

CITY OF GILLETT COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2010 6:00 PM

Mayor Lietz called the meeting to order at 6 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Mayor Lietz, Alderpersons Dennis Hornik, Barb Smith, Nanette Mohr, Jeff Warrichaiet, Jordan Rank and Irene Drake, Police Chief Gary Pemrich, Fire Chief Tom Wolfgram, Clerk/Treasurer Marcie Schuettpelz, Deputy Clerk Leone Christensen, Attorney Tim Schmid, and Department Head Ron Anderson. Tim Christensen was excused. Also present were Vance Waggoner, Chelsea Henkel, Chris Heise, Patricia Neerdaels, Tammy Felter, Rick Raatz, Terry Nelson, Robert Schroeder, Brandon Miller, Kurt Darrow, Kevin Smith, Dave Soeldner from Rice Engineering and the Press. Roll was taken and the open meeting law had been complied with.

Motion by Smith, second by Mohr to approve minutes of the January 7, 2010 meeting. Motion Carried.

Mayor Lietz reminded everyone that Public Input has a 10 minute time limit and 3 minutes per topic. Vance Waggoner, candidate for Oconto County Circuit Court Branch 2 judge addressed the Council. He urged everyone to vote on February 16 in the Primary Election and again April 6 for the Spring Election. The Circuit Court Branch 2 Judge is a 6 year term. The new judge will earn approximately \$1 million dollars over the course of the term in salary and benefits. Mr. Waggoner has 42 years experience in law practice. More information can be gotten from his website at www.waggonerforjudge.com. Mr. Waggoner was excused at 6:05 pm.

CDA Report: Alderperson Mohr – New Beginnings lease has been approved by Oconto County Board of Supervisors for 2010. *Motion by Drake, second by Smith to approve the City signing the lease for 2010. Motion Carried.*

Library Report: Alderperson Smith – written report in the Council packet. Being open Monday is going better than expected. Use of computers has increased.

Tourism & Marketing Commission Report: Brandon Miller – Discussed Farmer/Flea market and trail signage for local businesses.

Financial Report for month ending January 31, 2010 was reviewed. *Motion by Rank, second by Drake to approve financial report as presented. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.*

Police Department Report - Chief Pemrich: Trax computer system is operational again. Chief attended New Chief training in Madison. The department has received a donation of a computer wand for electronic scanning of missing animals. Chief Pemrich made a presentation to Officer Dennis Heise. Due to his diligence and dedication, he has been promoted to Sergeant.

Fire Department Report – Chief Wolfgram: 2 mutual aid calls with Oconto Falls. Toured Wausaukee Composites and planning to tour all area businesses to establish “fire plans”. Purchasing an industrial washing machine for turn out gear. Money is from fund raisers and donations. Breathable air equipment has been inspected. This item has been referred back to committee for authorization of payment.

Health, Protection and License Committee Report-Alderperson Warrichaiet: There was no update from the building inspector. *Motion by Rank, second by Mohr to approve operator's license for William Cole. Motion Carried. Motion by Drake, second by Mohr to approve temporary Class B license for Finnegan Lake Walleye Club. Motion Carried.*

Board of Public Works Committee Report - Alderperson Hornik: written report was proved by Tim Christensen

Utility Committee Report - Alderperson Mohr: Bid award for reservoir replacement will be discussed in closed session. 5 bids were received for the Utility pickup truck. High bidder was James Henkel at \$11,600. *Motion by Drake, second by Smith to approve bid and sell truck to James Henkel for \$11,600. Motion Carried.* Low bid for well #2 rehab was Water Well Solutions ranging from \$18,500 to \$23,000. *Motion by Warrichaiet, second by Rank to approve bid NTE \$23,000. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.* Shut off valve needs to be placed on the artesian well. Total cost will be \$7,391 plus freight (shut-off valve \$2,700; check valve \$1,911 + freight; Kamps reprogramming \$2,780). *Motion by Drake, second by Warrichaiet to approve total cost of \$7,391 plus freight for valve shut off. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.* The VFD for booster pumps is being postponed to a future meeting. The Wastewater Treatment Plant is in need of upgrading. Ayres Associates has done preliminary work and we are looking at possible funding thru the WDNR Clean Water Program. *Motion by Smith, second by Warrichaiet to proceed with the application to the DNR for the Clean Water Fund. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.*

The Utility will be putting together a monthly or quarterly report to post on the website to keep the community updated on projects they are working on.

Finance and Personnel Committee Report - Alderperson Smith: Yearly contract for our accounting software is due. We checked into a 6 month contract and it would have cost more than a one year contract. Current amount is \$1,870 for 2010. *Motion by Drake, second by Mohr to approve contract for 2010 for \$1,870. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.* The Police Dept is purchasing a new squad and borrowing \$19,200. Harris Bank is requiring a resolution for the borrowing. Draft resolution was read aloud by the Clerk. Some information is needed to complete the resolution. *Motion by Smith, second by Warrichaiet to approve the resolution pending the additional information and approval of the attorney. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.*

Park and Cemetery Committee Report – Alderperson Rank: New park rules and reservation forms have been developed. There are a number of headstones that need repair yet. *Motion by Mohr, second by Warrichaiet to approve NTE \$3,000 for headstone repairs by AH Schneider. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried.*

Planning Committee Report - Alderperson Drake: Most items will be discussed in closed session. Reminder that the Census is coming so be sure to be counted.

Attorneys Report - Attorney Timothy Schmid: items will be discussed in closed session.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Tom Lietz: Youth Authority met last Tuesday with 150% participation. All 3 representatives from each class were in attendance. They will help put out the posters they made for the Census. A compliment was received by Alderperson Warrichaiet from a past resident. Jeff was unable to get the person's name but they lived in Gillett 30 years ago and passing through they were impressed at how nice and clean the city looks.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report – Marcie Schuettpelz: Clerk introduced Chelsea Henkel the intern for this semester. When the list of election inspectors was put together, Marilyn Freitag was inadvertently left off. *Motion by Mohr, second by Drake to include Marilyn Freitag as an election inspector for the 2010/11 elections. Motion Carried.* Ordinance 3-7 (c) was read aloud. *Motion by Drake, second by Mohr to approve ordinance 307(c) as read. Motion Carried. Motion by Mohr, second by Smith to appoint Marcie Schuettpelz as Special Registration Deputy for the 2010/11 elections. Motion Carried.* The Clerk read a thank you from the Victory Olympics. There was no other business.

Motion by Hornik, second by Drake to adjourn into closed session under WI §19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session to discuss possible land purchase and pay request, and WI §19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved regarding a Notice of Claim from DNR to include Ron Anderson and Dave Soeldner from Rice Engineering. Motion Carried.

Council will not reconvene.

Respectfully submitted: Marcie Schuettpelz, Clerk/Treasurer