

REGULAR SESSION September 18, 2017

The City Council of Gilbertville, Iowa met in Regular Session Monday, September 18, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Thome calling the meeting to order. Council members present: Ramaker, Meinert, Becker, and French. Quorum present.

Sharon Mayor gave the invocation and Mayor Thome led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by French/Ramaker to approve the September 18, 2017 regular session agenda. Ayes - Four. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

No public comment was given.

Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve the Don Bosco Homecoming parade through town from the plaza to the football field, Wednesday September 27, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

DB Parade

The car owners have asked for one more Shine N Show October 11. A 50/50 raffle was done at the last show and a donation was made to the Fire Department. Motion by Becker/Ramaker to approve a show on October 11, 2017. Ayes—Four. Motion carried.

Cornerstone Shine N Show

Maggie Burger from Speer Financial distributed the annual Tiff reports and reviewed them with council. Balvanz arrived at 7:44. Burger pointed out to council what loans are outstanding, what the debt is, how the Tiff funds were used and how they affect the budget.

Speer Fin Tiff Report

Mayor Thome opened the public hearing at 7:44 P.M. for the budget amendment, no oral or written comments on file. Motion by Meinert/French to close the public hearing at 7:45. Ayes—Five. Motioned carried.

PH for budget amendment

Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve Resolution 2017-2057 approving the 17/18 budget amendment. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Res 17-2057

Motion by Meinert/French setting “Trick or Treating” hours for Tuesday, October 31st from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. in Gilbertville. Ayes—Five. Motion carried.

Trick or Treat hours

Mayor Thome questioned why we were changing the snow ordinance. PWD Werner stated the snow emergency route signs are faded and wanted to know how snow emergencies are handled. Mayor Thome stated there has not been a snow emergency in several years. It is left up to the PWD to make the decision. There are some houses without driveways and sometime vehicles have gotten plowed in. Mayor Thome said he would go through town with PWD and the Maintenance worker to review the typical snow routes, what to plow first. Motion by Becker/Meinert to table Ordinance 311 amending provisions pertaining to chapter 69.10 snow removal. Ayes—Five. Motioned carried.

Ord 311 snow removal tabled

Mayor Thome questioned if there were any inquiries on the items for sale. PWD Werner reported just the generator. Discussion was held on keeping the generator for the fire station or possible when the new safety building is built. Meinert stated the current generator will open the garage doors but not heat the building. The Mayor's concern is there is no place at the existing fire station to put the generator due to the size. It was decided it would be better to sell the generator rather than holding on to it for potential use. Motion by French/Ramaker to proceed with selling the generator and the rest of the City items listed. Ayes—Five. Motion carried.

Items for sale

Motion by Becker/Meinert to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 309 pertaining to permit fees connecting to public water service. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. The permit fee to connect to the water system in the city limits is \$150 and outside the city limits is \$250.

Ord 309 3rd reading

Motion by Becker/Ramaker to adopt and place on file Ordinance 309 pertaining to permit fees connecting to public water service. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. The permit fee to connect to the water system in the city limits is \$150 and outside the city limits is \$250.

Ord 309 adopt place on file

Motion by Meinert/French to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 310 pertaining to permit fees connecting to public sewer service. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. The permit fee connecting to the sewer system in the city limits is \$150 and outside the city limits is \$250.

Ord 310 3rd reading

Motion by Ramaker/Balvanz to adopt and place on file Ordinance 310 pertaining to permit fees connecting to public sewer service. Roll call vote. Ayes – Five. Motion carried. The permit fee connecting to sewer system in the city limits is \$150 and outside the city limits is \$250.

Ord 310 adopt place on file

Motion by Meinert/French to approve PWD Werner to attend the Iowa Rural Water Association Fall Conference October 10 and 11 in Dubuque. Ayes—Five. Motion carried

PWD Fall Conference

PWD Werner stated he and Maintenance worker Even could install the pumps to the clarifier for the sewer plant holding tank. Motion by Meinert/Becker to approve the bid from Black Hawk Electrical to install the electrical work for the sewer plant holding tank. Ayes—Five. Motion carried.

Sewer plant holding tank electrical work

PWD Werner stated he received two of three bids for installing heat in the public works building and has a bid for outside lighting. Discussion was held on having such a nice building and not being able to use it with no heat and the need for outside lighting. Motion by Balvanz/Ramaker to approve the best bid. Ayes—five. Motion carried.

Heat/electric for PWB

Motion by Meinert/Becker to table the closed session due to not all able to attend. Ayes—Five. Motion carried.

Close session tabled

Reports:

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Clerk: Clerk Etringer reported quarterly payroll was completed, working on quarterly reports, and creating water bills using the new meter read system. PWD

Public Works: PWD Werner reported most was already discussed. He questioned the tree grant from Green Scene. He will go to Meyers Nursery and see what they suggest for east side of the Car Wash. PWD

Mayor: Mayor Thome reported he received an email from the City Engineer approving the plans for the storm drainage proposal for the Development at the North end of the city. Mayor

Motion by Meinert/Becker to adjourn at 8:30 P.M. Ayes – Five. Motion carried.

Mark Thome, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jean Etringer, City Clerk