

CITY OF GALVA)
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STATE OF ILLINOIS)

The City Council of the City of Galva met in regular session Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. with Debbie VanWassenhove serving as City Clerk. Mayor Rich Volkert presided with the following Aldermen in attendance: Jim Hartman, Jayme Hopping, Jackie Clucas, Rick Otterstrom, & Mitch Boston. Alderman Anderson was noted as being absent.

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Alderman Clucas asked for the total maintainer cost and trade in value to be included in last month's minutes and for the spot that had ARP changed to be ARPA. Alderman Boston then made a motion and was seconded to approve the March 28, 2022 council meeting minutes with the above mentioned changes. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Alderman Otterstrom 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 Volkert reported that the City had received: State of IL: Local Share of Income Tax March \$38,857.95, Local Share of State Use Tax February \$7,450.65, Cannabis Tax March \$380.37, Telecommunications Tax February \$2,776.47, Local Share of Video Gaming Tax March \$2,543.04, Personal Property Replacement Tax March \$24,086.84, Sales Tax February \$20,479.75, MFT \$8,618.62

First on the agenda was a public hearing to close the E 2150th crossing. The public hearing was recorded. Mayor Volkert started the hearing and read a statement about the closure. There was no public comment and the aldermen had no comment on it at this time either.

Next on the agenda was **Resolution 336: A resolution Declaring Intent to Reimburse Certain Project Costs.** David introduced Mr. Moran from the consulting firm hired to help us create our new TIF. Mr. Moran stated that we are retiring TIF #1 and looking to re-TIF the area and in setting up a new TIF there are certain ordinances and resolutions that need to be passed. This resolution states that if we are using money for a TIF project this will allow us to be reimbursed for the cost and recoup the cost of establishing the TIF. Alderman Hopping made a motion and was seconded to pass the resolution. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was **Resolution 337: Adoption of TIF Feasibility Study**. Mr. Moran stated that this is required under the Illinois TIF law. This is just reviewing the area to potentially establish a TIF district. Alderman Boston made a motion and was seconded to pass the resolution. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was **Ordinance 1631: Establishing Interested Parties Registry & Rules**. Mr. Moran said that this just states the rules of registry & that if any organizations or individuals want information on the TIF district they can register with the City Clerk and then they will receive all notices and documents pertaining to this. Alderman Otterstrom made a motion and was seconded to pass the ordinance. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was the Presentation on the TIF Feasibility Study by MED. Mr. Moran stated that we have to review the area wanted for the TIF district and make sure that it qualifies and to state what we would like to do. Since we are retiring TIF 1 this new TIF creates a better boundary. This will also reflect an updated EAV for the city and will start a new 23-year clock. The goal is to generate investments and growth in the community. Our history will help with qualifying for the TIF district, one of the things they look at is how many buildings are over 35 years old. They also look at the number of dilapidated buildings, properties decreasing in value, and ones that need repurposed. Parking areas, sidewalks, and streets are included in this. They will also look at the shape of the water and sewer systems. Alderman Boston asked if he had exact figures of what will go back to the other taxing districts after retiring TIF 1, David replied that he had those figures and would get them over to him.

Next on the agenda was a motion to place the feasibility study on file for 10 days & to approve sending the study to all affected taxing districts. Alderman Otterstrom made the motion and was seconded. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was **Resolution 338: A Resolution in Support of TIF**. David stated that IML is requesting this, they use this for legislature. Mayor Volkert stated that David had found out there was a move starting that was anti-TIF so he called around to the state representatives and told them all that we were in support of TIF and against the anti-TIF movement. It was also decided that we will need to hold a special meeting on May 9th to establish TIF, has to be done 90 from the public hearing. Mr. Moran will also be sending a new TIF schedule. Alderman Boston made a motion to pass the resolution and was seconded. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was an Annexation Agreement with Hagberg Hamlin. David stated that this is the American Legion property. Carol Townsend asked if this is the property to the west of the road and David replied yes, where the old bar was. David stated that this was published in the paper and that the ordinance and plat will be recorded with the county if passed.

Next on the agenda was Ordinance 1632: Annexation of the Hagberg Hamlin property. Alderman Clucas asked about the section where they will have 20 years with no taxes

and David replied that we do that because they are veterans and in the event of a sale that would be voided. Alderman Otterstrom made a motion and was seconded to pass the ordinance. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

Next on the agenda was the Annexation Agreement for the Baze Property. David stated that Adam Baze was getting close to another 6 acres between Bocks and JMAC to build a lumber yard as well, he wants to be able to provide the lumber and metal for buildings. He was hesitant to annex in because his taxes would go up so David offered an incentive of 10 years with no city taxes but if the property is sold that deal will be voided.

Last on the agenda was **Ordinance 1633: Annexation of the Baze Property**. Alderman Hopping made a motion and was seconded to approve the ordinance. The vote was 5 yeas and no nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

Next on the agenda were the department head reports. Richard Plummer and Greg Thompson were not present at the meeting so Mayor Volkert gave their reports. For the water department he stated that Hydrant flushing will be May 9-20 and that the manhole cover for N Center Ave will be coming in next week. For the street department he stated that scheduled pick up for yard waste is in effect again and will be picked up on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. He also asked for residents to not blow their grass clippings in the street. Kraig Townsend stated that Wagner passed his part time certification class. He also stated that he had been getting questions on the slow moving vehicle ordinance, gas and electric carts plus UTV's are allowed, there is a 1-time inspection fee of \$25 and has to meet the DOT requirements. They also can't drive up and down state highways, they can only cross them. He also stated that they have started letters for the property cleanup they do in the spring.

Next on the agenda were the Aldermen's Reports. Alderman Otterstrom wanted to thank the group that was cleaning up around town on Saturday. Mayor Volkert stated that the Ready to Grow group sponsored that, they had about 35 participants & ROSC came and helped too, it was a great turn out! He also stated that the Jr. High kids will be going out again too. Alderman Hartman asked about a spot across from Stackhouse that has settled and has a dip. It will be looked into.

City Administrator's Report

David Dyer stated that it has been another record year so far! \$182,000 net more than last year which was a banner year. He also stated that we have lost 3 Galvan's recently, Pam

Foley, Pat Lee, and Ron Pankau. Mayor Volkert added that Deb DeCrane also just passed, it's a very bad time for losing Galvan's right now.

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

MAYOR _____

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk.