CITY OF OSKALOOSA, KS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

212 W WASHINGTON STREET

August 4, 2022 \* 7:00PM

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GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT

Eric Hull, Mayor

John Norman, Council President

Ken Newell, Council

John Metzger, Council

Aron Boyce, Council

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Smith, Council

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

Patty Hamm, City Clerk

Paul Bolinger, Chief of Police

Nathaniel Copp, City Superintendent

PUBLIC PRESENT

Wesley Cudney, Oskaloosa Independent

Laura Claxton, 5k Memorial Run/Walk & Car Show

Alan Bender, 1015 Elm Street

CALL TO ORDER

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

PUBLIC

Camper

Alan Bender requested permission for him and his wife to temporarily reside in his camper during the construction of his home at 1015 Elm Street. John Norman made a motion to allow the use of the camper for up to three months. Ken Newell seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

5k Memorial Run/Walk & Car Show

Laura Claxton was present to request the approval from the City to hold the annual event on Saturday, September 24th. Ms. Claxton distributed a timeline of activities for the day and requested the street closings as follows: Washington Street from Cherokee Street to Liberty Street; Delaware Street from Jefferson Street to Hamilton Street; from 4am to 4pm. Council will approve the street closings in Resolution form at the next Council meeting.

POLICE

John Norman made a motion to approve the Training Assistance Agreement to reflect twenty-four (24) months at a rate of $15 per hour. John Metzger seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

Ken Newell made a motion to approve the annual agreement with Advantage Computer for court software in the amount of $750 as presented. John Norman seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT

Lee Hendricks recommended the Council hold off on any further action for 310 Liberty Street until Jefferson County takes it to a tax sale.

Lee Hendricks will have a title search done on the vacant lot at Elm Street/Washington Street.

Lee Hendricks and Paul Bolinger will conduct an inspection of code violations with special attention to the trailer park.

Paul Bolinger reported he has received a complaint regarding the amount of bicycles located at 415 Washington Street. Paul asked for Council direction. Council agreed to invite Mr. Robbins to the next City Council meeting to discuss the issue.

UTILITIES

Nathaniel Copp reported that Bettis Asphalt will be in town tomorrow to start the street improvement project. Nathaniel noted that the masons are in the way of work to be done between the pool and the basketball court so that area may need to be put off until next year.

Nathaniel Copp directed the Council’s attention to the KDHE Wastewater Treatment Facility Inspection. Nathaniel noted the operation and maintenance issues and recommendations 1) Depth Guage in the primary cell: KNA Diggin is making and installing a depth gauge; and 2) Grease Buildup in Lift Stations: Honey Bee is scheduled to come out next week and pump out the lift stations.

Ken Newell made a motion to purchase a 2022 Kubota tractor w/cab ($33,291), loader with bucket ($6302), rotary cutter ($3150) and quick hitch ($550) for a total of $43,293. John Metzger seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

Nathaniel Copp reported receiving ten of the remote read meters, however, they are the incorrect size. The company will correct the order.

Nathaniel Copp advised the two part-time maintenance workers will be done for the summer on August 16th. Council agreed they have been good help with mowing and painting.

PARK & POOL

Nathaniel Copp reported the bids are still pending for the sidewalk and parking at the swimming pool.

John Norman made a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 for the Pool Bathhouse Project as presented. John Metzger seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

LEGAL COUNSEL

John Norman made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 22-14-101 STO. Ken Newell seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

John Metzger made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 22-11-101 UPOC. Aron Boyce seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council reviewed the request from M&M Automotive for alley maintenance. Eric Hull noted the City needs to maintain the alleys along the north and south sides of the square and instructed Nathaniel Copp to put gravel where needed.

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MEETING MINUTES

Ken Newell made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2022 regular Council meeting as written. John Metzger seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

FINANCE

John Norman made a motion to approve the July financial statement and vouchers as presented. Aron Boyce seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

Patty Hamm advised she has not yet received the draft budget but will forward it as soon as it is received. Patty noted the 2023 Budget Hearing is set for September 1, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Newell made a motion to approve the proposal from Boyd Heating & A/C in the amount of $1250 as presented. John Metzger seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0; Motion Carried.

Council welcomed Wesley Cudney from the Oskaloosa Independent and his fiancé, Shay, to the City.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Ken Newell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. John Norman seconded the motion. Vote: Yes=4, No=0 Motion Carried.

Eric Hull, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty A. Hamm, City Clerk

Minutes Approved: SEPTEMBER 1, 2022