

REGULAR SESSION June 19, 2017

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Monday, June 19, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Thome calling the meeting to order. Council members present: French, Meinert, Balvanz and Becker. Ramaker absent. Quorum present.

Rita Becker gave the invocation, Mayor Thome led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by French/Balvanz to approve the June 19, 2017 regular session agenda. Ayes - Four. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda

Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve the consent agenda: 1) Minutes of the June 5, 2017 regular meeting; 2) Payment of bills, receipts and transfers; 3) Clerks report for May 2017; Ayes – Four. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Public Comment: Property owner at 607 14th Ave wanted to discuss options for redirecting water runoff from the street. Overlaying of the asphalt created more water runoff issues in the yard, basement and garage. He wanted to know if a tile could be run to the storm drain. PWD Werner will meet with the home owner to see what the best solution will be. He also discussed a large tree on city property leaning and if it falls it would hit the house. He asked if the City would be interested in selling that piece of property. Mayor Thome questioned if he had plans for the property, homeowner said he did not just use it to get to the back yard. If he was interested they would have to look at the cost of selling city land.

Public Comment

Mayor Thome reminded council why the fire department no longer fills the pools and there are several pools in town. Options for filling pools would be to us the bulk rate per ordinance 264 or install a second meter. Motion by Meinert/French to use the bulk rate or install a second meter and no refund for filling pools. Ayes—Four. Motion carried

Filling Pools

Discussion was held on compensation increased. This would not affect public works for this year as their increases were part of the hiring agreements. Becker reminded everyone of the 5% increase in the employee paid insurance premium. Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve Resolution 2017-2049 setting compensation for City employees for City Hall and the Police department. Roll call vote. Ayes—Three. Balvanz voted nay. Motion carried.

Res 17-2049
2% annual increase

Discussion was held on how much time it would save for public works and city hall if the hand held meters for automated meter reading was purchased. PWD Werner said we would only need to purchase the hand held unit and one auto gun as Municipal Supply would loan us a second gun until they were able to complete the reads with one gun. Discussion was held regarding the purchasing the annual support from Municipal Supply. French recommended not to purchase the support. Motion by Becker/Balvanz to purchase the Sensus handheld, one auto gun, the software system through Data Tech for City Hall software to interface and Data Tech software support. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Purchase handhelds for meter reads

Discussion was held on the various quotes for a second Public Works vehicle. Mayor Thome suggested the Chevy Colorado due to the low mileage. Becker questioned the condition of the snow plows if anything there would need to be replaced. PWD Werner said they should be good for winter snow removal. Becker recommended Balvanz look over the vehicle before purchasing it. . Motion by Balvanz/French to purchase the 2008 Colorado. Ayes - Four. Motion carried

Purchase 2008 PW vehicle

Motion by Meinert/Balvanz to approve and place on file the 1st reading of Ordinance 307 pertaining to the time frames fireworks can be set off in city limits and the sale of fireworks. Roll call vote. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Ord 307 Fire works

Motion by Becker/Balvanz to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading and place on file final adoption of Ordinance 307 pertaining to the time frames fireworks can be set off in city limits and the sale of fireworks. Roll call vote. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Ord 307 fire works

Motion to approve Ordinance 307 pertaining to the time frames fireworks can be set off in city limits and the sale of fireworks for final reading and adopt the ordinance. Roll call vote. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Ord 307 fire works-final

Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve a contract with Chris Even to help as needed to do water and sewer testing until Maintenance worker Al is trained. Ayes—Four Motion carried.

Chris Even weekend help

It was previously discussed increasing the cost of garbage monthly fees to help offset the cost of the annual clean-up day and yard waste dumpsters by \$1.50 per month. Motion by Balvanz/Meinert to approve and place on file the 1st reading of Ordinance 308 pertaining to solid waste collection fees. Roll call vote. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Ord 308 garbage rates

Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve Resolution 2017-2051 approving the contract with Iowa Municipalities Workers Compensation Association (IMWCA). Roll call vote Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Res 17-2051
IMWCA

Motion by French/Meinert to approve PWD Werner to attend AEROMOD training. Mayor Thome reminded council the cost of the training is covered by AEROMOD. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Ord 37 fire works

Reports:

Clerk Etringer advised there was a request to have the arrows on 20th Ave to 5th street repainted. Reminded everyone of the School softball tournament June 30, and July 1. Mayor Thome asked Public Works to ensure the supplies were stocked for that weekend.

Clerk

PWD Werner, reported they have been going through things in the shop area that are no longer used and may be able to sell. Mayor advised him to put a list together. They will be able to reduce the amount of concrete needed for the yard waste dumpsters. The sprayer is in and the first round of straying will be Tuesday night starting around 8:00p.m. The planks have been replace on the bridge at Veterans Park, they will be working on the bridge to Town Square Park next.

PWD

Mayor Thome questioned council if there would be enough for a meeting on July 3rd. Three members would not be able to attend on the 3rd so the next meeting in July will be July 5th. Mayor asked Public Works to make

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a list of sidewalks that are in need of repair. Mayor Thome gave an update on the gaming commission grant applications, and most relate to fire and rescue. Becker suggested to look into doing some landscaping going into the Town Square. Meinert suggested getting some railroad ties or something to keep cars from parking on grass or too close to the new trees. PWD Werner will look in to it

Motion by Becker/Meinert to adjourn at 8:37. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Mark Thome, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jean Etringer, City Clerk