

MINUTES OF MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF OZAWKIE, KANSAS

January 11, 2021

A meeting of the City Council of Ozawkie, Kansas was held on January 11, 2021 at the City Hall of Ozawkie, Kansas. The following Council members were present:

Chris Feuerborn
Gary Branson
Margie Payne
Kevin Klenklen
Nancy Leek
Loren Lutes, Mayor

Also present were the following persons:

Mazi Barnes, City Clerk
Jamie Klenklen, Treasurer
Lee Hendricks, City Attorney
Sandi Goetz, Planning & Zoning
Residents: Sharon Branson, Merrill Jacobs

The Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Lutes led those present in the flag salute.

Mayor Lutes commented that the budget is in good shape but that cash may be low due to FEMA projects, a simple transfer can fix this.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Lutes put forth the Consent Agenda. Motion was made by Margie Payne to approve Consent Agenda. Seconded by Gary Branson. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Comment: Treasurer Jamie Klenklen made a comment thanking the City Clerk for finishing the balancing and reconciliation.

Regular Agenda:

Citizen Comments: Sharon Branson shared a nice article that was printed regarding the PRIDE Christmas parade.

Council Comments: Council Member Margie Payne notes that recycling bins have been removed from Meriden and Perry due to similar problems that Ozawkie was facing with out of town people using them.

OLD BUSINESS

a) Update on Waterline Project

Tomorrow January 12th is the final control hookup meeting to learn how the system works. Final retainage for the project will be held until grass is planted in March. The project will officially be done after the grass is planted.

b) Update on FEMA Projects

Water System- This project is nearly ready for completion.

Water Building- We will be delaying Bid opening a week before February's Meeting for this project.

There has still been no movement on getting back to us by the state.

c) Ozawkie South Project

The engineer estimates the cost to be between \$160-190,000 to bring the 3 lines under the highway. The water will come in from one side of main street and Sewer will come in on the other side. Sandi informed Merrill of current zoning as business but is best used as residential. The city may rezone if approved by the Planning & Zoning committee. The city is not obligated to cover the cost of this.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Lift Station Pump- Controller Purchase

The spare controller box went out. These cost around \$8,000 and can take 3-4 months to come in. A motion was made to approve the purchase of an extra controller in advance. Motion was made by Kevin Klenklen and was seconded by Nancy Leek. The motion passed unanimously.

b) Pet Resource Center

The Pet Resource Center of Kansas City is wanting to bring a mobile clinic to City Hall to help Pet Owners update their basic vaccines at a discounted price to the owners. A motion to approve the clinic to use the city hall parking lot for the mobile clinic was made by Margie Payne and was seconded by Kevin Klenklen. The motion passed unanimously.

c) PRIDE Resolution

A Resolution is required every year for PRIDE to notify local Government that they are active. Resolution 21-1 notifies of PRIDES active status. A motion to approve Resolution 21-1 was made by Kevin Klenklen and was seconded by Chris Feuerborn. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

a) Mayors Report

Mayor Lutes notified the council that Police Chief Tim Bacon was unavailable.

b) Planning & Zoning

405 Kansa is doing some cement work on an existing back deck. This was approved by Planning & Zoning. Motion to approve was made by Chris Feuerborn and was seconded by Margie Payne. The motion passed unanimously. Planning and Zoning reviewed the new building application provided by Oskaloosa and they liked it. The mayor asked that Sandy bring any changes desired to the Ozawkie Building Permit Application to city council. Sandi also notes that one member is unavailable for meetings. The city offered their services and equipment to help them meet electronically via ZOOM.

c) Governmental Affairs

Nothing to report.

d) Law Enforcement

Nancy Leek presented the Police Report that included 2 traffic stops, 2 alarm calls and 10 building checks including the School, Casey's, the Gun store, the post office and Lago Vista.

e) Parks

The replacement slide has been received and will be installed soon with the help of the maintenance department. The park committee has not yet met successfully but are working to reschedule.

f) Streets

Earhart's will be replacing the section of street that was dug up for the new water line. Kevin Klenklen complimented the excellent Snow Removal done by Sammy Mowder. Margie Payne ask that No Parking signs be ordered for Sioux and Kiowa to enforce the No Parking ordinances.

g) Utilities

Nothing to report.

A Motion for a 15-minute Executive session including Attorney Lee Hendricks with attorney/client privilege to discuss non-elected personnel was made by Chris Feuerborn and was seconded by Kevin Klenklen. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session went into order at 7:33pm

The meeting was called back to order at 7:48pm

A motion to raise the rate of pay for Police Chief Tim Bacon to \$22 an hour effective immediately was made by Gary Branson and was seconded by Nancy Leek. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made by Margie Payne and was seconded by Gary Branson. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.