CITY OF OSKALOOSA, KS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

212 W WASHINGTON STREET

OCTOBER 16, 2024 \* 7:00PM

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GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT

John Norman, Mayor

Ken Newell, Council President

Mike Smith, Council

John Metzger, Council

Aron Boyce, Council (7:30pm)

Chauncey Young, Council

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Patty Hamm, City Clerk

Nathaniel Copp, City Superintendent

Paul Bolinger, Chief of Police

Todd Luckman, City Attorney

PUBLIC PRESENT

David Snow, 512 Atchison St.

Angela Courtney, 503 Warren Street

CALL TO ORDER

John Norman, Mayor, called the regular meeting of the Oskaloosa City Council to order at 7:00pm.

PUBLIC

Code Enforcement

Mr. David Snow was present to discuss the pending action to be taken by the City regarding the code violations at 512 Atchison Street, the home of his brother, Nathan Snow. John Norman informed Mr. Snow of the seriousness of the violations. Mr. Snow stated he understood and requested another thirty days to bring the property into compliance. John agreed to meet Mr. Snow at the property on Friday, October 18th to review the remaining violations. Council agreed to delay any further action by the City until November 20th.

Animal Control

Angela Courtney was present to voice her concern about a pack of dogs that is running loose in her neighborhood. She noted the dogs are aggressive in nature. John Norman recommended Ms. Courtney call either City Hall or the Animal Control Officer at the time she sees the dogs so that the City can possibly gain custody of them or at least find where they belong so citations can be issued to the owner. Ms. Courtney agreed to make contact when possible.

POLICE / CODE ENFORCEMENT / ANIMAL CONTROL

Paul Bolinger reported on a homeless person roaming the City streets who he gave a ride to the City limits of Lawrence, KS where he will receive better services. Paul reported on the purchase of a new battery for the animal control vehicle.

Paul Bolinger advised that the Jefferson County Clerk’s office has requested extra police patrol around City Hall the day before, the day of and the day after elections on Tuesday, November 5th. Paul stated he has not been advised of any specific threat and the request is mainly for precautionary purposes.

Ken Newell made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-11-101 UPOC as written. Chauncey Young seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0; Motion Carried.

John Metzger made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-14-101 STO as written. Mike Smith seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0; Motion Carried.

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MAINTENANCE

Nathaniel Copp reported on a water leak in the 400 block of Warren Street. Nathaniel advised that the entire area of line needs to be replaced.

Nathaniel Copp noted that brush pickup ends this month.

PARK & POOL

Nathaniel Copp reported on vandalism to the park shelter house after replacing new boards. Nathaniel stated they installed a new driveway tube at the ball field.

LEGAL COUNSEL

Aron Boyce made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-12 Mobile Home Park. Ken Newell seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0; Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

John Norman noted Ozark Pest Control has submitted a letter advising they are merging with Green Pest Solutions.

John Norman reported on thank you cards from the Presbyterian Church for the touch-a-truck event and from Patty Hamm and family for the flowers during the passing of her mother.

ZONING

Council reviewed a plat submitted by David Taylor, 8998 US 59 Hwy, where he has divided his lot into two different lots. The City provides water to Lot #1 and Mr. Taylor is requesting additional service to Lot #2. Council requested Mr.Taylor’s attendance at the next Council meeting to discuss options.

NEW BUSINESS

John Norman signed the Domestic Violence Proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Ken Newell made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-11 Halloween Event. John Metzger seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0; Motion Carried.

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John Metzger made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2024 meeting as written Mike Smith seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0; Motion Carried.

FINANCE

Ken Newell made a motion to approve the Financial Statement and vouchers as presented. Mike Smith seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0; Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

John Norman advised that Mr. Snow, 512 Atchison Street, received the bill from KNA Digging for the last clean up and questioned why he was billed for so much manpower. John noted it was Mr. Snow’s opinion that not all of those men actually did anything that he should be billed for. Paul Bolinger advised that not everyone there was with KNA; meaning members representing the City were present as well.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mike Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. Ken Newell seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=5, No=0 Motion Carried.

John Norman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty A. Hamm, City Clerk

Minutes Approved: FEBRUARY 2, 2023