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MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GIBSON CITY
Monday, February 27, 2023

Call to order at 7:00 p.m. by City Clerk Jan Hall in Mayor Dickey's absence.

Clerk Hall asked for a motion to approve Alderman Davis to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem per Mayor Dickey's request. Motion made by Alderman Miller, 2nd made by Alderman Tongate – Motion carried 5-0.

Roll Call:

Ward #1	Susie Tongate:	P	Vacancy:	_____
Ward #2	Randy Wyant:	P	Ray Hanks:	A
Ward #3	Scott Davis:	P	Vacancy:	_____
Ward #4	Denis Fisher:	P	Laura Miller:	P
Jr. Alderman	Allison Spiller	A		

Visitors: (Sign-in sheet attached) Chief Adam Rosendahl, Admin. Scott Shull, Treasurer Vickie Lorenzen, Wastewater Supt. Brad Duncan, Kelly Bell from American Legion and Jeannine Litwiller from Strictly Kids.

Alderman Tongate led the pledge.

Approval of Minutes of February 13, 2023 Alderman Tongate made a motion approve minutes of February 13, 2023 as submitted – 2nd to the Motion by Alderman Wyant, Motion carried 5/0.

VISITORS COMMENTS:

Jeannine Litwiller – asked council for permission to have a retail trailer in front of Strictly Kids on Saturday, April 1st from 9-2:00 p.m. for added interest in the downtown 'Hop into Spring' event. Council approved this request. Next, Ms. Litwiller, speaking for several store owners, asked council to consider replacing the ground cover that is in the concrete tree boxes, as it is not very eye appealing. She stated that during the Christmas season, she placed fresh greenery into the concrete box covering the brown ground cover, and added Christmas decorations. That garnered positive attention and other retailers have asked if this can be changed. Alderman Tongate has talked with Mayor Dickey about this idea, and he is looking into replacing the groundcover. Tongate will call a meeting in the near future to further discuss options.

Kelly Bell – speaking for the American Legion, listed future dates of: March 11, 2023 Cash Bash – needs a raffle application. Poppy Day is May 20, 2023, and they would like to stand at 8th & Sangamon, West 8th at Bradbury Auto, to sell poppies. Hometown Heroes Bike Run/Auction/Street Dance is scheduled for July 8th, requesting 9th from the West side of Sangamon be closed to the alley

before the railroad tracks for this event. The closure would be from 10:00 a.m. to midnight. Council approved all requests for the American Legion activities.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Vickie Lorenzen read the report for January, 2023. (see attached) Alderman Davis asked about a negative amount in payroll, and Administrative Asst. Shull explained this was not a 'true negative', but an old charge that will be zeroed out. Davis also asked about the \$10K plus deposit into the Build GC Pool fund – that came from the Presbyterian Church for specific use by the Exploratory Committee in hiring a grant writer. Alderman Tongate stated if plans change, the money will be redirected to another recreation use.

OLD BUSINESS: (all to carry forward)

- A. Consideration / Discussion regarding ADA compliant lift replacement.
- B. Consideration to Approve a Standard Master Services Agreement with Farnsworth Group
- C. Consideration to Approve Task Order #1 with Farnsworth Group for the 2023 Chip Seal Project
- D. Consideration to Approve Task Order # 2 with Farnsworth Group for a Preliminary Jordan Drive Pavement Study
- E. Ordinance Authorizing City entering into a Purchase Agreement with the Bible Church for land for a new well.

Committee Reports:

Alderman Tongate gave a summary of the Minutes from the Exploratory Pool Committee Meeting held on Thursday, February 16th at 4:00 p.m. (see attached) This was the first meeting since December of 2021, due to the hard-hit economy and availability of parts, no action has been taken. Committee directed Engineer Andy Kieser to obtain the IL Dept of Public Health Permit that is required before further action can be taken, and to update the cost list estimates. Next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 16th at 4:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

Alderman Tongate also updated council on activity at the Scout Cabin. She is working with Scout Leaders to see the building is cleaned, purged, and repairs made. Intends to schedule a committee meeting to discuss other possible uses of this public building.

Alderman Wyant reported that Mayor Dickey has directed Engineer Will Gray to prepare a Task Order with plans to study the drainage problems.

Approval of Bills:

Motion made by Alderman Fisher to pay 2 T.I.F. 2 check in the amount of \$18,059.00, 2nd by Alderman Wyant, motion carried 5/0.

Motion made by Alderman Miller to pay General Fund bills in the amount of \$ 182,696.48, 2nd by Alderman Fisher, motion carried 5/0.

New Business:

Consideration of Engineers Pay Estimate No. 2 on the 10th & West Street Project in the amount of Motion made by Alderman Wyant to approve payment #2 in the amount of \$100,414.57 to be paid from Motor Fuel Funds, 2nd by Alderman Tongate. This is for work already done by Opperman Construction. Office will send the signed task order approving the payment to Farnsworth Engineer Dennis Cummins, and will cut a check to Opperman Construction. M/C 5/0.

Motion to Adjourn made by Alderman Miller to adjourn, 2nd by Alderman Tongate, Motion carried unanimously; meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

APPROVED

Mayor Daniel E Dickey

ATTEST _____
Janice L Hall, City Clerk