

CITY OF GILBERT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

Present: Mayor Kutsi, Councilors Pontinen, Bol, and Liimatta.

Absent: Councilor Skalko absent with notice.

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

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

Motion by Liimatta second by Pontinen to approve the agenda with the addition of 4D IRRRB Mining Impacts Grant. Motion carried.

Public Input

Bill Addy is seeking \$850 for the kiddie parade and the use of the concession stand for a fundraiser for the United in Christ youth group on July 4, 2015.

Motion by Kutsi second by Liimatta to contribute \$850 to the kiddie parade. Motion carried.

Motion by Bol second by Liimatta to allow the use of the concession stand on July 4, 2015 by the United in Christ youth group for no charge. Motion carried.

Motion by Pontinen second by Bol to approve the April 28, 2015 Public Hearing meeting minutes and the April 28, 2015 Regular City Council meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Pontinen second by Liimatta to approve the \$5000 payment to Rendrag, Inc. for Enterprise Trail easement. Motion carried.

Motion by Pontinen second by Bol to approve Terah Trucano-Rinerson's request to attend Waterworks Operators School in Ely May 13 -15, 2015. Motion carried.

Motion by Pontinen second by Liimatta to approve Resolution 2015-09 authorizing the City of Gilbert to make an application to accept funds from the IRRRB Mining Impacts Grant program. The grant is for \$82,725 to remove overhead power lines and poles from Sparta. Motion carried.

Mayor Kutsi thanked the staff for their nice work at the campground office.

Mayor Kutsi stated that the HRA is requesting the reappointment of Patrick Gentile to the Gilbert Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board of Commissions with the term ending May 8, 2020. Motion by Bol second by Liimatta to reappoint Patrick Gentile. Motion carried.

Councilor Bol inquired if another arrangement has been discussed with Roller Underground. Discussion that they were notified of the council's decision and a response has not been received.

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City Engineer Jammick stated that he met with Utility Systems of America. The city agreed to reduce liquidated damages and USA will continue with the project.

City Engineer Jammick stated that he met with the IRRRB about the grants awarded to the city. The IRRRB does not have any issues with the city moving forward with the MN TH 135 water line project even if the City of McKinley does not construct their line this year.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar discussed the hiring of four summer workers. The workers selected are: Joseph Marolt, Brian Sandstrom, Mathew Erchul, and Mitchell Huffman. They are all from Gilbert. Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to hire the seasonal temporary employees. Motion carried.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar discussed having Great Lakes Pipe Service clean and televise the sewer lines. Motion by Bol second by Kutsi to approve up to \$7500 for Great Lakes Pipe Service to clean and televise the sewer lines. Councilor Pontinen asked about televising. Lautigar stated the League of Minnesota Cities wants all lines cleaned and televised every five years. Jammick stated that cleaning is the most important part. Motion carried.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar discussed the lime pump spill that occurred last August at the water plant. Staff attempted to clean it up. The damage was extensive and a claim was submitted to the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust. Quotes were received from Service Master Industrial and Servpro. Flaking lead paint will also be scraped, removed, and repainted. Motion by Liimatta second by Kutsi to approve contracting with Servpro to clean up the water plant lime spill for \$63,952. Motion carried.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar discussed the Rock N Pines lift station. He stated a pump needed to be replaced, check valves need to be replaced, and a new control panel is needed. The Rock N Pines and Genoa lift stations were installed in the late 1970's. A pump is being rebuilt for the Genoa lift station. He is getting quotes for a control cabinet. The first quote received was for about \$16,000. The pumps in the lift stations are not interchangeable. Each lift station is a different size.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar would like a committee to work on updating the electrical ordinance. Councilor Pontinen volunteered to be on the committee. Discussion that Bob Garrity and Councilor Skalko may be interested in being on the committee. Motion by Liimatta second by Kutsi to organize a committee of volunteers to revise the electrical ordinance. Motion carried.

Library Director Miller stated that she will not be present for the second meeting in May.

Library Director Miller stated that library's summer hours will begin May 23<sup>rd</sup> and last until after Labor Day.

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Library Director Miller stated that the Moo Traveling Trunk Show is on May 19th at 6:00 p.m. at Merritt Elementary School in Mt. Iron. It is a good opportunity for kids.

Library Director Miller stated that “Big Hero 6” will be playing on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Gilbert Public Library.

Campground Manager John Rautanen thanked the public works crew for all the work done in the office. He stated that the campground is full for Memorial Day and the Fourth of July. He also stated that there is a waiting list when the campground is full. Cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to arrival, or deposit will be lost. Campground Manager John Rautanen stated that improvements are continuing to be made to the campground.

Motion by Kutsi second by Liimatta to approve payment of bills and payroll. Motion carried.

Mayor Kutsi discussed the request by Devo’s Sandbar, Jim’s Seldom Inn, and The Dugout to have the street dance on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July, going until 1:00 a.m. They also requested to set up a trailer and band across the street from Devo’s and The Dugout prior to the parade. Motion by Bol second by Kutsi to approve having the street dance on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July until 1:00 a.m. and allowing the trailer for the band to be set up prior to the parade. Motion carried.

Motion by Liimatta second by Pontinen to acknowledge the April 8, 2015 EFGSD Joint Powers Recreation Board minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Motion carried.

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Debra Sakrison, Clerk/Treasurer

ATTEST:

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Robert Kutsi, Mayor