

**CITY OF GALESBURG  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 22, 2022  
6:00 PM**

Mayor West called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken: Lori West, Mayor (present), Linda Marble, Vice Mayor (present); Ryan Harnden (present), Judy Lemon (present), Carol Wortinger (present), Carol Bailey (excused) and Roger Frazee (present).

Also present: Josh Ranes, DPW Supervisor; Ann Howard, Treasurer; Tim Randall, County Deputy Sheriff and approximately two citizens.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

No discussion was made. Marble moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Harnden.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Emily Gates with AFGAC requested the use of the pavilion on September 11<sup>th</sup> for an ice cream social from 1:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. to welcome students back to school and to allow students a chance to meet the new principal and staff. Council approved her request unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Marble requested the fire board minutes be amended to reflect her attendance at the meeting on July 20, 2022.

Marble moved to accept the consent agenda, seconded by Frazee.

On a roll call vote, the following voted "aye": Frazee, Lemon, Wortinger, Harnden, West and Marble

The following voted "nay": None

Motion carried unanimously.

**SHERIFF'S REPORT**

Deputy Randall gave the law enforcement update. He continues to remove homeless encampments as they arise. E has been getting quotes for a new security system. EPS & Night Watch will present to Council on September 12.

## **APPOINT PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER**

Applicant Trampas Newman was unavailable to attend the meeting due to health reasons, so Wortinger moved, seconded by Lemon to table discussion of his appointment to Planning Commission to the September 12 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

## **FIRST READING: ORDINANCE 291 (AMENDMENT TO 286)**

Marble stated this is very important for the apartment complexes who are state/federally inspected. West commented that without this amendment, rental unit registrations and inspections would cost Gale Valley \$14,720 instead of \$5,500, for example.

Marble moved, Lemon seconded to discuss the amendment further at the September 12 meeting.

On a roll call vote, the following voted "aye": Lemon, Harnden, Frazee, West, Marble

The following voted "nay": Wortinger

Motion carried.

## **RESOLUTION: WATER/SEWER HOOKUP FEES**

West said we needed to change the sewer administration fee to \$600 where it currently stood.

Frazee moved, Wortinger seconded to adopt the resolution for water/sewer hookup fees as amended.

On a roll call vote, the following voted "aye": Wortinger, West, Marble, Lemon, Frazee, Harnden

The following voted "nay": None

Motion carried unanimously.

## **RESOLUTION: WATER/SEWER SHUTOFF FEES**

Marble asked Ranes why the sewer shutoff fee was not listed. Ranes explained the road would have to be torn up to turn off wastewater service. Ranes stated the cost would be how much time and equipment it took for that to be done.

West commented nothing in the past has been listed regarding sewer shutoff fees.

Marble moved, Frazee seconded to adopt the water/sewer shutoff fees as presented.

On a roll call vote, the following voted "aye": Harnden, Marble, West, Frazee, Wortinger, Lemon

The following voted "nay":

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONSIDERATION: HAZARD PAY FOR ESSENTIAL WORKERS**

West was very thankful for all the essential workers during the peak of COVID. She appreciated their dedication to the City of Galesburg. West stated that premium pay for essential workers was a good use of ARPA funds.

Wortinger asked where the remainder of ARPA funds were being used. West stated the rest of the funds are in the general fund being used for infrastructure as well as other projects.

Wortinger moved, Frazee seconded to accept the Personnel Committee's hazard pay recommendation for essential workers.

On a roll call vote, the following voted "aye". Lemon, Wortinger, Frazee, Harnden, Marble, West

The following voted "Nay": none

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONSIDERATION: PUSH MOWER**

West asked Supervisor Raney to explain the request for a new push mower. Raney stated the current push mower was at the end of its useful life and was unable to be further repaired. The quote presented was not only for a commercial mower but bagger and warranty, too.

Harnden moved, Lemon seconded to purchase the push mower under terms outlined in the quote presented.

On a roll call vote, the following voted "aye". Marble, Lemon, Wortinger, Harnden, West, Frazee

The following voted "nay": None

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Lemon asked when the next DDA meeting would be. West replied there was no date set yet, as they do not have a quorum.

Frazee stated that at the next Fire Board meeting he would be gone on vacation, so he wanted to make sure someone could take his place.

There being no further business, Mayor West adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

  
Lori West, Mayor

  
Lisa McNeese, Clerk