

CITY OF GALVA )  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS )

The City Council of the City of Galva met in regular session Monday, March 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Debbie VanWassenhove serving as City Clerk. Mayor Rich Nordstrom presided with the following Aldermen in attendance: Gary Armel, Beverly Everett, Chuck Deahl, Dwren Boston, and Derrick Glisan. Alderman Hopping was noted as being absent.

Mayor Nordstrom asked the Council's permission to add two more topics to the agenda tonight: the Arbor Day Proclamation and a presentation by Gary Kenney. There were no arguments to these items being discussed.

#### MINUTES

Alderman Glisan made a motion and was seconded to approve the February 22, 2016 council meeting minutes. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

#### BILLS AND CLAIMS

Alderman Everett moved and was seconded that the bills and claims be approved as presented and the City Clerk is instructed to issue orders on the Treasurer's account for the several amounts. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Nordstrom reported that the City had received the State of IL November Local Share State Use Tax check for \$4,968.56, February MFT for \$5,687.85, January Personal Property Replacement Tax for \$2,475.12, December Income Tax for \$25,558.53, January Sales Tax for \$15,151.01, February Video Gaming Tax for \$802.48, and December Local Share State Use Tax for \$7,105.04

First on the agenda was the Arbor Day Proclamation. Mayor Nordstrom read the proclamation and announced April 29, 2016 as Arbor Day this year.

Next on the Agenda was awarding the demolition bid for the Best Building. Mayor Nordstrom announced that the lowest bid came in at \$187,456 and the highest bid at \$374,876. He also stated that the lowest bidder failed to come to the mandatory pre-bid meeting and that his recommendation to the council was to go with the next lowest bidder, Valley Construction, at \$288,940. Alderman Armel asked if they were required to have an engineer on site during demolition and how we will be paying them, all at once or in increments. Greg Peterson stated that they were not required to have an engineer on site and that there are different payment options, we will have to work that out with the contractor. Alderman Deahl made a motion and was seconded to approve the bid from Valley Construction. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was a presentation by Gary Kenney to put a light on the memorial stone in Veteran's Park. He stated that the stone had been in the park since 1956 and it has never had a light shining on the names of the fallen. He stated that they deserved to have a light, and one that will not get covered up by the snow. He spoke with

Anne Hathaway who is the head of the Legion Auxiliary Nationwide, and she told him that if we could get a price they may be able to help with the cost. David Dyer stated that he met with John Torbert about this and he came up with a couple of options, the first would be to put up two lighted poles shining on the names, and the second would be to put a light up on the lips of the wall of the stone itself. He just needs a couple weeks to find the lights and get quotes on prices. He will get back in touch with Mr. Kenney on the matter when they find out more.

Alderman Everett made a motion and was seconded to go into Executive Session.  
SEE ATTACHED

Alderman Armel made a motion and was seconded to come out of Executive Session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Greg Thompson had some updates for the council concerning some of the water projects that have been going on. He stated that well 6 is now online. Well 5 was being acidized and so the EPA is now requiring them to have 8 consecutive weeks of sampling from the well, they are now on week 5 of good samples. He is hoping to start moving well 4 by the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April and in the meantime he will be doing some valve turning. They are going to wait to paint tower 5 until the end of summer, and they are about two weeks out for the northwest generator to go to the northwest lift station. He also stated that we have had issues with four of our sewers, and that we need to clean them before we can T.V. them.

Richard Plummer brought in some of the new street signs that he had ordered for the council to see. They all thought that they looked great and Mayor Nordstrom asked when he was going to be putting them up. Richard replied that he was hoping to start next week.

City Administrator's Report

David stated that there will be a meeting on Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Kewanee High School to discuss the closure of the Kewanee Youth Correctional Center and he would love to see as many citizens there as possible for support.

Mayor Nordstrom asked if the aldermen had anything else. Alderman Armel stated it is good to see that Stark County Ambulance is adding an addition, and he also stated that the street signs look great. Alderman Deahl wanted to thank Gary Kenney for his presentation, and thinks it is a great way to honor them.

After no further discussion Alderman Everett made a motion and was seconded to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk.

