

CITY OF GILMAN  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 6,11

7:00PM

The regular meeting of the City of Gilman was called to order by Mayor Theesfeld, council responding to roll call were: Hari aye, Strohschein aye, Hilgert aye, Tammen aye, Hartke aye, McGehee absent.

7:03 McGehee present

Moved by Hartke      Seconded by Hilgert

To approve the minutes of the regular meeting August 1, 2011. All aye.

Treasurer's Report on funds were as follows:

General	232,811.26	IMRF	48,988.30
R&B	-8,998.95	MFT	-100,120.93
W&S	-13,832.05	TIF #1	285,916.22
Sanitary Sewer	1,545.24	TIF #2	891.59
Tourism	16,285.89	"2002" Bond Fund	57,653.13

Attorney Simutis explained the resolution for the Capitalization policy. Short discussion was held, Alderwoman Strohschein tabled resolution #11-12-R1 until the meeting in October to give the council more time to consider.

Moved by Hari      Seconded by McGehee

To approve Resolution #11-12-R2 for emergency repairs beneath US 24 for an IDOT Highway permit. All aye.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Hilgert

To approve Resolution #11-12-R3 authorizing payment from TIF fund to Dennis/Rhonda Wittenborn /Monicals Pizza in the amount of \$7,853.48 for reimbursement for 2010 real estate taxes. All aye.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Tammen

To transfer \$589.40 from General Checking to MFT Checking. All aye.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Tammen

To transfer \$12,337.77 from IMRF checking to General Checking. All aye.

To transfer \$1,234.12 from Sanitary Sewer checking to General checking.

To transfer \$590.00 from Water&Storm checking to "2002" Bond Fund. All aye.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Hari

To transfer \$150,000.00 from MFT money market to MFT Checking.

To transfer \$9,000.00 from General checking to R&B checking.

To transfer \$15,000.00 from General Checking to Water&Storm checking.

All aye.

Alderman Hartke asked if the city employees could fill several pot holes around town.

Alderwoman Strohschein asked if the street signs could be put back up on West Third street, Mayor Theesfeld will have city employees install street signs.

Asked if a letter could be sent to the railroad in regards to the condition of the crossing on third St.

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Alderwoman Strohschein presented questions to Alderman Hari in regards to his variance request to build a new home on N Thomas street. Several questions asked in regards to why it was taking so long for the variance to be approved along with the amount that it has cost the Hari's . It was explained by the Mayor Theesfeld and City attorney Simutis that the Haris have had to go through the process just as anyone else would have to do, Simutis reported that they City is very close to an agreement with the Hari's in regards to the variance request.

Moved by Strohschein                      Lack of a second on the motion

To approve the building permit for Vic Hari.

Alderman Tammen reported on the building and grounds committee meeting, it was discussed to possibly hire a code enforcer for the City of Gilman, council agreed and gave Tammen the authorization to proceed with looking for someone to fill the position.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Tammen

To approve Resolution #11-12-R1 establishing a capitalization policy.  
Hari aye, Strohschein nae, Hilgert aye, Tammen aye, Hartke aye, McGehee aye.

Alderman Hari asked when Price's Tree service would be starting to remove the trees that had been previously approved. Theesfeld reported that the work would be started this week. Hari also mentioned the condition of the west wall of the Right Stop building, Theesfeld reported that discussions have been held on this subject, Theesfeld reported that several solutions have been discussed on how to make the wall wind and water tight. Theesfeld will follow through with owner.

Moved by Tammen      Seconded by Hartke

To allow the Iroquois West HS girls to white wash the designated streets for homecoming on Thursday September 8,11. All aye.

Mayor Theesfeld presented the council with new zoning maps and had asked the council members and residents to review the maps at city hall and make any necessary changes so the council could have a final approval for the October 3,2011 meeting.

Theesfeld reported several drainage projects, one being between W 2nd/W Third behind the Catholic church, estimates were turned in by Haley Bros and Iroquois Paving.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Hari

To approve the bid from Iroquois paving for the 24" storm sewer between W 2nd/W 3rd behind the Catholic church without competitive bidding in the amount of \$53,500.00. All aye.

Theesfeld noted that this would be a general fund project.

Moved by McGehee      Seconded by Hartke

To approve Haley Bros Excavating bid for a 12" tile from Winona St , Main to Central street in the amount of \$18,560.02. All aye.

Theesfeld noted that this would be a TIF fund project.

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Theesfeld mentioned that owner of Gilman Auto Parts is interested in the property that the City owns to the North of his business on S Crescent street. Bill Kraft asked if the City could advertise the 3 property for development. Attorney Simutis will prepare the documents for the next meeting.

Theesfeld noted that Larry Eyre is still in the process of cleaning up the old city dump on E 2nd street. Asked if the city would donate money under \$500.00 for mulch and landscaping materials. No motion.

Theesfeld reported that the refinancing of the current bonds is going well and will save the city of Gilman approximately 70,000.00 after the period of ten years. A full report will be available in Oct.

Attorney Simutis reported on a new state law effective 1/1/2013 in regards to all city officials being trained electronically on the Open acts. Simutis will get officials more information when available.

Moved by Hari                      Seconded by Hilgert

To transfer the current liquois license #D11-01 Metro Gas LLC to Pay Gas LLC Haim Victor Cohen  
All aye.

Moved by McGehee                  Seconded by Hilgert

To pay the bills as they were presented. All aye.

Alderwoman Strohschein questioned ERH work report in regards to mowing. Suggested the City hire local residents to mow so the ERH employees could do other work which needed to be done.

Resident Paul Johnson complained to the council about the condition of the flags at the Memorial on the curve. Questioned the missing sign which had douglas twsp servicemen listed.

Moved by Hari                      Seconded by Hilgert

To adjourn the regular meeting at 8:17PM. All aye.