

CITY OF GALESVILLE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 12, 2024

Mayor Tom Thatcher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council attending: Bruce Bender, Dave Carlson, Randy Larson, Diane Redsten, Jesse Swing, Ryker Todd.

Council Absent: None

Others in attendance: Public Works Director-Todd Peterson, Police Chief-Paul Evenson, Tory-Kale Schulz, Chad Jones and Stacey Austin

Mayor Thatcher led the Pledge of Allegiance

Open meeting laws have been met by posting the agenda on the community board at City Hall, Galesville Public Library, website and distributed to all news media requesting notification in accordance with the open meeting laws on or before 4:00 p.m. on the day before the meeting.

Motion by Dave Carlson to approve the regular council meeting minutes from August 8, 2024; seconded by Randy Larson. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Dave Carlson to approve the special council meeting minutes from August 21, 2024; seconded by Ryker Todd. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Diane Redsten to approve the August 2024 Treasurer's Report and Cash Accounts Balance Reports; seconded by Jesse Swing. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Public comment from Tory-Kale Schulz about pedestrian safety in downtown Galesville, specifically in the implementation of Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons (RRFB).

Paul Evenson, Police Chief was given the opportunity to discuss the monthly report submitted.

Jesse Swing, Chairperson of Parks & Sanitation Committee, reported. The report will be attached to the original of these minutes. No actions to be taken

Mayor Thatcher reported on discussion at Plan Commission meeting where a certified survey map was presented by Jesse Swing for property he is developing on 12<sup>th</sup> Street. There is an offer to purchase pending the approval of combining lot 4 into lot 6 giving him enough space to construct 6 twin homes. He would then split lot 6 into 12 lots.

Motion by Dave Carlson to approve Certified Survey map of transfer of lot 4 into lot 6 and also to approve the resurvey of lot 6 into 12 lots, pending sale of lot 4; seconded by Ryker Todd. Ayes -5, Nays -0, Motion carried. Swing abstained

Diane Redsten, Chairperson of the finance committee, reported. The report will be attached to the original of these minutes.

Motion by Diane Redsten to approve the purchase of Level 2 SX armor with accessories as quoted for \$1,728.90; seconded by Randy Larson. Vote: Bender-yes, Carlson-yes, Larson-yes, Redsten-yes, Swing-yes, Todd-yes. Motion carried.

Dave Carlson, Chairperson of the Streets & Sidewalks Committee, reported. Jim from POB confirmed that tasks A, B and C have been completed for \$6,000.00 on the retaining wall. The next phase to the project would be tasks D and E if required.

This will finalize the plans so that the project can then be put out for bids after approval from the committee and presented to the council.

Motion by Dave Carlson to proceed with completing Task D construction documents for \$9,750.00 and Task E permit preparation for \$500.00, if necessary, with the funds coming from the ARPA funds; seconded by Randy Larson. Vote: Bender-yes, Carlson-yes, Larson-yes, Redsten-yes, Swing-yes, Todd-yes. Motion carried.

There were permits issued for a pool, 3 season porch addition and sidewalk use permit by the building inspector.

Motion by Diane Redsten to approve applications for License to Serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Bailey Kropelin; seconded by Dave Carlson. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Jesse Swing to approve lease and agreement for mowing services with James Emerson for 6 acres of cropland and the "Old Dump Site"; seconded by Bruce Bender. Vote: Bender-yes, Carlson-yes, Larson-yes, Redsten-yes, Swing-yes, Todd-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dave Carlson to prepare a draft ordinance for future council consideration that would permit council members to attend meetings virtually; seconded by Bruce Bender. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Diane Redsten to approve paying the bills: General: \$106,775.74; Sewer: \$10,758.80; Water: \$11,254.47; ARPA: \$6,000.00; Library: \$5,984.17 Total: \$140,773.18; seconded by Ryker Todd. Vote: Bender-yes, Carlson-yes, Larson-yes, Redsten-yes, Swing-yes, Todd-yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence and other reports

Motion by Dave Carlson to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ryker Todd. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

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Jennifer Hess  
City Clerk/Treasurer