

CITY OF GALESVILLE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 10, 2022

**Roll Call and Call to Order**

Mayor Vince Howe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Vince Howe, Kelly Kreger, Thomas Thatcher, Tyler Truax, Linda Skwierawski, Jean Wallner, Randy Larson  
Others present: Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Hess, Public Works Director Todd Peterson & Police Chief Paul Evenson, Sarah Livermore, Christine Christine Otzelberger, Benjamin Pierce, Clarissa Andersen, John Andersen, Dawn Bender, Bruce Bender, Kelly Gardner, Megan Delaney, Cameron Delaney, and Aric Sampson

**Mayor Report**

Vince and Todd met with an engineer and handed out a preliminary sketch. Once we get more into it the council, public works, police department and clerk will meet to discuss ideas and concerns.

**Minutes**

Randy Larson made a motion to approve the regular Council minutes from February 10, 2022; seconded by Linda Skwierawski. Motion carried 6:0

**Treasurer's Report**

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve the February 2022 Treasurer's Report; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Motion carried 6:0

**Police Reports**

Tyler Truax made a motion to approve the February 2022 Police Reports; seconded by Randy Larson. Motion carried 6:0

**Library Report**

Tom Thatcher reported that Meredith will be retiring May 1<sup>st</sup> and the board is in the process of interviewing candidates for the position. WRLS is taking care of all the advertising for the position. Kristi Hanke is the new President of the Library Board. Tom Thatcher made a motion to approve the March 2022 Library Report; seconded by Linda Skwierawski. Motion carried 6:0

**Public Utilities Committee**

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve the contract with HydroCorp for cross connection services for 2022-2024 by Tom Thatcher. Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

**Police, Fire & Personnel Committee**

Tom Thatcher reported that they met with PeopleFirst on the revisions to the policy handbook that the committee will be reviewing. It was condensed and clarified to make it easier to read.

Discussed and postponed the hiring of a Deputy Clerk. Looking into having an independent person or business review the accounting in order to have two people checking things.

**Recreation Committee** No meeting was held

**Parks & Sanitation Committee** no meeting was held

## **Streets & Sidewalks**

Tyler reported that they met and have proposed an ATV/UTV route into the city via CTH T, across W Ridge Avenue to S 8<sup>th</sup> Street to West Mill Road to Horseshoe Park. Trempealeau County approved opening all county roads to ATV/UTV traffic on April 1, 2022. The speed limit in the city will be 25 mph. The attorney will take the regulations from the county and propose an ordinance for the committee to review. The ordinance will then have to be approved and published before taking effect.

## **Finance Committee** March 10, 2022

Kelly Kreger reported that they reviewed and approved the bills, Treasurer's Report and bank statements

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve a \$400 donation to the Trempealeau County Ag Society. Seconded by Randy Larson. Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve the Public Works request for an account at Menards. Seconded by Tom Thatcher. Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve the TCC quote to update our phone system. Seconded by Linda Skwierawski. Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

The committee is in the preliminary stages of researching what we can use the ARPA funds for that have been allotted. So far \$83,525.51, in the end we will receive \$167,051.01. Kelly asked the Parks & Sanitation and Public Utilities Committees to meet and present quotes to the committee so they can begin to narrow down projects that can be done. The deadline to incur costs for projects is December 31, 2024 and funds have to be spent by December 31, 2026.

**IT Committee** no meeting was held

## **Sidewalk Use Application**

Randy Larson made a motion to approve the revised as suggested Sidewalk Use Application for Jungle Juice LLC; seconded by Kelly Kreger. Motion carried 6:0

## **Capital Expenditure Request from Marinuka Manor**

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve the purchase of a scale Dell computers; seconded by Tyler Truax. Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

## **Chicken Permit**

Tyler Truax made a motion to approve the renewal to own, keep and/or harbor chickens for Melissa & Jeremy Nelson; seconded by Randy Larson. Motion carried 6:0

## **Approve Bills**

Kelly Kreger made a motion to approve paying the bills: General: \$132,718.35; Sewer: \$8,900.15; Water: \$83,277.27; Library: \$10,524.32; Total: \$235,420.59; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Motion carried unanimous roll call vote.

Kelly Kreger made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Tyler Truax. Motion carried 6:0

Mayor Vince Howe adjourned the meeting.

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Jennifer Hess, Clerk/Treasurer