

REGULAR SESSION May 3, 2021

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Monday, May 3, 2021. Mayor Thome called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present: Frost, Becker, and Perry. Even and Meinert were absent. Quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion by Perry, seconded by Frost to approve the May 3, 2021 regular session agenda. Ayes - Three. Motion carried.

Motion by Frost, seconded Becker to approve following items listed on the consent agenda: 1) Minutes of the April 19, 2021 regular meeting and 2) Payment of bills and transfers. Ayes – Three. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Janice Rosauer stated her driveway is very cracked because of water running down the street and they can't fix it until the water problem is fixed. A short term fix would be overlay but it needs to be torn out and replaced. PWD Werner stated his plan is to put in a dip and to add another storm sewer and that should help with the water problem.

Public Comment

Assistant Chief Bovy informed the Council a request was made to the Fire Association for \$500 from the former owners of the land purchased for the new building. It was part of the agreement to purchase the land for the community protection building done in 2018. The agreement stated if possession was before crop removal there would be a \$500 fee and possession was not made before crops were taken out. The Fire Association took possession of the land in February 2020. Crops were planted on the land in 2020 and this year and the Association was not paid rent for the land or asked if it was ok to plant. Assistant Chief Bovy will be going to talk to the previous land owner and the person that rents the land.

Motion by Becker, seconded by Perry to close the public hearing on water/sewer disconnections. Ayes – Three. Motion carried.

Disconnects

Motion by Becker, seconded by Perry to authorize the Public Works Department to disconnect the service and prior to reconnect, the resident will be required to pay the arears and a \$50 reconnect fee. Ayes- Three. Motion carried.

Gabriele Edwards, Urban Forestry Program Specialist from The Department of Natural Resources Forestry Department conducted a tree inventory in the summer of 2020. She submitted a proposed Urban Forest Management plan to be used as a resource and included recommendations on tree care and management in the city. The plan will be used to assist with tree maintenance and budgeting.

Urban Forest Management Plan Trees

Motion by Perry, seconded by Frost to install 4 No U-turn signs on the corner of 13<sup>th</sup> Ave., 14<sup>th</sup> Ave., 15<sup>th</sup> Ave and 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ayes – Three. Motion carried.

No U-turn

No U-turns are allowed in the business district per City Code.

Mayor Thome reported Bertch will be picking up the splash pad May 5<sup>th</sup>. If the splash pad isn't ready for pick up the driver will pick it up the next week. Public Works is doing dirt work and Bergen Plumbing is here this week. PWD Werner reported D&N Fencing could not give a quote on the poles because they needed Engineer drawings since the area is so big. He is waiting for a call from another fencing company.

Splash Pad Update

PWD Werner reported they will be installing the handicap sidewalk at Schmitt Park. Veteran's Park will be having a service on Memorial Day.

Reports

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

Adjourn

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Mark Thome, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teresa Adamson, MMC