

REGULAR SESSION March 20, 2023

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Monday, March 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Thome called the meeting to order. Council members present: Even, Frost, Perry, Brustkern and Becker. Quorum present.

Janice Rosauer gave the invocation and Mayor Thome led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Brustkern, seconded by Frost to pull item (e) 10th Inning Liquor license and (g) Membership Application for Gilbertville Fire & Rescue from the consent agenda. Approve the 10th Inning liquor license conditional on required fire inspection and approve the membership of Mathew Ostlie to Gilbertville Fire & Rescue pending Fire Department approval. Ayes - Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Frost, seconded by Brustkern to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda: a) March 20, 2023 Agenda, b) Minutes of the March 6, 2023 regular meeting, c) Bills, transfers and receipts, d) Clerk/Treasurer report for February 2023 and f) Approve Clerk attendance at IMFOA Conference April 19th- 23rd. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Mayor Thome opened the public hearing for the FY 2023-2024 proposed budget at 6:16 p.m. No written or oral comments were on file. Motion by Becker, seconded by Perry to close the public hearing at 6:19. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, seconded by Even to approve Resolution 2023-07 adopting the FY 2023-2024 budget. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Mayor Thome opened the public hearing for the FY 2022-2023 budget amendment at 6:20 p.m. No written or oral comments were on file. Motion by Becker, seconded by Perry to close the public hearing at 6:21. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, seconded by Even to approve Resolution 2023-08 approving the FY 2022-2023 amendment. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

The insurance renewal from Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) was received and had an increase of 34.72% and the previous year the increase was 21.23%. The Insurance Agent could not get any quotes because the other companies require a 60-90 day notice on quotes. An Agent from another company explained ICAP requires a 90 day notice of termination and he recommends doing that yearly and getting other quotes. The city does not have to terminate but it will allow them to determine if they are getting the best rate. Motion by Even, seconded by Perry to approve Resolution 2023-09 approving the renewal with Iowa Communities Assurance Pool to Provide the Cities Insurance Provisions with an anniversary date of April 1, 2023. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Even, seconded by Frost to approve dust control from Heffron Services for the 800 block of Fenton Road with a maximum payment of \$500 and the homeowners pay any amount over this. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Even, seconded by Frost to update the Mayor/Council ordinance for pay to \$4,000 yearly for the Mayor and \$50 per meeting for the City Council. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. Once the Ordinance is approved the increase will take effect in January of 2024.

Motion by Even, seconded by Perry to approve Resolution 2023-10 authorizing the Mayor's Appointment and Two Designated Voting Alternates to the Black Hawk County Area Transportation Policy Board for a Term of One Year. Roll call vote. Ayes-Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Even seconded by Perry to set date of Public Hearing for April 3, 2023 to discuss United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Community Facilities Grant. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Motion by Frost, seconded by Brustkern to approve Resolution 2023-11 agreeing to apply for financial assistance with the United States Department of Agriculture. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Emergency Services Building:

The referendum held March 7, 2023 approving entering into a loan agreement and issue general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$1,250,000 for the purposed of construction and Emergency Services was approved by 88% of the votes. Thank you to everyone that voted and for the support of the community.

Chief Bovy reported they met with Architect Stark last week to get started on the finalizing the plans to go out for bids. The Architect is checking with his design team to set up a time to have a meeting.

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Reports:

Mayor Thome questioned what the white flags are and PWD Werner explained he received a locate request from Black Hawk County and he believes they are for detour signs because the bridge on Poyner Rd. is scheduled for repairs.

PWD Werner reported he has been receiving calls on streets that need repairs and questioned what the council would like to complete this year. \$70,000 is in the next budget. He is going to get some quotes for various streets and crack filling.

MidAmerican Energy awarded a matching tree grant for \$1,000.

Discussion was held on the employee handbook and job descriptions. The City Attorney has completed them and the City Clerk is in the process of reviewing them and once that is completed they will be on the agenda for approval.

Mark Thome, Mayor

Attest: _____
Teresa Adamson, MMC