

CITY OF GILLETT COMMON COUNCIL
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
150 N McKenzie Ave., Gillett, WI
MINUTES

Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 6:00 PM

1. **Mayor Beaton called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

Roll Call

Present: Mayor James Beaton, Alderpersons Irene Drake, Josh McCarthy, Matt Stroik, Sandra Hubbard, Nanette Mohr, Marie Blaser, Utility Operator Ron Anderson, Attorney Katherine Sloma, Police Chief Jess Keplinger, Fire Chief Kurt Hicks, and Clerk Treasurer Kim Gruetzmacher. Public Kevin Smith, Wendy Vorpahl, Times Herald Editor Warren Bluhm, Kelly Roberts, and Thomas and Linda Resch. Public Works Foreman Shane Rank was excused. Jake Steldt was absent.

2. **Clerk informs the Council that the Open Meeting Law has been complied with**
3. **PUBLIC INPUT:** Thomas Resch, owner of apartments at the end of Robin hood Lane, and his business manager addressed council with concerns of two upcoming events that are going to be held by the bar at the end of the road. They stated that they have tenants that are complaining about the noise on outdoor events. The Mayor gave them suggestions on how to address the concerns. Alderperson Stroik reported that the TVs by Iron Horse are falling into the street. The Mayor stated he will follow up with Troy.
4. Discussion & possible action on minutes for August 2 and August 15, 2018.

MOTION: Stroik/Blaser

Motion to approve minutes for August 2 and August 15, 2018.

Voice Vote: All Ayes - **MOTION CARRIED**

5. **CDA Report:** Alderperson Mohr reported that MSA came to the last CDA meeting and the City contracted with them to create the 1.5 mile radius addition to the tax incremental district. MSA will be at the next CDA meeting on September 19 to discuss services in detail as well as grant option available to the City. The extension for the tax incremental district has to be completed by the end of September.

MOTION: McCarthy/Stroik

Motion that we accept MSA for the TID extension services with estimated work up to \$10,000.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes - **MOTION CARRIED**

6. **Library Report:** Alderperson Mohr óWritten report
Alderperson Mohr reported that the library lost their childrens librarian; Cathy Erdman resigned and accepted a position with the Gillett Elementary School. The library is now accepting applications. Downtown markets have had music entertainment that has been enjoyed. There have been 5-6 regular vendors who have been attending the markets this year.

7. **Tourism & Marketing Commission Report:** Jake Steldt was absentó no report.

8. **Financial Report:** Kim Gruetzmacher

- a. Updated Monthly Check Register Provided

MOTION: McCarthy/Drake

Motion to accept the financial report.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes - **MOTION CARRIED**

9. **Police Department Report:** Police Chief Keplinger was excused.

- a. Discussion on Incident Summary Report ó Incident report was provided for the month.
- b. Discussion on Training and Public Relations- Chief reported that the fair went well with the only major incident being the traffic crash on McKenzie. The first day of school went well and Chief toured all of the schools and met with the new staff members. The new police schedule starting September 1st will allow one officer to spend time at the school in both buildings even though the school was unable to assist with funding for this. Chief assisted the school with receiving a \$61,200 grant for the district for the school safety program. Chief Keplinger and Officer Schneider will be attending evidence training and instructor update training in September. Chief Keplinger stated that Officer Schneider did an awesome job while Chief was on leave.

10. Fire Department Report: Fire Chief Hicks

a. Discussion on Training, Public Relations, and Incident Summary Report ó

Fire Chief Hicks reported they had seven calls during August. On August 13 they responded to a gas leak, August 18 responded to the truck/tractor incident on McKenzie and assisted with traffic control, August 22, 30 & 31 responded to Carfair false alarms going off, and August 24 responded to Peshtigo National Bank and Carfair for alarms from the power outage. The department had training with Underhill last Tuesday and has the burn tower search and rescue training on Saturday. The annual corn roast held on Friday, August 10th was their best event to date. Also, for the first time the department attended the Suring Labor Day Parade with the trucks. Chief reported that the air compressor was fried so they had to purchase a new one and that the airbags in the back of truck had to be replaced. Engine 1912 blew electrical components and headlight that were serviced yesterday. The department has two new members ó Leo Gomber and Erik Jenkins.

11. Health, Protection and License Committee Report: Alderperson

a. Discussion and Possible Action on approving Resolution to accept Doty, Lakewood, and Townsend in joint court ó Attorney Sloma advised to defer to next month because the agreement still needs to be processed.

12. Board of Public Works Committee Report: Alderperson Stroik

a. Discussion and Possible Action on approval of construction bills and pay requests

MOTION: Drake/Mohr

Motion that we approve pay request for \$106,713.74.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes MOTION CARRIED

Alderperson Stroik reported that Public Works Foreman Shane Rank is pleased with new engineer company. We get weekly reports that are in detail of the project and the working relationship is better.

13. Utility Committee Report: Alderperson Drake

a. Discussion and Possible Action on approval of construction bills and pay requests

MOTION: Stroik/Mohr

Motion to approve pay request for water of \$129,078.86 and sewer of \$147,247.25.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes MOTION CARRIED

b. Discussion and Possible Action on approving Delbert Debauch to hunt on wastewater treatment plant land

MOTION: Mohr/Blaser

Motion to approve Delbert Debauch to hunt on wastewater treatment plant land.

Voice Vote: All Ayes MOTION CARRIED

Utility Operator Ron Anderson reported that they are very busy with a lot on their plate for fall.

14. Finance and Personnel Committee Report: Alderperson Mohr reminded everyone that September 12 at 8am will be the first budget workshop meeting.

15. Park and Cemetery Committee Report: Alderperson Hubbard

a. Discussion and Possible Action on approving site 2 for the trailhead location (old volleyball court location near the basketball court near North McKenzie)

MOTION: Stroik/McCarthy

Motion to approve site 2 for trailhead location.

Voice Vote: McCarthy & Stroik ó Ayes; Drake, Hubbard, Blaser & Mohr - Nays

MOTION NOT CARRIED

Per Attorney will need to put the item back on the committee agenda.

16. Planning Committee Report: Alderperson McCarthy

a. Discussion and Possible Action on raze order for 212 E Main Street ó Alderperson McCarthy reported that it has been in discussion of the property to change hands. The committee would like to move forward with a raze order. Attorney Sloma reported that City needs to get permission to go in the building have the building inspector and a contractor go through the property. Alderperson McCarthy will be contacting owner of record.

17. Clerk Treasurer's Report: Clerk reported that the office is getting ready for budget preparations.

18. Attorneys Report: Attorney Sloma - no report

19. Mayor's Report: Mayor Beaton reported that he is currently working with WE Energies regarding the power outage/surge that happened on August 24th. He also reported that he attended the last fair board meeting and that the fair board is looking at ways to bring a carnival next year. Mayor will try to attend the next fair board meeting. Mayor reminded City Council to keep agenda items up to date and do everything to be timely and accurate. After

discussion Mr. Orby Jones is leaving the rules as is for Sunday start times at the Orby Jones Complex. Mayor also reported that the City hired a new engineer firm and they are doing a great job. Any complaints on the project should be fielded through Shane & Ron first. Mayor also reminded everyone of the Tiger Tailgate event prior to the football game Friday, and the upcoming Homecoming committee with people trying to bring back the old ideas (bon fire) which will be hosting a meeting Sunday at 4:30pm at the Clock Church.

20. Adjournment at 7:22 PM.

MOTION: Drake/McCarthy

Motion to adjourn.

Voice Vote: All Ayes - MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Gruetzmacher, Clerk Treasurer