

**CITY OF GILBERT**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2012**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Mayor Bellerud called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bellerud, Councilors Garrity, Nemanick and Schutte.

Absent: Councilor Gentile.

Staff Present: City Attorney Brunfelt, City Engineer Jannick, Operations Director Lautigar and City Clerk Darrow.

Mayor Bellerud led the audience in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Nemanick second by Schutte to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and Special Meeting Minutes of January 31<sup>st</sup>. All approved.

Motion by Nemanick second by Schutte to approve the minutes of the Gilbert Cemetery Board meeting. All approved.

The Mayor asked if there was any public comment. No public comment was taken.

George Eilertson from Northland presented information pertaining to the General Obligation Bond Sale. The City received an A bond rating from Standard and Poors. During the bond sale, the City received an excellent rate of 1.69% for the new GO Bond. The interest rate and repayment will result in a long-term savings of over \$70,000 for the City of Gilbert. Mr. Eilertson also provided details regarding the resolution. The resolution covers the establishment of the terms and conditions of the GO Bond, directs the City for the execution and delivery of the bond, creates a new debt service account and awards the winning bid. After discussion, the Council member Schutte made a motion to approve the GO Bond Sale and Resolution, seconded by Nemanick. All approved. 4-0.

Motion by Garrity and seconded by Nemanick to approve payment of bills and payroll subject to audit by Mayor and Clerk. City Clerk Darrow mentioned that the Northern Engine Bill should be \$25.84 rather than \$2584. All approved. 4-0.

Councilor Nemanick reported that the Joint Recreation Board was awarded funds for new ball fields as part of Minnesota Twins funds. Councilor Nemanick also inquired if the City could look into the structural issues of the Gilbert Bar before taking the building down. Clerk Darrow mentioned that the City has received funds for the demotion of the property, however he will check in with the City Engineer and City Zoning Administrator and report back to the Council on February 28<sup>th</sup> with updates. Councilor Garrity would like the City Clerk to continue to work with the job descriptions of the staff. He also mentioned that the contract with MMUA will be ending soon. Clerk Darrow mentioned that he will look into the deliverables of the contract and put this issue on the agenda for February 28<sup>th</sup>. The City Attorney indicated that he will report back to the City on issues related to vacant properties during the first meeting in March. Operations Director Lautigar indicated that the students from Gilbert Elementary submitted drawings regarding

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clean water. Clerk Darrow mentioned that this effort was part of the City's Wellhead Protection Plan. Mr. Lautigar also mentioned that the new hire will be starting next Tuesday.

There were two requests for Bingo. One was for a PTA Bingo and the other was for Knights of Columbus. Attached is bingo application request for a PTA Bingo. Council member Schutte made a motion to approve the Bingo requests and was seconded by Nemanick. All approved. 4-0.

The Operations Director discussed the pole replacement/repair request along Highway 135. It is estimated that the pole replacement and electrical costs for this project will exceed \$1,600.00. Motion by Garrity and seconded by Nemanick. All approved. 4-0.

During the last Council meeting, the City asked that the City Attorney and City Clerk review the IT contract. The City Clerk has also directed Steve Peterson to include specific office hours as part of the contract. The updated contract included a reduction in overall costs for the City. The City Attorney also noted that several items within the contract need to be cleaned up, however it would not prevent the contract from being passed. Motion by Garrity and seconded by Schutte. All approved. 4-0.

Clerk Darrow presented information regarding the Apple iPad II. These tablets would be owned by the City of Gilbert for city use only. The cost of each tablet is approximately \$472 plus tax. This does not include setup and programming costs which are anticipated to cost an additional \$150-\$200 per computer. The total cost of five tablets, including setup, etc. would run \$3250-\$3500. Clerk Darrow noted that paper copies will still be available for residents or council members, as needed. If purchased, the City would eliminate paper copies for council members. The total cost of printing copies for council meetings is between \$2500-\$3000 annually. This doesn't include the labor costs of putting the packets together or the fuel costs of driving council packets to each council member. Motion by Nemanick and seconded by Schutte. All approved. 4-0.

Clerk Darrow informed the Council about the Highway 53 PAC meeting and provided updates regarding informal requests for grants and Right-of-Way from MnDOT. He also mentioned that the LMNC event will take place in St. Paul in March.

Motion by Schutte second by Nemanick to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. All approved. 4-0.

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Mayor

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City Clerk

The aforementioned is a summary of the action items from this meeting. To listen to the full transcript of this meeting, please contact City staff at 218.748.2232.