

CITY OF GALESBURG COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2017 7:00P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Carl called the meeting to order 7P.M.

PLEDGE: Led by Council.

ROLL CALL: Present: Judy Lemon, Rich Pawlawski, Kissinger, Doug Smith, Becky Harmon, Keith Diller and Carl Newton.

AGENDA: Motion by Kissinger to approve Agenda with addition of 5.

Correspondence Request of Library for dates of use for Community Room and Park, also E. under new business on if City wants foreclosed properties for taxes by Kalamazoo County, balance as presented supported by Pawlawski. Voice vote yes. 7/0

MINUTES:

Motion by Kissinger to approve April 3, 2017 minutes with correction of compost OB-c balance as presented, support by Pawlawski. Voice vote yes. 7/0

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. We have on file at City Hall minutes for April 2017 Fire Board, & Treasurer report. DDA April 2017 Minutes and Treasurer report.
2. Consumers Energy hearings 5/9 and 11 to set further hearing dates for generation and distribution of electricity. (on file)
3. Thank-you card to employees received from Sharon Connon.
4. Thank-you from the Parks Foundation for use of our Community Room.
5. Motion by Kissinger to approve requested Library dates, on Community Room and Park free of charge, support by Smith. Voice vote yes 7/0

COMMUNITY COMMENT:

Linda Carleton: Congratulations to Carl Newton on Community Volunteer Recognition.

J Nicolow: On persons talking to home owners on W. Michigan. (R. Wilson- It is MDOT on crosswalk upgrades repair of M-96 thru town maybe this year ?)

Russ Hawken: Requesting additional police patrol of New Street, it is a BIG problem.

J. Bergner: Junk Cars how is list coming? (C. Newton police dept. is working on this. J. Heppler: We give warning then follow up in 14days.)

J. Kershner & K. Bennett what can we do about unkempt houses and yards? We need pride in our community.

J. Bergner: Can you live in a travel trailer on a City lot? Answer was no, they can keep them on the property if carry a current plate.

Metro Transit: M. Jansen gave us overall County report. Said he would look into costs and information on what it would take to get a Galesburg bus etc. Rates for area in County Connect are established. (on file) * sending further information on costs.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. 163 E. Battle Creek- Must move out, but court has given him three more months from May 8, 2017 to address repairs etc.
- b. KRVT we have maps but nothing has been completed so they are not published yet. Looks like 2018 before this may happen.
- c. Motion by Harmon to opt in on Medical Marijuana, with a Resolution and Ordinances moving forward, support by Diller. YES: Smith, Pawlawski, Lemon, Diller, Harmon, Newton. NO: Kissinger ABSENT: 0
- d. Motion by Diller to set a Public Hearing on both a Commercial Rehabilitation District and a Commercial Redevelopment District using the Downtown Development area boundaries, support by Kissinger. YES: Pawlawski, Smith, Harmon, Kissinger, Lemon, Diller, Newton. NO: 0 ABSENT: 0

NEW BUSINESS:

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- A. Motion by Diller to Approve Resolution 005082017-1 to give Clerk Karen Bresson authority to sign voting equipment grant, support by Lemon. YES: Pawlawski, Smith, Harmon, Kissinger, Lemon, Diller, Newton. NO: 0 ABSENT: 0
- B. Community and Park Rentals, Should we rent? If so what costs. Info only (Rob, Karen, Ken)
- C. Budget Information was supplied and public hearing is June 5, 2017 council meeting.
- D. Motion by Diller to table new phones until next meeting, support by Harmon. Voice vote yes 7/0
- E. Motion by Diller to allow the Mayor to accept the offer of \$3000. on 25 E Battle Creek St (more if possible) support by Kissinger. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton. NO: 0 ABSENT: 0
- F. Motion by Kissinger to Opt -Out of ownership of 2017 Foreclosed properties, support by Diller. List Attached 5 properties. Voice vote all yes.

REPORTS:

Motion by Smith to accept March 2017 Treasurer's report as presented, support by Kissinger. Voice vote all yes. 7/0

Motion by Kissinger to pay the bills in the amount of \$7410.71, support by Diller. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton
NO: 0 ABSENT: 0

DPW: Motion by Kissinger to sweep the streets for \$1990.00, support by Lemon. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton. NO: 0

Motion by Kissinger to replace drain trench in first bay of Fire Station, \$3548.82 support by Pawlawski. YES: Harmon, Pawlawski, Kissinger, Smith. NO: Diller & Newton
5/2 Motion by Kissinger to install soft start on well pumps at a cost of \$28,845.18, support by Diller. YES: Diller, Kissinger, Pawlawski, Smith, Lemon, Harmon, Newton. NO:0
Motion by Smith to replace overhead door on DPW storage garage \$2549.00, support by Pawlawski. YES: Smith, Pawlawski, Lemon, Harmon, Kissinger, Newton. NO: Diller

POLICE REPORT:

Motion by Smith to accept police report as presented, support by Diller. Voice vote all yes. Motion by Diller to table the Camera system for vehicles and officers, support by Harmon. Voice vote yes 7/0

D. Smith - We need to address the ordinances and get it done in a timely matter.

DDA: Has a grant of \$500. Toward Basketball hoops for the Parks

PARKS: Ken: Egg Hunt 105+ were in attendance Good time for all.

Carl: City has received \$4000. Toward our goal of \$15,500. For Basketball courts.

FIRE BOARD: Motion by Kissinger to approve the Ambulance Provider Agreement (See Attached) with Pride Care for 1 year, support by Smith. Voice vote all yes.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Keith: Go Go Auto is getting landscaping and is looking good.

Judy: Committee of (3) to do reorganizing of our Police Dept. for budget reasons, and have a plan by June 5th meeting. (Becky-Judy-Keith)

Doug: Apologize for forgetting to come Saturday at Compost site.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Kissinger to adjourn, support by Diller. Voice vote yes.7/0

Respectfully submitted
Karen Bresson, Clerk