

CITY OF GILBERT
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 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 Jannick, Chief Techar, Public Works Operations Director Lautigar, Library Director Miller and City Clerk/Treasurer Sakrison.

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

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to approve the agenda with addition of 6B2- Quit Claim Deed. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Bol second by Liimatta to approve the June 14, 2016 Regular City Council Minutes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Public Input: None

Staff Reports:

- Chief Ty Techar:
 - Cliff Jumping – have been issuing citations for trespassing. The trespassing signs are being torn off daily, so they will be installing cameras to apprehend whomever is involved.
- Public Works Operations Director Lautigar:
 - Received a quote to sandblast & paint (40) street light poles on Broadway Street at approximately \$18,200.
 - Storm Sewer in alley between Nebraska & New York collapsed, at least one block, bottom rotted out. This will need to be replaced in the near future.
 - Summer help has been slim. Volunteers have been maintaining the cemetery. Curb painting will not get done.
 - Had a meeting with Stantec today. Discussed timeline for sewer plant/sewer system. Major electrical problem with one of the pumps a few weeks ago, but it has been resolved with a spare part. Needs major updating very soon.
 - Need to string a rope through the posts at the beach, will need to find a boat or waders to complete this task. Signs have been ordered that state “Dangerous Drop-Off” and will be placed as soon as received. Water level in Lake Ore-Be-Gone keeps fluctuating. It is not identified as a “lake”, but typical guidelines are followed.
- Library Director Miller:
 - June 29 @ 1:00 p.m. Legacy Program – Pine Theater – Tortoise & the Hare, followed by Story Time
 - June 30 @ 4:00 p.m. Summer Olympic Games
 - Closed July 4th
 - July 11th - Lego Math for teens

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- July 13 @ 10:30 a.m. Cory Purkat – CEO of Fiduciary Advisors – Will talk about retirement
- July 14 @ 11:00 a.m. Northern Lights Music Kids for Kids
- July 15 @ 3:30 p.m. Prof. Marvel’s Magic Olympic Show – Pre-School thru 5th Grade

Mayor, Council, Boards & Commissions Reports:

- Councilor Skalko reported that they met to update the Nuisance Ordinance but it is still a work in progress.
- Mayor Kutsi thanked John Skalko for all the work he is doing at the cemetery.
- City Attorney Kearney
 - Stated that the investigative report regarding allegations of misconduct has been completed by the attorney and the report will be given to the Council Members, but reminded them all that it is still personal & confidential at this time subject to disclosure restrictions. After everyone has had a chance to look at the report he will consult with the Mayor and the League of MN Cities as to the course of action that the City of Gilbert should take.
 - Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to authorize Mayor Kutsi & Clerk Sakrison to sign the Quit Claim Deed to Mike Sailor pending approval by Attorney Kearney. Motion Carried Unanimously.
- City Engineer Jammick
 - Restoration on Highway 135 has been completed and the seeding on the lower Florida is finished. Weather has caused some delay.
- Planning & Zoning Commission was unable to meet due to lack of quorum. Attorney Kearney will look into the City Charter to see if there is anything that the City Council can do without the Planning & Zoning Commission, but suggested that they look at appointing some new members/people that will be involved.

Old Business:

Emergency Operations Plan Update – Nothing new to report.

Nuisance Ordinance Update – Nothing new to report

Request for a Pulse Electric Meter – Nothing new to report.

New Business:

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to approve Resolution 2016-09, accepting a Donation from the Gulbranson Excavating Co. for the purchase of Library computers and chairs in the amount of \$7,000. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to authorize the purchase of computers and chairs for the Gilbert Public Library in the amount not to exceed \$7,000. Motion Carried Unanimously.

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Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to authorize Trudy Salo to attend the Minnesota Wastewater Operator Conference in Grand Rapids July 27-29, 2016 and to pay the conference registration fee of \$250 and mileage from Fayal to Grand Rapids each day. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Bol second by Liimatta to appoint Michael Peterson, term to expire 1/31/2018, and Jennifer Thiel, term to expire 1/31/2019, to the Gilbert Public Library Board. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve the agreement with Minnesota Power to conduct the work on the electrical distribution system not to exceed \$26,000 to be paid from the Electric Fund. Approved.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to designate three (3) handicap accessible parking spaces (2) on Broadway Street and (1) on Michigan Avenue West by the VFW. Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

Motion by Skalko second by Bol to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Debra Sakrison, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Robert Kutsi, Mayor