

Galesburg City Council Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers
55 West Tompkins Street, Galesburg, Illinois
June 19, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Call to order by Mayor John Pritchard.

Roll Call #1: Present: Mayor John Pritchard, Council Members Angela Bastian, W. Wayne Dennis, Russell Fleming, Corine Andersen, Wayne Allen, and Jeremy Karlin, 7. Absent: Council Member Peter Schwartzman, 1. Also present were City Clerk Kelli Bennewitz, City Manager Todd Thompson, and City Attorney Bradley Nolden. The Chairman declared quorum present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A moment of silence was given in lieu of an invocation.

Mayor Pritchard and Paul Stewart, Landmark Commission chairman, presented PAVER Awards to Knox College and Mark and Jeanette Kleine.

Council Member Dennis moved, seconded by Council Member Karlin, to approve minutes of the City Council meeting from June 5, 2017.

Roll Call #2:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA #2017-12

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the City Council and is enacted by one motion.

17-2016

Approve Resolution 17-17 approving the current employee City of Galesburg Flexible Spending Arrangement Plan as of July 1, 2017.

17-3025

Approve bid submitted by Sherwin Williams in the amount of \$19,998 for the purchase of a new paint striper.

17-3026

Approve bid submitted by Galesburg Cottage Hospital for providing annual medical surveillance evaluations for the Fire Department staff for up to five years. Pricing will be subject to the individual medical test.

17-4060

Approve the renewal of property, boiler and machinery insurance policies for fiscal year 2017 with the Horton Group.

17-5006

Receive a schedule of rates from Norman Oeth of Norm's Towing, to increase storage rates effective June 1, 2017.

17-6003

Approve the following appointments and reappointments:

John Peterson, Board of Local Improvements, term expires April 2022

Carrie McKillip, Community Relations Commission, term expires February 2020

Chris King, Community Relations Commission, term expires February 2020

Molly Smith, Library Board, term expires June 2020

Naomi Law, Fire and Police Commission, term expires April 2020

17-8011

Approve bills in the amount of \$937,526.37 and advance checks in the amount of \$671,040.87.

Council Member Allen moved, seconded by Council Member Bastian, to approve Consent Agenda 2017-12.

Roll Call #3:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried by omnibus vote.

PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

17-1016

Council Member Bastian moved, seconded by Council Member Andersen, to approve Ordinance 17-3549 on final reading amending Traffic Appendix R of Chapter 77 of the City of Galesburg Code of Ordinances to remove the parking restriction on both sides of Midwest Drive.

Roll Call #4:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

17-1017

Council Member Allen moved, seconded by Council Member Karlin, to approve Ordinance 17-3550 on final reading amending Traffic Appendix F of Chapter 77 of the City of Galesburg Code of Ordinances to add yield signs at the intersections of Water Street at Pleasant Avenue and Ferris Street at Pleasant Avenue.

Roll Call #5:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

17-1018

Council Member Andersen moved, seconded by Council Member Bastian, to approve Ordinance 17-3551 on final reading amending Traffic Appendices X and Z of Chapter 77 of the City of Galesburg Code of Ordinances removing parking restrictions on Willard Street related to school hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call #6:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

17-1019

Council Member Allen moved, seconded by Council Member Karlin, to approve Ordinance 17-3552 on final reading amending Chapter 113 of the City of Galesburg Code of Ordinances to add Section 113.037 stating that a licensee must be actively engaged in the retail sale of alcohol within ninety (90) days from the issuance of the liquor license from the City, and must remain actively engaged within the licensed term, or the license shall automatically expire.

Roll Call #7:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

17-1020

Council Member Bastian moved, seconded by Council Member Andersen, to approve Ordinance 17-3523 on final reading amending Chapter 152, Section 152.131, of the City of Galesburg Code of Ordinances to allow for three additional site plan review exemptions. These would include uses in the Agriculture District, construction or alteration of a one-story accessory building of 1,000 feet or less, and building additions of less than 2,000 square feet.

Roll Call #8:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 5.

Nays: Council Member Fleming, 1.

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

17-1021

Ordinance on first reading directing the sale of 37 City-owned properties with bid openings scheduled for the August 21, 2017, City Council meeting. Discussion was held on requiring a minimum bid in order for the City to recoup funds invested into the properties.

BIDS, PETITIONS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Residents living on Garfield Avenue addressed the Council regarding a flooding issue with runoff from the Tabernacle Church. They noted that there are six houses that are being affected when there is a rain to the point of having a “lake” in their backyards. Since the road was recently blacktopped and raised, the issue has gotten worse. They are seeking help from the City as they are getting no response from the Church.

City Manager Thompson stated that the City will be looking into the issue, although the problem is on private property. There may be a way to acquire an easement and staff will look into the cost of assisting with the matter.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

- A. Paint recycling will be available June through September at Walmart on the third Saturday of each month, 8 a.m. to noon.
- B. Special Event Applications:
 - a. Use of Voyles Field by Galesburg Youth Baseball on July 6-9, 2017, and July 19-23, 2017, for baseball tournaments.
 - b. Use of Optimist Park and City streets for the Galesburg Roadrunners Club 5K on Jun 24, 2017.
 - c. Use of Lake Storey and Allison Campground by the United Way for the Big Bang Boom celebration on July 4, 2017.
 - d. Use of Lake Storey for the Prairieland Conference Cross Country meet on September 26, 2017.
 - e. Use of East Main Street for the Railroad Days Street Dance to be held on June 24, 2017.

City Manager Thompson also reported that the City will be hosting two workshops to get input for the Comprehensive Plan and Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The Community Workshop will be held Tuesday, June 20th, 7:30-9:30 p.m. The Business Workshop, geared towards individuals that own or manage businesses in the City, will be held Wednesday, June 21st, 7:30-9:30 a.m. Both workshops will be held at City Hall.

He also noted that a groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, June 24, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. at 761 S. Chambers Street, for the start of the Lead Water Line Replacement project.

The City Manager also reported that IDOT sent out letters stating that if a budget is not approved by July 1st, all IDOT funded construction projects will be halted until such time as legislative action is approved authorizing payment after July 1.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (Agreements, Approvals, Etc.)

17-4061

Council Member Andersen moved, seconded by Council Member Bastian, to approve an intergovernmental agreement between Knox County and the City of Galesburg regarding maintenance of traffic control devices.

Roll Call #9:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

TOWN BUSINESS

Council Member Allen moved, seconded by Council Member Fleming that the City Council sit as the Town Board. The motion carried by voice vote.

17-9019

Trustee Fleming moved, seconded by Trustee Andersen, to approve Town bills and warrants be drawn in payment of same.

Fund Title	Amount
Town Fund	\$5,009.50
General Assistance Fund	\$3,437.04
IMRF Fund	
Social Security/Medicare Fund	
Liability Fund	
Audit Fund	
Total	\$8,446.54

Roll Call #10:

Ayes: Trustees Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

Trustee Allen moved, seconded by Trustee Fleming, that the Town Board resume sitting as the City Council. The motion carried by voice vote.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Council Member Allen invited the public to the ground breaking ceremony for the Lead Water Line Replacement program on Saturday. He also stated that he is thrilled with the new Rotary Park and enjoyed the grand opening this past weekend. He has heard many great comments about it from parents and children.

Council Member Andersen also gave her congratulations on the opening of Rotary Park.

Mayor Pritchard stated that today he was presented with the Burlington Norther Santa Fe Railway Heritage Community Award, which recognizes special communities on the railway network that embrace the past, present and future ties to freight railroads. He also commended everyone involved with the opening of Rotary Park and the many volunteers that sought funding and made the project a true private/public partnership.

There being no further business, Council Member Dennis moved, seconded by Council Member Bastian, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call #11:

Ayes: Council Members Bastian, Dennis, Fleming, Andersen, Allen, and Karlin, 6.

Nays: None

Absent: Council Member Schwartzman, 1.

Chairman declared motion carried.

John Pritchard, Mayor

Kelli R. Bennewitz, City Clerk