

REGULAR SESSION January 18, 2021

A budget workshop was held at 6:00 p.m.

Budget Workshop

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Monday, January 18, 2021. Mayor Thome called the meeting to order. Council members present: Even, Frost, Perry, Meinert and Becker. Quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Sharon Mayer gave the invocation and Mayor Thome led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Becker, seconded by Meinert to approve the January 18, 2021 regular session agenda. Ayes - Five. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda

Motion by Even, seconded by Meinert to approve following items listed on the consent agenda: 1) Minutes of the January 18, 2021 regular meeting; 2) Payment of bills, receipts and transfers; 3) Clerk/Treasurer Report December. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

No public comment.

Public Comment

Motion by Becker, seconded by Frost to approve Resolution 2021-2189 approving applications for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Additional Value Added by Improvements in 2020. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Res 2021-2189 Urban Revite

Discussion was held on overtime pay during a holiday week. The policy states if called in on a holiday pay is 2.5 times the regular rate (1.5 overtime and holiday pay). Holidays are not counted as hours work towards overtime and employee must work over forty hours to receive overtime pay for any other overtime hours. Overtime has been being paid for any hours over forty counting the holiday hours if called in for snow removal. Becker is going to write up examples for the next meeting. Motion by Frost, seconded by Even to table. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Holiday over Time

Discussion was held on increasing water and sewer rates because the operating cash balances are negative. Rates have not been raised since 2016 but cost continue to increase. Discussion was held on requiring a property to install a service line to their house. The house shares a service line with another property and city code states all properties must have their own service line. The property is currently for sale and Council would like the property to be brought up to code. Clerk Adamson will get an opinion from the City Attorney to determine if the city can require the property to be brought up to city code by adding a service line before it is sold.

Water/Sewer Rates

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Frost to approve Resolution 2021-2190 setting pay. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Res 2021-2190 setting wages

Reports:

PWD Werner reported he had a DNR inspections and the plan is taking in more BOD's than it is designed for. The plan is meeting the requirements for output but it could be a problem in the future.

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Perry to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Adjourn

The budget workshop resumed at 7:45 p.m. and ended at 8:30 p.m.

Mark Thome, Mayor

Attest: _____
Teresa Adamson, MMC