

CITY OF GALESVILLE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

July 13, 2023

Mayor Vince Howe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council attending: Vince Howe, Thomas Thatcher, Jean Wallner, Kelly Kreger, Diane Redsten, Dave Carlson, Tory-Kale Schulz. Council Absent: None Others in attendance: Attorney-Dan Arndt, Public Works Director-Todd Peterson, Police Chief-Paul Evenson, Trempealeau County Times-Ben Pierce, Officer Christian Medema, Officer Andy Bilski, Brad Simonson, Amanda Lydon, Diane Thatcher, Richard L Sacia, Scott Seely, Jean Seely, Sharon Spahr, Randy Larson, Sarah Livermore, Carley Green-Easterday, Chad Jones, John Sacia and Dave Truax.

Mayor Howe led the Pledge of Allegiance

Open meeting laws have been met

Motion by Dave Carlson to approve the special council meeting minutes from June 5, 2023; seconded by Kelly Kreger. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Kelly Kreger to approve the regular council meeting minutes from June 8, 2023; seconded by Diane Redsten. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Kelly Kreger to approve the June 2023 Treasurer's Report and Cash Account Balance Report; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Jean Wallner to approve the June 2023 Police Report; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Tom Thatcher to approve the July 2023 Library Report; seconded by Tory-Kale Schulz. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Kelly Kreger reported that the Finance Committee reviewed and approved the bills, verified the Treasurer's report to the bank statements, reviewed quarterly overtime report, received an update on lease payments to the city.

Motion by Kelly Kreger to approve the quote from Quality Flow Systems for main LS pump repair \$10,528.00 with the money to come from the Sewer fund; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Vote: Thatcher-yes, Kale-yes, Redsten-yes, Kreger-yes, Carlson-yes, Wallner-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kelly Kreger to approve the payment of the invoice from Arndt Buswell & Thorn SC; seconded by Diane Redsten. Vote: Thatcher-yes, Kale-yes, Redsten-yes, Kreger-yes, Carlson-yes, Wallner-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dave Carlson to approve Sidewalk Use Application for Quiet Meadow Travel LLC; seconded by Tory-Kale Schulz. Ayes-6, Nays-0, Motion carried.

Motion by Tory-Kale Schulz to approve Sidewalk Use Application and Street Use Permit for Carley Green-Easterday; seconded by Dave Carlson. Ayes-6, Nays-0, Motion carried.

Brad Simonson reported on the status of the repairs at Old Main. He is going to work with Diane Thatcher to find a contractor to open the ceiling of second floor for further review.

Motion by Dave Carlson to authorize Mayor Howe to sign the Certification of the 2022 Wisconsin Medicaid Cost Report as presented in the packet; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Vote: Thatcher-yes, Kale-yes, Redsten-yes, Kreger-yes, Carlson-yes, Wallner-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jean Wallner to approve Application for License to Serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Jolene Buelow; seconded by Diane Redsten. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Dave Carlson to accept the Plan Commissions recommendation to allow the applicant to keep up to 5 bee hives on their property; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Tory-Kale Schulz to approve the recommendation from the Board of Appeals to grant a variance in height to a storage shed for Duane Evanson; seconded by Jean Wallner. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Dave Carlson for new ordinance 2-2-23 that amends the Order of Business for the Agenda; seconded by Tory-Kale Schulz. Vote: Thatcher-yes, Kale-yes, Redsten-yes, Kreger-yes, Carlson-yes, Wallner-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dave Carlson to amend the proposed ordinance to change the word in paragraph © from proceeding to following; seconded by Diane Redsten. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried

Motion by Tom Thatcher to recommend Streets and Sidewalk Committee review Sidewalk Application and Sec. 6-2-5; seconded by Tory-Kale Schulz. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Jean Wallner asked for an additional person from Council to join her in a task force to work with the Chamber or possibly the School District to utilize the vacant space previously occupied by the daycare that is owned by the city. Vince asked Kelly Kreger to help and she agreed.

Motion by Dave Carlson to recommend Streets and Sidewalks bring back to the Council a proposed policy on notification to affected residents for city street projects; seconded by Kelly Kreger. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Dave Carlson to refer the Street Privilege Permit to Streets & Sidewalks; seconded by Kelly Kreger. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Motion by Dave Carlson to call for the question; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Ayes -6, Nays -0, Motion carried.

Trail enhancement in the TID can't be acted on because the expenditure period has expired. The amendment provided funds for several options; however, the road work was the only contract signed. The end date of the TID is 2028 to be paid in 2029.

Tory referred to Chapter 15 of Roberts Rules of Order "Removing an Offender from the Assembly Hall." No action to be taken.

Motion by Kelly Kreger to approve paying the bills: General: \$149,532.72; Sewer: \$67,213.94; Water: \$9,310.49; Library: \$2,462.17; Total: \$228,519.32; seconded by Tom Thatcher. Vote: Thatcher-yes, Kale-yes, Redsten-yes, Kreger-yes, Carlson-yes, Wallner-yes. Motion carried.

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

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