

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

### CITY OF OZAWKIE, KANSAS

**October 9, 2023**

A meeting of the City Council of Ozawkie, Kansas was held on October 9th, 2023 at the City Hall of Ozawkie, Kansas. The following Council members were present:

**Loren Lutes, Mayor**

**Gary Branson**

**Rob Fisher**

**Kevin Klenklen**

**Laci Heller**

**Chris Feuerborn-Absent**

Also present were the following persons:

Mazi Barnes, City Clerk

Public Works-Mark Tenpenny

Lee Hendricks, Attorney

Jamie Klenklen, Treasurer

Residents: Sharon Branson, Ellis Moses, Christopher Windler

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

Mayor Lutes led those present in the flag salute.

**Consent Agenda:** Mayor Lutes put forth the Consent Agenda with no changes. A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Gary Branson and was seconded by Rob Fisher. The motion passed unanimously.

**Regular Agenda:**

*Citizen Comments:* Christopher Windler is a contractor for Windler Enterprises and is currently working on the purchase of the lot south of the highway in which he is hoping to build a storage unit business comprised of 3 buildings and a total of 60 units. Before he continues working with utility companies and continuing with plans he is asking the council for a preliminary answer on whether or not they are opposed to him moving forward. The council had no negative comment at this time and would like to see the application go through planning and zoning for further discussion.

*Council Comments:* N/A

## **Old Business**

### **a) Personnel Policies**

There is still more discussion to be done before a motion to approve the changes will be made.

## **New Business**

### **a) Concrete Bids**

620 Delaware had a water leak that resulted in part of the driveway being removed. The residents would like to replace the whole driveway at their expense and the city would pay them for the portion removed by the city. A current bid of \$2200 with an additional cost of \$1500 for curb and gutter replacement has been made. A motion to approve the \$2200 bid with the city paying their portion was made by Kevin Klenklen and was seconded by Rob Fisher. The motion passed unanimously. A motion to approve the bid of \$1500 for curb and gutter replacement was made by Kevin Klenklen and was seconded by Rob Fisher. The motion passed unanimously.

### **b) Parking Policy**

Chief Tim Bacon contacted Attorney Lee Hendricks after receiving complaints of a pontoon boat and trailer obstructing street views. Tim asked for the councils input on whether they wanted him to police the issue throughout the city or handle it individually based on view obstruction. The council recommended enforcing it as the ordinance states.

## **REPORTS**

### **a) Mayors Report**

The Mayor just arrived back from the KLM conference. The Mayor received 2 new contacts for the BRIC contracts the city still has open. The state passed a new program that puts forth 200 million dollars in matching funds for federal projects, the city's grant writer will be starting on the application for this program this week. A bid is expected for the drainage project.

### **b) Planning & Zoning**

Nothing to report.

### **c) Governmental Affairs**

Nothing to report.

### **d) Law Enforcement**

Nothing to report.

### **e) Parks**

Gary Branson thanked Elis Moses for his volunteer hours the past week. The restrooms will be closed by the 30<sup>th</sup> of this month for winterization

**f) Streets**

Nothing to report.

**g) Utilities**

The Insurance Service Offices has asked for letter from the city and fire department regarding water and hydrant data. The Fire department could lower their current insurance score from a 6 to a 4 for an average saving of 25%. Kevin also stated that the dirt needed to be cut down on the new concrete patch at the corner of central and Sioux.

A motion for a 15-minute executive session to include council, mayor and attorney to discuss non-elected personnel was made by Kevin Klenklen and was seconded by Gary Branson. The motion passed unanimously.

Session starts at 7:27pm

Session ended at 7:42pm

No business took place.

Gary Branson asked if the oil has been changed on the tractor yet. The mayor will follow up with maintenance.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rob Fisher and was seconded by Laci Heller. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm