

**CITY OF GILBERT**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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

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

Absent: Councilor Bol (w/Notice)

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

Staff Absent: None.

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

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve the agenda with the addition of 5.C.1-Approve Quote for Kansas Soil Correction. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input:

Mayor Kutsi gave recognition to the Gilbert First Responders & Police Officer Haken for their response to and saving of a Gilbert resident's life. He also gave recognition to all those that responded and helped out Life Link at the OHV park.

Virginia Fire Chief Lewis also gave a personal thank you to all those involved in the life saving of a Gilbert resident, who is now recuperating at home.

Councilor Skalko also gave a Big Thank you to all those involved.

Cliff Tobey, President of Local Union 2660 at KeeTac, asked for an update on the foreign pipe issue. City Engineer Jamnick stated that after speaking to the contractor, the contractor is abandoning the one casing sleeve piping in place, and giving a credit from the contractor to the City for that pipe and the work done. This one piece of pipe is a casing sleeve not a water carrying pipe. All of the other piping is American made and was specified that way. To have this casing pipe removed would require the closure of two businesses for 2 ó 3 days. Councilor Pontinen wants the pipe removed. The removal of this pipe will be placed on the next agenda.

Bill Addy, a representative of the Gilbert Kiddy Parade, requested a donation of \$1,000 for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Kiddy Parade. It pays the band, honor guard, & prizes. This will be placed on the next agenda.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve the April 12, 2016 Regular City Council Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 3 for the T.H. 135 Water Main / Lower Florida Infrastructure project of \$105,821.73 to Bougalis, Inc., upon receipt of certified payroll reports. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve purchase of turn out gear from Emergency Response Solutions per Quote # 2287, dated April 21, 2016 for \$1,623.53. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to support reappointment of Joseph Skofich to the Gilbert Housing & Redevelopment Authority Board of Commissioners with a term expiring on May 8, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to donate \$1,000 to the Gilbert 3<sup>rd</sup> of July Committee. Pontinen stated that the City already has the Police and Public Works crew that are involved in this event. Skalko stated that this is a major event for the City of Gilbert. John Shega, of Aspire Agency, stated that his business will also put up \$500 towards this event if the City can find businesses in Gilbert to match the \$500. Motion carried 3 - 1.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to support holding a Street Dance on Saturday, July 2, 2016 as part of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July activities in Gilbert. Motion carried 3 - 1.

Motion by Pontinen second by Skalko to table request to revive consideration of the issue of contracting with Hundrieser Consulting LLC for an update to the City of Gilbert's Emergency Operations Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Reminder that Ore-Be-Gone Cliffs are closed to jumping. At the December 22, 2015 Regular Council meeting, there was a motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to look at temporarily closing the cliffs to jumping on Lake Ore-Be-Gone. Liability is a huge issue. Signs will be posted, and it will be a trespassing violation. Motion carried unanimously.

City Engineer Jammick stated that the Highway 135 project will start on April 27 and it will start west of Holiday and go up the hill. He also stated that four (4) quotes were received for the Kansas Additional Residential ó Phase 1 project, and he recommended awarding the project to the low quote of \$28,500.00 from Mesabi Bituminous.

Motion by Pontinen second by Skalko to award Mesabi Bituminous the Kansas Additional Residential ó Phase 1 project, for their quote of \$28,500.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Operations Director Lautigar

- Pilot study is up and running at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Street sweeping is done
- St. Louis County has new rules regarding cities dumping of branches & brush, Commercial & cities can no longer dump for free. Residential can dump for free. The City could get a 2 week pass. This will be put on the next agenda for Spring Clean-Up.

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Library Director Miller

- 4/29/16 ó movie night ó ðStar Wars: The Force Awakensö @ 5:30 p.m.
- 5/6/16 ó Motherø Day Craft @ 4:00 p.m. ó making recipe cards
- 5/9/16 ó Legacy Program ó Graphic Memoir @ 3:30 p.m.
- 5/9/16 ó Pinterest Project @ 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve bills and payroll subject to audit by Mayor and Clerk. Roll Call ó Pontinen ó Nay; Skalko ó Aye; Kutsi ó Aye; Liimatta ó Aye. Motion carried 3-1.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to acknowledge the appointment of Al Larsen, DNR employee, to Iron Range Tourism Board of Directors, and the EFGSD Joint Powers Recreation Board Minutes of March 9, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Sakrison noted that Al Larsen, from the OHV Park, stopped in and stated that their connector trail has been approved, so they will be starting construction mid-to-May on the north side from the tunnel up to the berm.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Debra Sakrison, City Clerk

ATTEST:

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Robert Kutsi, Mayor