

CITY OF GILLETT COMMON COUNCIL

Council Chambers – Municipal Building
150 N McKenzie Ave – Gillett, WI 54124
THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022 AT 6:00 PM
MINUTES

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

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Josh McCarthy, Alderpersons Nanette Mohr, Debbie Rudie, Marie Blaser, Gary Spaulding, Matt Stroik, Assistant Clerk Treasurer Leone Christensen, Librarian Shannon Stoner, Police Chief Shane Breitenbach, and Fire Chief Kurt Hicks. Public Jon Gildemeister, Luke Riemer with New Media and Kris Piaskowski.

Excused: Utility and Public Works Department Head Ron Anderson and Alderperson Sandra Hubbard

Clerk informs the Council that the Open Meeting Law has been complied with.

Public Input- Matt Stroik asked why no police officers were on duty during the day on Monday and Tuesday. Two officers are still in training. Should be done by the end of January.

Discussion & possible action on minutes for December 2 and 27, 2021

MOTION: Rudie/Blaser

Motion to approve minutes from December 2 and 27, 2021

Voice Vote: All Voting Aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion: Mohr/Blaser to move item 14 before item 5. **Motion Carried.**

Finance and Personnel Committee Report: Mayor Due to absent of Sandra Hubbard

Jon Cameron from Ehlers explained that now is the time to re-finance our General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$1,315,000 due to lower interest rates. By combining the 3 loans the city has we could save \$10,000 to 23,000 a year. This will be voted on at the next council meeting.

Motion by Rudie/Stroik to Adopt Resolution providing for the sale of \$1,315,000 General Obligation Refund Bonds. Motion carried on a Voice Vote.

CDA Report: Alderperson Mohr- No meeting this month.

Library report: Shannon Stoner reported on up-coming events at the Library. Working on the Summer reading program. Applying for grants. Updating website.

Tourism & Marketing Commission: Katie Daul reported that GBA has dissolve. Will have a Chambers of Commerce. City could pay fee. Alderperson Spaulding said each should pay their own fee because then they would have a stake in it.

Financial Report: Clerk Treasurer

Updated Monthly Check Register Provided. No budget report provided.

MOTION: Stroik/Rudie to approve December 2021 Check Register. **Motion Carried** on a roll call Vote. All Voting Aye.

Police Department Report: Police Chief Shane Breitenbach

Discussion on Training, Public Relations, and Incident Summary Report -Chief Breitenbach provided the incident report. Chief stated there were 154 calls responded to last month. The new squad is on active duty. Officer Buettner has completed training and Officer Schutz started his training Dec. 11th. The Gillett Police Department will link their citation program (TRACS) with the County System (Spillman). Chief Breitenbach and Officer Schultz were presented with their new AED from the Gillett Area Ambulance. Alderperson Storik asked why no one was on duty for 2 days. Chief explained he could not find anyone to fill in while training new officer.

Fire Department Report: Chief Hicks

Discussion on Training, Public Relations, and Incident Summary Report- Training: Calls for December: 2 lift assist, gas leak, power lines on trees, chimney fire. 1 new firefighter started classes. AED is in house.

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Health, Protection and License Committee Report: Alderperson Blaser

Discussion and Possible Action On an original Alcohol License application

Class B Fermented Malt Beverage & Class B Liquor -Spirits of Gillett LLC; Agent-Kris

Piaskowski, 145 N McKenzie Ave, Gillett, WI 54124

MOTION: Rudie/Mohr

Motion to approve the Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class B Liquor for Spirits with Agent Kris Piaskowski contingent on all paperwork being filled out and health inspection being OK.

Voice Vote: All Voting Aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Board of Public Works Committee Report: Stroik reported

Discussion and Possible Action On Washington Street Project and Bridge

It will be a concrete bridge. The funding for this project will be done with a Bridge Grant, TID Money and ARPA funds.

MOTION: Rudie/Mohr

Motion to approve the Washington Street Project.

Roll Call Vote: All Voting Aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Discussion and Possible Action On asphaltting the Cul-de-sac in Ridgewood

MOTION: Mohr/Blaser

Motion to approve asphaltting the cul-de-sac in Ridgewood.

Roll Call Vote: All Voting Aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Alderperson Spaulding stated that East Main Street needs to be plowed earlier.

Utility Committee Report: Alderperson Mohr

Discussion and Possible Action On Washington Street Project

Money for the water and sewer part of the Washington Street Project will be from USDA loan.

Cost will be \$903,081.60

MOTION: Stroik/Blaser

Motion to approve the Washington Street Project.

Roll Call Vote: All Voting Aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Park and Cemetery Committee Report: Alderperson Rudie

Nothing to report.

Planning Committee Report: Alderperson Spaulding

Nothing to report

Clerk Treasurer's Report: Assistant Clerk- No Report

Attorneys Report: Hanaway Ross Law Firm

Mayor's Report: Mayor McCarthy- No Report

MOTION: Stroik/Rudie to 7:10 p.m.

Motion to adjourn.

Voice Vote: All Voting Aye - **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted,
Assistant Clerk Treasurer Leone Christensen