

CITY OF GILBERT
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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

Present: Mayor Kutsi, Councilors Pontinen, Skalko, Bol (late w/Notice) & Liimatta.

Absent: None.

Staff Present: City Attorney Kearney, Chief Techar, Library Director Miller and City Clerk/Treasurer Sakrison.

Staff Absent: City Engineer Jamnick (w/Notice), and Public Works Operations Director Lautigar (w/Notice)

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 Item 8.M. Resolution to Apply for IRRRB FY 17 Grant. Motion Carried Unanimously (MCU).

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve the August 8, 2016 Work Session Minutes and August 8, 2016 Regular City Council Minutes. MCU.

Public Input: None

Staff Reports:

- Chief Ty Techar: Nothing to report.
- Library Director Miller
 - Thursday, August 25, 2016 – Legacy Program – Patrick Mader author of MN Gold: About all the Minnesota Athletes that have made it to the Olympics – 3:30 p.m.
 - Closed Labor Day – September 5, 2016
 - Library Board Meeting will be Tuesday, September 6, 2016.
 - Fall hours begin on September 6, 2016. Will be open an hour later.
 - Pinterest projects will meet the 2nd Monday of the month @ 5:30 p.m. September will be making a wall monogram.
 - New Program – Cookbook Club – 3rd Monday of the month from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Will be potluck and themed each month. Theme for September will be vegetable based dishes. A cookbook will be compiled in May. Everyone is welcome to come and talk, community based exercise.

Mayor, Council, Boards & Commissions Reports:

- Councilor Skalko was approached by Mike Hultman concerning the boards in the arena. They are in very bad shape. They are going to do some fundraising to get them replaced. This building is needed for the hockey program.
- Mayor Kutsi asked about the Pat White garage, garage is sitting off of the property line. This needs to be put on the next agenda to get an update.

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- City Attorney Kearney brought up the investigation of complaints.
 - The council was previously given a copy of the results of the investigation. Everyone has had a chance to review it.
 - The Mayor and Attorney Kearney contacted the League attorney's to see what direction to take, and they indicated that the City Council should be on record that the City of Gilbert does not condone the behavior of the Councilor Pontinen in regards to City Clerk Sakrison.
 - Councilor Pontinen asked how much this investigation cost. City Clerk Sakrison stated that it cost approximately \$7,500.
 - Councilor Pontinen did not know that this would become public data and asked that City Attorney Kearney read the last page of the report since it was public.

Old Business:

Emergency Operations Plan Update – Nothing new to report.

Nuisance Ordinance Update – Nothing new to report

New Business:

After some discussion with a property owner regarding Gilbert Code of Ordinances Chapter 130.01.C (Discharge of firearms and explosives) and 130.01.G (Use of bow and arrow), it is currently unlawful for any person to use either a firearm or bow & arrow within the city limits of Gilbert. A committee of Councilor Pontinen, Councilor Skalko and Chief Techar will meet and address this issue.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve the City of Gilbert opting out of the regulations put forth in Minnesota Statutes §462.3593 which defines & regulates Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings. MCU.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to accept Judith Kramerich's resignation from the Planning & Zoning Commission and to appoint Lonnie Gulbranson to fill the remainder of that term expiring January 31, 2017. MCU.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to donate a city lot – Lot 1, Block 1 of the Ore-Be-Gone Development along Sherwood Forest Drive to Habitat for Humanity. MCU.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to schedule a Special City Council meeting to canvass the General Election results for November 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. and the Regular City Council meeting to November 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. MCU.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve Resolution 2016-11, Resolution Setting Forth an Electronic Transfer Policy. MCU.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to approve Resolution 2016-12, Quit Claim Deed to FitzCorp, Inc. MCU. (Reaffirming previous action related to sale of Wandering Pines)

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Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve the transfer of \$35,863.90 from the Sherwood Forest Campground checking account to the City's operating checking account. MCU.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to refund the down payment made for Lot 6, Block 3 of the Lake Ore-Be-Gone Plat to Scott & Monique Sandquist for \$1,000. MCU.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to purchase an additional module, Energy Assistance, for the Utility Billing software for \$3,000, with annual support of \$540. MCU.

Motion by Bol second by Liimatta to approve doing an in house project for upgrading recording equipment in the City Council Chambers for a price not to exceed \$4,975. Motion Carried 4-1.

Motion by Liimatta second by Bol to approve the 2017 proposed rates for Sherwood Forest Campground as approved by the Campground Board. MCU.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve Resolution No. 2016-13, Resolution Authorizing City of Gilbert to Make Application To and Accept Funds from FY 17 Development Infrastructure Grant Program with the IRRRB. Pontinen – Aye; Skalko – Aye; Kutsi – Aye; Bol – Aye, Liimatta – Aye. MCU.

Motion by Bol second by Pontinen to allow Councilor Pontinen to prepare a rebuttal regarding the results of the investigation of complaints. Motion Fails 2 – 3.

Motion by Liimatta second by Skalko to not condone the behavior of Councilor Pontinen in regards to City Clerk Sakrison. Motion Carried 3 – 1, with 1 abstain.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to approve bills and payroll subject to audit by Mayor and Clerk. MCU.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to acknowledge the EFGSD Joint Powers Recreation Board Minutes of June 8, 2016 & July 13, 2016. MCU.

A resident near Cedar Island Drive stated that one of the corners is very dangerous and requested signs to be installed. 2 signs have been knocked down. She asked that a guardrail be installed. Chief Techar noted that it is a St. Louis County road and he will talk to St. Louis County Road & Bridge and do a follow-up.

Motion by Skalko second by Liimatta to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. MCU.



Debra Sakrison, City Clerk

ATTEST:



Robert Kutsi, Mayor