

CITY OF GILBERT
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Kutsi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Kutsi, Councilors Pontinen, Skalko, Bol & Liimatta.

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Attorney Kearney, City Engineer Jamnick, Chief Techar, Public Works Operations Director Lautigar, Library Director Miller, Campground Managers John & Barb Rautanen, and City Clerk/Treasurer Sakrison.

Staff Absent: None.

Mayor Kutsi led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Skalko second by Bol to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: None

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to approve the April 26, 2016 Regular City Council Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to accept \$500.00 donation for bicycle safety from Rocco & Kathy Leoni, to use the donation to purchase bicycle helmets and to send a Thank you to the Leoni's. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Bol to approve transfer of the Off-Sale, On-Sale and Sunday Liquor License of J.M.L. Inc. to JLT Enterprises DBA The Downtown Bar located at 209 Broadway Street South. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve contribution of \$1,000.00 to the Gilbert Kiddie Parade for the July 4, 2016 event. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Pontinen suggested putting a \$5 one-time fee on the resident's water & light bill to have go towards the 4th of July donation requests. Attorney Kearney will look into this suggestion.

Motion by Skalko second by Bol to approve Mortgage Satisfaction documents for Michael and Cynthia Eliason and for Malich & Reinartz releasing the city's lien on the properties. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Skalko second by Mayor Kutsi to approve Project 14-049 (Gilbert, T.H. 135 Water Main/Lower Florida Infrastructure) Change Order No. 2 for an increase of \$14,040.00. Roll Call: Pontinen ó Nay; Skalko ó Aye; Kutsi ó Aye; Bol ó Nay; Liimatta ó Aye. Motion carried 3 - 2.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to authorize Ulland Brothers to do some maintenance of the road up to the mining company's gate along what is commonly called Old Highway 135. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bol second by Skalko to approve a Peddler License for Randy Olson to operate a portable concession stand at the Lake Ore-Be-Gone beach area Memorial Day to Labor Day 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve making application to the MN DNR for a grant for wild land fire equipment and gear. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Pontinen to authorize purchase of a RAMBO Electric Assisted Bicycle using Police Forfeiture Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to approve hiring Brian Sandstrom and Ryan Jandrey for the seasonal summer positions, hourly rate of \$10.00/hour not to exceed 65 ó 8 hour shifts. If one of the candidates cannot take the position, the job can be offered to the alternate candidate. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve the renewal of the annual service agreement with Hach for the chemical feed equipment at the water treatment plant in the amount of \$3,532.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve the Scheduled Pump Maintenance Agreement with Minnesota Pump Works to service the lift station and WWTP pumps for a price of \$1,443.25 per inspection and to approve entering a three year agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve up to \$2,000.00 for repair parts from BW Allen Company for parts to repair the point level sensors at the Gilbert Water Plant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve the quote from JK Mechanical Contractors, Inc. for work to replace a 12ö Dezurik valve body for \$5,961.00 at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to accept the quote from Envirotech Services., Inc. for application of 1,400 gallons Roadsaver for a priced of \$1,372.00, for dust control on the Genoa ATV Trail. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve membership in Minnesota Rural Water Association May 2016 to May 2017 for a cost of \$285.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bol second by Skalko to approve Spring Alley Cleanup for the week of May 23 ó 27, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve transferring \$14,193.50 from the General Fund to Fund 501 Capital Improvement Fund to help fund the road projects. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to acknowledge the Revenues/Expenditures through April 30, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kutsi spoke to Senator Tomassoni regarding the bonding bill, it is in limbo for now. Tomassoni is working on lowering the cost of a variance request for mercury. There was a campground meeting recently, they are looking at doing some upgrades. Will put on the next agenda to look at hiring Erik Wedge of DSGW to draw up some plans for these upgrades at the campground.

Councilor Bol is happy that the Emergency Operations Plan was tabled, and used Gulbranson's spill as an example as why we don't need. Their spill was contained and cleaned up with no problems.

City Engineer Jamnick gave some updates:

- 2 weeks left on the waterline project.
- Finishing up work on the lower Florida project.
- Backfill completed on the Briski property and testing lab was there, all OK, project will move forward.
- Did get a letter into the MPCA to respond to their items in a letter received.

Chief Techar had 67 blight letters sent out. He would like the Councilors to review the blight list and review the descriptions. Gilbert has a very aggressive ordinance. Biwabik had also adopted the same ordinance that Gilbert had, and Biwabik changed to a complaint based ordinance. He explained the process to the council, and asked the council what direction they would like go with the Nuisance Ordinance, if they want to do anything. Mayor Kutsi asked to put this on the next agenda so that a committee can be formed and action can be taken.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar

- Talked about pricing for LED lights, pricing was given to all council.
- Discussed the mercury tests. There have been 3 pilot tests, they came in at 0.8 which is well under the 1.8 limit.

Motion by Bol second by Liimatta to authorize Public Works Operations Director Lautigar to get quotes to install LED lights. Motion carried unanimously.

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Library Director Miller

- 5/13/16 ó Anima Monga from 4 ó 7 p.m., last one until September.
- 5/16/16 ó Legacy Program ó Make-up & Theaterization ó Theater related ó 3:30 p.m.
- 5/16/16 ó Color Club ó 5 ó 7 p.m.
- 5/23/16 ó Dr. Anton Treuer ó talk on his publication ðWarrior Nationö ó 1:00 p.m.
- 5/24 & 5/25/16 ó online catalog will be down in the entire state, data migrating to new servers, first state of upgrades for the next 6 months

Campground Managers John & Barb Rautanen

- Campground is completely booked this coming weekend, May 14 & 15 and Memorial weekend as well as a few other weekends throughout the summer. Looking to be a good year.
- Monthly sites all booked this year.
- Will probably need picnic tables, will research and come back to the council for that request (10 ó 15 picnic tables)
- Councilor Pontinen asked about Good Sam membership and if it is still needed. John stated that it is needed and a lot of people use that service and it helps with weekday rentals.
- Will also note that the cliffs are closed.

Motion by Skalko second by Bol to approve bills and payroll subject to audit by Mayor and Clerk. Roll Call ó Pontinen ó Nay; Skalko ó Aye; Kutsi ó Aye; Bol ó Aye; Liimatta ó Aye. Motion carried 4 - 1.

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to acknowledge the Library Board Minutes of March 7, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk/Treasurer Sakrison announced that if anyone is interested in filing for Mayor or Council they can do so starting 5/17/16 ó 5/31/16, applications are available in the City office, and the filing fee is \$2.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Debra Sakrison, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Robert Kutsi, Mayor