

City of Gilbert  
Regular Council Meeting  
August 27, 2013  
6:30 p.m.

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

Present: Skenzich, Schutte, Kutsi, Skalko and Nemanick

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Attorney Brunfelt, Operations Director Lautigar, Library Director Miller, Clerk Sakrison and Secretary Olsen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Kutsi, second by Schutte to approve the agenda. All approved.

Ted Erchul was present requesting to purchase the land located to the east of the hockey arena. He stated this was his third request and he would like to build a home on the property.

The council stated there are several areas to be clarified such as zoning issues, title issues, infrastructure costs and purchase price. The council suggested Erchul meet with Planning & Zoning on the matter.

It was the consensus of the council to have Lautigar and City Engineer Jamnick determine the cost of running infrastructure to the property. The council also requested Attorney Brunfelt to get the legal description and look into title issues.

Motion by Kutsi, second by Schutte to approve the city council minutes of August 13, 2013. All approved.

Motion by Schutte, second by Skalko to accept the 2012 Audit Report. All approved.

Greg Knutson of Walker, Giroux and Hahne stated his firm would like to continue to provide auditing services to the City of Gilbert.

Motion by Kutsi, second by Schutte to grant the request from Ruby's Pantry to use the Gilbert Arena free of charge for a potato give away. All approved.

Motion by Schutte, second by Kutsi to accept the July 2013 Financial Statement. All approved.

Kutsi expressed interest in having the city review ordinances regarding rental properties.

Kutsi also inquired on the status of the internal posting for the upcoming vacancy in the Public Works Department. Lautigar stated it had not yet been posted.

Lautigar reported on the recent power outage stating he is waiting for a report on the city's sub-station.

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Lautigar also reported on the Sparta rink removal and clean up. Nemanick questioned the rink clean up taking precedence over alley clean up. Lautigar stated alley clean up would have been a scheduled week of manpower where the rink clean up is the random use of time mainly by the summer casual laborers.

Library Director Miller reported the library would be closed the entire first week of September for the installation of new carpet.

Miller also reported on the various summer library programs.

Miller informed the council of the Iron Range Research Archivist located at Iron World where the city could send older records for preservation.

Clerk Sakrison informed the council she and Mayor Skenzich met with representatives from Community Resource Development LLC regarding working with the city on long term funding and grants.

Councilor Schutte thought the city should consider the option as it may tie in with the city's ten year plan and capital improvements.

Clerk Sakrison stated there is need for clarification on the city's ordinance regarding solicitation. The council agreed to have Attorney Brunfelt review the ordinance.

Sakrison also informed the council of her recent training with the Banyon system and stated the council would be receiving monthly financial statements.

Motion by Kutsi, second by Skalko to approve payment of bills and payroll pending clarification on the invoice from the City of Virginia. All approved.

Motion by Schutte, second by Skalko to acknowledge the minutes of the Library Board meeting of June 3, 2013 and the minutes of the EFGSD Joint Powers Board meeting of August 13, 2013. All approved.

Mayor Skenzich reported he was contacted by Roy Breeden to possibly find a location for the March of Dimes Plaques which are now housed in the Gilbert School.

Motion by Schutte, second by Skalko to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. All approved.

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Michael Skenzich, Mayor

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Debra Sakrison, City Clerk/Treasurer