

**CITY OF GILLETT
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Council Chambers – Municipal Building
150 N McKenzie Ave – Gillett, WI 54124

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2020 AT 4:00 PM
MINUTES**

Meeting Called to Order by Chairperson Stroik at 4:00 PM

Roll Call Present: Alderpersons Matthew Stroik and Gary Spaulding. **Absent:** None

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Tonni Larson, Alderpersons Debbie Rudie, Marie Blaser, Sandy Hubbard and Utility and Public Works Department Head Ron Anderson. Mayor Josh McCarthy and Nanette Mohr were excused.

One member of community, Norman Finnell was also present.

Deputy Clerk informs Committee that Open Meeting Law has been complied with and Roll has been taken.

PUBLIC INPUT: One member of the community was in attendance. Given time on the floor to address the council, he stated he was in attendance to voice concerns of selecting containers over stickers for garbage pickup. He felt the residents that he represents, were in favor of maintaining the stickers and that the cost of containers was not in the best interest of those he represents. He was concerned that the poll/vote taken on Election Day gave the people a voice and that the council was not taking their input as stickers was the option selected in the outcome.

Alderperson Rudie explained the thought process behind asking for input from resident voters. She explained that this was to poll to gain input from residents but was not meant to be the deciding factor. Plus the polling or vote was split with only 1 additional vote for stickers. Ms. Rudie went on to explain that the council was elected to make the final decision in the best interest of all residents. Ms. Rudie explained the cost difference of containers versus stickers being only \$62. She went on to explain that at the last meeting, the council vote was split 3 to 3 and that the final decision, at the time of this meeting, had not been decided. After further discussion, a vote was taken see below.

1. Discussion and Possible Action on approval of minutes from November 5th, 2020

MOTION: Stroik/Spaulding

Voice Vote: All voting aye. – **MOTION CARRIED**

2. Discussion and Action on Garbage Service for 2021-

Ron Anderson Head of Public Works presented handouts highlighting the cost and benefits of both GAD and HARDERS. He explained the options of the city purchasing versus renting carts and how the carts would be distributed to residents. Either way it will take several weeks to get the carts and we will start the year with garbage pickup in bags without stickers. Once the contract is signed and carts are ordered, the city will be under contract for carts and will pay that cost even with bag pick until carts are received and distributed. There was some discussion on who would be responsible for damaged carts and what the cost would be for replacement. If owner damaged the carts, it would be at their cost to replace. If city damaged carts, city would replace at no cost to the resident such as snow plow damage. Other logistics will be worked out as to cost of replacement, distribution of carts and how many carts will be provided by the City for multi-family properties. Cost proposed to add to the tax bill is \$230. (Copies of handouts are attached to these minutes)

MOTION: Rudie/Spaulding

Motion to approve GAD with carts based on cost and current relationship. Agenda item will move onto Council Meeting for discussion and final vote.

Roll Call Vote: Spaulding Yay and Stroik Yay – **MOTION CARRIED**

3. Discussion on BOND Maturing Effective 12.1.2020 –

Mr. Stroik explained the BOND coming due for projects of both utility and streets that was issued by the City back in 2009. This BOND was at a rate of 4.20% and in the amount of \$110,000 due 12.1.2020.

Ms. Larson explained the structure of a series of BONDS issued, at that time, with a total amount of \$1,970,000. There will be an additional four BONDS maturing each December 1st with the final due on 12.1.2024. Amounts vary from \$120,000 to \$135,000 with rates varying from 4.30% to 4.60%. She also noted that after checking with Kerber Rose, they were very confident that the tax payers had been levied for this amount and that the funds were most likely deposited to the general revenue account back in August. He would working through the accounts to confirm this is the coming weeks and Ms. Larson will advise the group once known and confirmed.

Mr. Stroik wanted to note that the City had an overdraft at the bank on Monday and needed to borrow money from the utility account until the shared revenue funds were deposited to the account. On Tuesday the funds were deposited and Mr. Stroik noted that the \$123,760 would now be transferred back to utility. The check that overdrew the account was to Ehlers for road projects.

MOTION: Rudie/Stroik

To transfer funds back to the utility account, \$123,760, from the city general account using the shared revenue funds now available and to pay the \$110,000 for the maturing BOND from the general account upon maturity on 12.1.2020. Total shared revenue 2020 was \$413,284.09.

4. Adjournment at 4:32 PM.

MOTION: Spaulding/Stroik

Motion to adjourn.

Voice Vote: All voting aye. – **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted by
Deputy Clerk – Tonni Larson