

REGULAR SESSION September 8, 2020

Council held a work session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss plans for a Splash Pad. Mayor Thome, Even, Frost and Corbin were in attendance.

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Thome calling the meeting to order. Council members present: Even, Frost, Corbin and Becker. Quorum present. Meinert was absent.

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

Motion by Corbin seconded by Even to approve the September 8, 2020 regular session agenda. Ayes - Four. Motion carried.

Approve
Agenda

Motion by Becker seconded by Corbin to approve following items listed on the consent agenda: 1) Minutes of the August 17, 2020 regular meeting; 2) Payment of bills, receipts and transfers, 3) Utility Bill reconciliation report for August 2020, 4) Annual 2019/2020 Report and 5) Casey's General Store application for a Class LE with Native Wine license. Ayes – Four. Motion carried.

Consent
Agenda

No water/sewer disconnection.

WT/SW disconnection

Motion by Corbin, seconded by Frost to set date of Trick or Treating for October 31st from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Ayes- Four. Motion carried.

Trick or Treating

Motion by Becker, seconded by Corbin to approve a quote from Electric Pump. Ayes-Four. Motion carried.

Pump Inspection

Carol and Tom Schaefer were present to discuss a sewer backup claim from June 9, 2020 for the property located at 424 16th Ave. Carol explained that in 2019 the service line had been cleaned and repaired in the last few years. When the sewer main backed up in June the house got 6 inches of water in the basement. Becker explained the cities insurance company denied the claim because the city has a maintenance plan to clean the sewer mains. Carol explained her daughter had many items damaged and the drywall needs replaced and she plans to have it professionally cleaned. She is will get an estimate for cleaning and have it for the next regular meeting.

Sewer claim

A claim was received from Vern and Sandy Barrick (homeowners) and Brandi Even (renter) for the property at 516 16th Avenue. The claim from the property owners was not received until after the cities insurance company denied the claim. They didn't turn it into their insurance company because it would not meet their deductible. Motion by Frost, seconded by Even to deny the claim in lieu of not turning in information that was requested (insurance denial). Ayes – Four. Motion carried. Personal belongings are not covered in back up claims and damages would have to go through the home owner. Motion by Becker, seconded by Even to deny the claim to Brandi Even because personal property is not covered. Ayes –Four. Motion carried.

At the August 17th meeting Jim Bailey, 2124 2nd St. explained he had sewer backup due to a faulty T connecting his service line to the city's main and he requested assistance with the cost. Per the city code the city is responsible for the main and the homeowner is responsible for anything after the main. The line was televised and showed the line was in good condition and nothing was blocking it. Motion by Becker, seconded by Even to deny the claim. Ayes – Four. Motion carried.

Bailey sewer backup

Motion by Corbin, seconded by Becker to approve Resolution 2020-2181 requesting reimbursement from the Iowa COVID – 19 Government Relief Fund. Roll call vote. Ayes – Four. Motion carried.

Res 2020-2181 COVID

Motion by Corbin, seconded by Even to approve the quote for computers for city hall. Ayes – Four. Motion carried.

CH computers

Reports:

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PWD Werner reported they will be flushing hydrants this month. A water test showed the nitrates are too high so a quarterly test will need to be done instead of a yearly test. Signs will be put up identifying the boat ramp.

Reports

Mayor Thome reported Veteran's Park Phase III is complete and looks great.

Motion by Even seconded by Frost to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. Ayes – Four. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Mark Thome, Mayor

Attest: _____
Teresa Adamson, MMC