitted the lowest bid of \$413, 325.83, which according to Friend is about 4% over the engineers estimate of \$395,676.00. Friend recommended the City accept the Opperman bid as presented, Alderman Wyant made the motion to accept the bid of \$413,325.83 from Opperman Construction, and approve all documentation and resolutions required be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, 2nd by Alderman Tjarks, motion carried 7/0.

B. Consideration of Roof bids. Supt. Link reported 2 bids were submitted for the North Park Pavilion, and one bid was submitted for all the roofing of city hall, garage, and police department. Mayor and council have questions about warranty of roofing material at the pavilion and will set that bid aside until all answers are available. Bid submitted by Copper Creek Contractors for the city buildings at 8th & Sangamon is \$172,000.00. Product Warranty is 20/30-year, 2 years on workmanship. Alderman Davis stated the budget amount for this project is \$175,000.00. Alderman Hanks made the motion to approve \$172,000.00 as submitted by Copper Creek Contractors of Mahomet, 2nd by Alderman Davis, motion carried 7/0.

C. Consideration of 2012 GCMS Class Reunion request to hold in park. Admin Cribbett read a letter explaining the detailed requests including food trucks and alcohol being available to class members only, by the Class of 2012 for their class reunion in North Park on September 24, 2022. Attorney Miller clarified that they cannot sell alcohol or tickets for alcohol. Council discussed and agreed to limit the alcohol to the pavilion, but fencing was not required. Motion made by Alderman Tongate to approve the request with alcohol limited to the pavilion and food trucks must obtain city permits, 2nd by Alderman Davis, motion carried 7/0.

D Alderman Miller made motion to Enter Executive Session pursuant to ILCS 12/02 © (i) for the limited purposed to consider the employment of one or more city employees. 2nd by Alderman Tongate, all in favor, council enters Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

Return to regular session at 8:00 p.m. Motion by Alderman Davis to approve hiring Scott Shull as Head Administrative Assistant, start date of September 5th, with full benefits package and annual salary of \$50,000.00, 2nd by Alderman Miller, 6 ayes, Alderman Fisher abstained from voting.

Motion to Adjourn made by Alderman Davis, 2nd by Tongate, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

APPROVED

Mayor Daniel E Dickey

ATTEST

Janice L Hall, City Clerk