

**CITY OF GILLETT**  
**FINANCE & PERSONNEL**  
Council Chambers – Municipal Building  
150 N McKenzie Ave – Gillett, WI 54124  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023 AT 4:30 PM**  
**MINUTES**

**Chairperson Mohr** called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

**Roll Call:**

**Present Committee:** Alderperson Nanette Mohr- No Quorum

**Present:** Alderpersons Jerry Luther and Irene Drake. Clerk Treasurer Chelsea Anderson, Mayor Josh McCarthy, Utility Operator Ron Anderson, Public Works Foreman Nathan Anderson, Librarian Shannon Stoner, Police Chief Shane Breitenbach. Dennis and Christine Heise. Jacob Ketchem is excused. Jon Gildemeister is absent.

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

**Public Input:** Dennis Heise was interested in the Reimer Purchase agenda item. It will not be discussed due to no quorum. Worried that it will all go into Managed Forest Land and the City will lose out on taxes. Concerned that the city dump was near the property and contamination may have leaked on the property. Concerned about the landscape of the parcel as well for building. Would also like to see residential and not multifamily. His dream was to develop 2-acre lots for residential housing on property he has. Will notify when the next meeting is set.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Discussion and possible action on minutes from June 1, 2023- Leave Lay No Quorum
2. Discussion and possible action on 2024 Budget
  - a. Library- Librarian discussed her line items and reasons for adjustments.
  - b. Fire Department- Looked over budget Chief Hicks submitted.
  - c. Public Works-Discussed Public Works budget with Foreman and Utility Operator. Adjusted higher in appropriate budget lines such as health insurance, streetlights, and wages. Hired new Foreman last year, another employee took our health insurance, and our streetlights on Main Street need replacement. Garbage Contracted also needs to be raised. We provide curbside recycling, talked about closing the center, but will keep the services such as disposal of large items, waste oil, etc.
  - d. Police Department- Looking to add a 4<sup>th</sup> full time officer and raise the part time wage. Looking for a savings account for Police Department for squad replacement.
  - e. Kerber Rose- Our accounting/payroll firm is adjusting their rate from \$2,200 to \$3,250 a month and going remote. Clerk asked Wipfli, CLA, and other firms for a request. All came back with no capacity at this time except CLA. CLA would be \$2,500-5,000 a month depending on hours, which is \$160.00/hour. Hawkins ASH CPA's cannot do our audit and accounting needs because they cannot audit their own work.
3. Discussion and possible action on 10 Hour Work Day Holiday Pay for Public Works and Utility- Leave Lay No Quorum
4. Discussion and possible action on Reimer Land Purchase- Leave Lay No Quorum
5. Discussion and possible action on MSA- Leave Lay No Quorum
6. Committee may go into closed session to discuss matters of employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of public employees pursuant to 19.85 (1c) Wis. Stats. - Leave Lay No Quorum
7. Committee will return to open session and may take action on matters discussed in closed session. - Leave Lay No Quorum
8. Set Next Meeting Date- To Be Determined
9. Adjournment at 6:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Clerk Treasurer Chelsea Anderson