

Osawatomie, Kansas. **March 23, 2023.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall located at 411 11 Street. Mayor Nick Hampson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Schasteen, Macek, Diehm, Dickinson, LaDuex, Bratton, Filipin and Caldwell. City Staff present at the meeting were City Manager Mike Scanlon, Deputy City Manager Bret Glendening, City Clerk Tammy Seamands City Attorney Jeff Deane, Utilities Director Terry Upshaw, Public Works Director Michele Silsbee, Assistant City Manager Sam Moon, Librarian Morgan Menefee and Business Liaison Kari Bradley. Members of the public were: Kelly Callahan, Doris Ware, Kathy Brakeville, Jacki Glendening, Justin Elmers, Phillip Reavis, Jenn Williams, Brian McCauley, Brigitte Pinneo, Kim Kerr, Randy Kitchen, Misty Kitchen, Kelly Behnke, Andria Seymour, MJ Goodwin, Russell Reichley, Derek Henness, Nicole Henness, Erica Kriesel, Kathryn Struckhoff, LeighAnn McLean, Bill Coffelt, Woody McDougal, Wes Duncan, Jillie Powell, Donna Eichorn, Ron Smith, Anita Pace, Tyler Stifter, Cody Stamper, Nick Norman and Anna Norman.

INVOCATION. – Ron Smith, 1st Christian Church

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of March 23rd Agenda, March 9th Council Meeting Minutes, Pay Application – BG Consultants – Water Treatment Plant Design - \$20,306.00, Pay Application – Water Distribution Design - \$32,643.00, Pay Application – WWTP Improvements - \$11,456.00, Pay Application – BG Consultants – 2023 Street Project Design - \$49,7920.65, Pay Application – John Brown and South Levee Loop Design - \$1,927.80, Pay Application – Crossland Construction – WWTP Improvements - \$265,244.75, Special Event Permit – Freedom Festival, Special Event Permit – OHS Alumni Street Dance, Special Event Permit – OHS Alumni Parade, Special Event Permit – “Third Saturdays”. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Filipin to approve the consent agenda as presented with the removal of Resolution 1120 and Resolution 1128. Yeas: All

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. – Ron Smith – We are still working on things. God has given the ministry a vision and we are looking for things to happen. I will share more about that with you at a later time. We ask for your prayers.

PUBLIC HEARINGS. – None.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

COUNTY-WIDE APPRAISALS – Justin Elmers with the Miami County Appraiser office gave a presentation and answered questions regarding the process his staff uses to assess residential property appraisals.

CREATING A COMMUNITY ANCHOR – Scanlon described a vision for a revitalized downtown district. Included in this discussion was a proposed plan for a new library and visitor center inside the existing city-owned structures located at 500 and 510 Main Street. Scanlon said that he realizes that this project would take time and planning and would need to be discussed with the community, which is why the original agenda item of a public hearing to consider an application for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant was pulled from the agenda. Scanlon is hoping to obtain a congressional earmark for federal funding to go along with the

designation of John Brown National Historic Park. With the national designation the city could better promote tourism.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. -None.

NEW BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION 1115 – OPTING OUT OF MIDWEST PUBLIC RISK. – On March 23, 2017 the governing body opted into MPR. Since that time, MPR has decided to cease carrying cyber security insurance and most recently, power facility insurance (generators, etc.). And while premiums will almost always be going up, it is time to consider other options due to these ever-increasing premiums we see year over year.

Resolution 1115 meets a requirement of MPR’s bylaws that members who seek to leave the group funded insurance pool provide notice to the pool no sooner than 90 days prior to the renewal date, which is 7/1/2023. Ninety days from this date will be April 2, 2023. On March 3rd, Bret Glendening and Tammy Seamands met with Elliot Insurance Group who was the city’s broker for years prior to the city joining MPR. They will be able to provide us pricing for all of our required lines of property and casualty insurance such as cyber and power facility insurance. Additionally, we will still seek to obtain a quote from MPR to ensure we are getting the most competitive pricing available to us, based on our risk. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Bratton to approve Resolution 1115 – Providing notice of the intent to withdraw from Midwest Public Risk of Kansas as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1124 – GRANTING EXTENSION OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DOUG PETROSKEY – This resolution builds off Resolution 1117 which extended the predevelopment period given to Mr. Petroskey. The previous lease agreement with Mr. Petroskey was in effect from February 2020 to February 2023. This lease extension will be in effect until February 28, 2024, with the predevelopment agreement period ending on December 31, 2023. This lease is not on the same parcel that is covered under the pre development agreement. **Motion** made by Schasteen, seconded by Caldwell to approve Resolution 1124 – Authorizing the mayor to sign an extended lease agreement with Shoot House, LLC (Doug Petroskey) as presented. Yeas: All.

ORDINANCE 3824 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO FINANCE CERTAIN RECREATIONAL TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS– the governing body has identified the proposed John Brown/South Levee Loop Trail project as an improvement for the benefit of the general health and welfare of the City and its citizens. The estimated cost of this project is \$1,683,847 and we have a TA grant in the amount of \$1,500,000 that goes with this. In order to finance the construction, we will have to issue temporary debt because KDOT only reimburses. You have to pay for the improvements and then send them an invoice to be reimbursed. This ordinance gives us the ability to issue temporary debt. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Bratton to approve Ordinance 3824– Authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds of the city to provide funds to finance certain recreational trail improvements within the city as presented. Yeas: All.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Karen LaDuex ~Several people at city hall work really hard and I don't think that many of us are aware of the many things that they do. We see Mike and Bret and they report on what they are working on. There are also staff members that that work hard every single day and are not acknowledged. Kari and Sam both work very hard. Tonight, I would like to recognize Tammy because it is her birthday.

Lawrence Dickinson ~ Good Friday Service at the Old Stone Church is the 7th at 6:30 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT – I want to thank Sam, Morgan and Grady for all the work they've done collecting and researching information on libraries, museums and resource centers. If you missed it – we are at the very beginning and the community and City Council will be involved in this journey – your opinion matters.

I want to thank Karen for helping Mike in presenting two trail projects for the Recreation Trails Program (RTP) – They presented the Mountain Bike course at the State Hospital and the Pump Track on the river.

Thanks to Michele, Terry and Bret for riding herd on our engineers and contractors as we gear up for Main Street Terrace and finish up design of 6th Street and the various trail loops in town.

Mike has alerted me in the very near future we will be making announcements about CDBG building grants for the downtown.

CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS.

Kari Bradley – the Osawatomie Community Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 1st at the sports complex at noon.

The first third Saturday downtown will be on April 15th from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Sam Moon – The Arts Commission has decided their second project. This is part of the Hawkins Grant that was received last year. A call for artists just went out for this project. They are requesting for a panel style mural to go on museum's garage wall.

OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.

Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Schasteen to adjourn. Yeas: All. The mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 09:02 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Seamands
Tammy Seamands, City Clerk