

REGULAR SESSION February 15, 2021

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Monday, February 15, 2021. Mayor Thome called the meeting to order. Council members present: Even, Frost, Perry, Meinert and Becker. Quorum present. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Thome led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

No public comment. Public Comment

Gilbertville City Code section 90.09 (1) requires no more than one house or building or premises shall be supplied from one tap unless special written permission is obtained from the Superintendent and unless provision is made so that each house, building or premises may be shut off independently of the other. 516 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. shares a water service line with another property. Attorney Folkerts explained property is grandfathered in because it was built before the ordinance was adopted. She recommends that the council revise Chapter 90 of the City’s ordinances to (1) provide a deadline well into the future for all properties to come into compliance, or (2) require that properties come into compliance prior to any future transfers of ownership. If a sale is pending on the property, either option would have the effect of grandfathering in the current owner, but not necessarily the future owner. Motion by Becker, seconded by Frost to amend Chapter 90 of the City Code giving the property until October 1, 2024 to come into compliance. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. 516 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. water service line

Blane from Black Hawk Waste Disposal was present to discuss the waste disposal contract. He is able to keep the cost the same for the next 3 years and the contract will include a city cleanup day, pick up garbage at city facilities for no charge and the city will pay the cost of the landfill fee for yard waste but will not be charged a pickup fee. Black Hawk Waste

Mayor Thome opened the Maximum Property Tax Dollars FY 2021-2022 public hearing at 7:32 p.m. No written or oral comments are on file. Motion by Becker, seconded by Meinert to close the public hearing at 7:34 p.m. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. Maximum levy hearing and Res 20212022 approving

Motion by Frost, seconded by Even to approve Resolution 2021-2192 approving the FY 2021-2022 Maximum Property Tax Dollars. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Mayor Thome opened the public hearing on amending Ordinance 340 Water Rates at 7:35 p.m. No written or oral comments were on file. Rates have not increased since 2016 and operating cost have continued to increase causing a deficit in the operating cash balance. Motion by Becker, seconded by Meinert to close the public hearing at 7:37 p.m. Ayes- Five. Motion carried. Water Rates

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Perry to receive, file and consider the first reading of Ordinance 340 amending Gilbertville Code 92.02 (1) water rates increasing the base rate to \$17.22 and extending the surcharge to June 30, 2030. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Mayor Thome opened the public hearing on amending Ordinance 341 sewer rates. No written or oral comments are on file. Rates have not increased since 2016 and operating cost have continued to increase causing a deficit in the operating cash balance. Motion by Becker, seconded by Frost to close the public hearing at 7:37 p.m. Ayes- Five. Motion carried. Sewer Rates

Motion by Perry, seconded by Meinert to receive, file and consider the first reading of Ordinance 341 amending provisions pertaining to Chapter 99.02 (1) sewer rates to \$26.32 for the first 2,000 gallons. Roll call vote. Ayes - Five. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on funding options for the splash pad. The city has approximately \$101,375 revenue including donations, grants and city funds to go towards the splash pad but to assist with funding but approximately \$40,000 in additional funding is needed to complete the project. Motion by Even, seconded by Perry to order the equipment. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. Splash Pad

Motion by Even, seconded by Frost to table discussion on Holiday Pay. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. Holiday over Time

Becker left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Motion by Frost, seconded by Meinert to approve Resolution 2021-2193 setting pay for public works employee. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. Res 2021-2193 Setting wages

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Even to approve the purchase of backhoe tires for \$1,400.00. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. Backhoe Tires

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Frost to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Ayes –Five. Motion carried. Adjourn

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Mark Thome, Mayor

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Teresa Adamson, MMC