

Osawatomie, Kansas. **March 10, 2022.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall located at 411 11th Street. Mayor Nick Hampson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Macek, Bratton, LaDuex, Dickinson, Diehm, and Filipin. Council members Wright and Caldwell were absent. City Staff present at the meeting were City Manager Mike Scanlon, Deputy City Manager Bret Glendening, City Clerk Tammy Seamands, Assistant to the City Manager Samantha Moon, GIS Specialist Trevor Ballou, Police Chief David Stuteville, Nuisance Officer David Ellis and Business Liaison Kari Bradley. Members of the public were: Derek Henness, Christle Macek, Dale Samuels, and Shay Hanyzak.

INVOCATION. – Dale Samuels, Faith Community Church

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of March 10th Agenda, February 23rd KOMA Training Work Session, February 24th Council Minutes, Pay Application – BG Consultants - \$2,700 – WWTP Improvements, Pay Application – BG Consultants - \$558.00 Water Treatment Plant, Pay Application – BG Consultants - \$13,631.25 – Street Improvements, Pay Application – Western Consultants - \$8,950.00 – CDBG Commercial Rehab Application, Pay Application – Western Consultants - \$3,137.50 – WWTP Improvements, and Special Event Permit – Soap Box Derby. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Macek to approve the consent agenda with the removal of the Special Event Permit – Soap Box Derby (missing insurance certificate). Yeas: All.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. – Pastor Dale Samuels – Faith Community Church is officially in their building at 560 Main. This week they have already had three people ask about using the facility. They are glad to be in the building and using it.

PUBLIC HEARINGS. – None

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE OSAWATOMIE TRAIL COMMISSION – The Rails for Trails taskforce was started in September 2018. The name then changed to the Osawatomie Trails taskforce. Looking at what we need in terms for a trails commission, we realized that we weren't going to be able to just focus on the flint hills trail if we wanted to increase the trails in our community. There are other trails and trail projects that we could build and a trail commission would get us there. As we transition from the taskforce to the commission several members of the taskforce said that they would be willing to apply and to continue with the commission. We have also been looking for other people that might be interested and have a passion for this to be on the commission. The commission will be comprised of seven members. Karen LaDuex was asked to head up the commission. Scanlon and LaDuex selected six other members. Kari Bradley, Jeff Dorsett, Doug Walker, Kevin Stone, Mark Fuchs, and Michele Silsbee. The first meeting of the commission will be April 4th at 4:00 p.m. **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Diehm to appoint Karen LaDuex, Kari Bradley, Jeff Dorsett, Doug Walker, Kevin Stone, Mark Fuchs and Michele Silsbee to serve on the Osawatomie Trail Commission. Yeas: (5) Macek, LaDuex, Dickinson, Diehm and Filipin. Nays (1) Bratton

LIGHTS ON THE LAKE – Christle Macek is requesting an increase in the entertainment budget for Lights on the Lake to \$62,000. The bulk of that money would go to the concerts. The

committee has been in talks with Sara Evans to perform at the event. Sara Evans is asking for a fee of \$50,000 - \$52,000 depending on what is in her rider. Then there would be a couple additional acts that would perform before the headliner. Lights on the Lake is planning on charging an admittance fee this year. They are thinking about charging \$60 per car load (8 people max per carload). They anticipate 2000 ticket sales - 1500 tickets for online sales and 500 tickets to be sold the day of the event. This would encourage carpooling to save on space. The ticket price would also include all of the other activities such as the bounce house, face painting, balloon artist and fireworks. It would not include any food. They are looking at an overall budget of \$98,800. **Motion** made by Filipin, seconded by Dickinson to increase the entertainment budget for Lights on the Lake to \$62,000. Yeas: All.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. – None.

NEW BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION 977 – APPROVE GOVERNMENTAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (GAS) FOR APPLICATION ASSISTANCE FOR USDA GRANT/LOAN COMBINATION FOR WATER PLANT AND DISTRIBUTION DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION – We have used GAS to support us in several grant application and grant administration projects. We use them because of the complexity and grant administration requirements that constantly change. This resolution will be brought back on March 24, 2022.

RESOLUTION 978 – APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH BG CONSULTANTS FOR WATER PLANT – We have used BG Consultants as our city engineer for over 20 years. We use them because of their expertise in all types of public works, as well as their familiarity with state regulations, grant administration requirements, and they are recognized as one of the top municipal engineering firms in the state. This resolution will be brought back on March 24, 2022.

RESOLUTION 979 –APPROVE POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH EVERGY– City staff has been operating under the MOU approved by the City Council back in October 2021 and the Solar Development Agreement approved in January 2022. Staff with the assistance of KMEA has finished negotiations of the power purchase agreement with Evergy. Once this agreement is executed, Evergy will be released to begin engineering of the facility. This resolution will be brought back on March 24, 2022.

RESOLUTION 982 –APPROVE BID FOR FIFTY (50) YAMAHA GOLF CARTS – As part of our replacement and master plan, a request for bids for a new fleet of 50 golf carts were asked from the three major golf car distributors in our area. Included within the bids are the trade in value for 38 of our club car golf carts. Yamaha is willing to give us \$3,600 per cart for trade value. This price is more than what we paid for each cart in 2019. The other companies were not able to quote prices on trades. This purchase will be funded by using cash on hand, and financing through a local lender. **Motion** made by Macek, seconded by Bratton to approve Resolution 982 – Accepting the proposal of Yamaha and directing the city manager to execute the purchase of fifty (50) golf carts at the Osawatomie Golf Course as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 983 – APPLICATION OF \$125,000 OF THE 2022 ARPA GRANT TO DEVELOPMENT OF PHASE I OF CAMP MOPAC – We are applying for a tourism attraction sub-grant for Kansas (TASK). This is a 50/50 grant in which you can ask for up to \$250,000 in matching funds for a project. The project has to be a capital investment in nature and it needs to attract people to Kansas. We believe that the bike-hike hut ideas that were presented last spring to the city council and the expansion of our Mile Zero development fits the criteria and offers us yet another way to leverage the Flint Hill Trail to the benefit of our community. One of the things important in any funding/grant request is to show both the financial commitment of the City and support for the project community-wide. Resolution 983 is the financial commitment piece. We will receive approximately \$364,000 in ARPA dollars that we did not use in our 2022 budget. Subtracting this amount would leave another \$239,000 to be allocated. We are allowed to leverage ARPA dollars with this grant. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 983 – Designating the application of \$125,000 of the 2022 allocation of the American Rescue Plan Act grant to the first phase of Camp MOPAC as presented. Yeas: All.

COUNCIL REPORTS – None.

MAYOR’S REPORT – I want to thank Kari and Bret for taking on the role of Ex-Officio members of the Tourism Committee. I know it’s a lot of work but investing our time and effort into making these events the best they can be is important. I want to congratulate Morgan at the library for receiving a \$10,000 Humanities Grant from federal ARPA dollars. Mike wanted me to remind you that there are some possible boundary changes and annexations in our future. We’ll probably have a work session in April once we get an idea as to what parcels and pieces we will be working with. You should have received an email from Mike today. He will be setting up city council updates (trying to do this quarterly) where staff can give updates to a couple of council members at a time and tour projects and facilities. I went to Mr. Duncan’s kindergarten class this week. They presented a mock city that they called Sunflower City. It was really good.

CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS. – Thanks to Karen LaDuex and Bret Glendening. An RFP was sent out in December for a city attorney. We received three responses. We interviewed those three people and based on those interviews we scored each of them across twelve categories. Based on those scores we unanimously selected Jeff Deane with the Lauber Municipal Law Group. He will be at the next meeting. Please be here a little early to meet him. Miami County Medical Foundation has agreed to give the city a \$25,000 grant to invest in things on the Flint Hills Trail. We will receive \$5,000 each year for five years. Trevor Ballou has been working on a project at the trail. One of the things that we are investing in this year is placing mile markers every half mile on the trail. The markers will be placed for 22 miles. Some of the races that are scheduled can only be sanctioned if you have a survey distance. Trevor passed around a mile marker for council to look at. The first race starting at Mile Zero is April 16th will include a 50K (31 miles), 20 miles, 10 miles and there a fun run. The race currently has 121 participants with more expected to sign up. Out of those 121 participants, 54 are from out of state, some are as far away as New York.

EXECUTIVE SESSION. - None

OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.

