

Osawatomie, Kansas. **May 26, 2022.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall located at 411 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Nick Hampson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Wright, Bratton, LaDuex, Dickinson, Diehm, Caldwell and Filipin. Council member Macek was 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, City Attorney Jeff Deane, Police Chief David Stuteville, Assistant Police Chief William Bradshaw, Public Safety Officer Nick Gazzano, Public Safety Officer John Johnson, Public Safety Officer Kyle Hurt, Public Safety Officer Nina Coleman, Public Safety Officer Christopher Perkins, Public Safety Officer Michael Huggins, Public Safety Officer Curtis Isele, Police Clerk Misty Ballard, Court Clerk Lisa Hastings, Water Crew Bryce Ackerson and Business Liaison Kari Bradley. Members of the public were: Kristi Huggins, Tim Hill, Mitch Talley, Robin Stuteville, Dale Samuels, Dylan Shelton, Preston Dees, Ruth Dees, Amanda Isele, and Richard Stookey.

**INVOCATION.** – Dale Samuels, Faith Community Church

**CONSENT AGENDA.** Approval of May 26<sup>th</sup> Agenda, May 12<sup>th</sup> Council Minutes, Special Use Permit – John Brown Jamboree 2.0 Special Event Permit **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Diehm to approve the consent agenda with the correction to the May 12<sup>th</sup> council minutes to reflect that Deputy City Manager Bret Glendening was present at the meeting. Yeas: All.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.** – Dale Samuels – Glad to be in Osawatomie and in our new building. Looking forward to this summer. Find us at Lights on the Lake and try out our smoothie bike. You peddle the bike and it blends the smoothie for you.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS.** – None

**PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS** – Public Safety Officer Nick Gazzano presented the following awards: Sergeant Nina Coleman - Officer of the Year; Detective Curtis Isle - Police Commendation; Officers Michael Huggins and Christopher Perkins - Life Saving Awards. Osawatomie citizens Bryce Ackerson and Richard Stookey - Citizens Meritorious Service Award. Officer Tim Hill of the Paola Police Department and Sergeant Mitch Talley of the Miami County Kansas Sheriff's Department - Certificates of Appreciation from the Osawatomie Police Department.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** -None.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

**ORDINANCE 3809 – EXTENDING CAMPING TIME LIMIT IN JOHN BROWN PARK TO FOURTEEN (14) CONSECUTIVE DAYS**– Over the years, the city has received requests to extend the permitted camping duration to 14 days in John Brown Park. The most recent request came from Dr. Jeff Dorsett on behalf of a couple from Lawrence who are working at the state

hospital (one is a traveling nurse) for the summer. They are alternating between camping in John Brown Park and in Paola. The couple has purchased a membership at the Ozone and frequent it daily and are utilizing the trail as well. With the emphasis on selling our community's history as well as Mile Zero on the Flint Hills Trail, we believe the time has come for the council to consider a minor modification to the municipal code and allow for 14-day camping permits in the park. All other areas where camping is permitted on city property will remain at 7 days. **Motion** made by Bratton, seconded by Filipin to approve Ordinance 3809 – Amending Chapter 12 Article 4 of the code for the City of Osawatomie, Kansas regarding camping in John Brown Park and durations thereof as presented. Yeas: All.

**RESOLUTION 1010 – AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CLEANUP OF NORTHLAND PROPERTY**– This issue arose during the May 12<sup>th</sup> council meeting regarding past city use of the northland property as a place to take demolition debris. If the debris had been properly disposed of at the time, this would not be an issue. City crews could clean this up, but with the amount of work that is on our plates with utility relocations and pothole patching, doing so only pushes these other activities further into the future and they need to be addressed as soon as possible or we risk putting other projects on hold. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 1010 – Authorizing staff to enter into an agreement to clean up northland property next to Shoot House Paintball, LLC with Gowing's Construction, LLC in the amount of \$21,500 as presented. Yeas: All.

**RESOLUTION 1011 – JUDGE SCHULTZ PAY RAISE** – Judge Schultz was hired in 2007 at a rate of \$2,000 a month. Compensation was increased by \$30 a month in 2013 and an additional \$30 per month in 2014. We request that council authorize an increase for 2022 of \$4,000 and an additional \$4,000 in the 2023 budget. This change will take Judge Schultz's compensation to \$32,720. **Motion** made by LaDuex seconded by Filipin to approve Resolution 1011 – Approving pay raise for Judge Schultz as presented. Yeas: All.

**RESOLUTION 1012 – ESTABLISHING CALENDAR FOR WORK SESSIONS**-This resolution establishing a series of work sessions to discuss the possible annexation and de-annexation of properties to be considered. **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Diehm to approve Resolution 1012 – Establishing a work session calendar to discuss with the public possible annexations and de-annexations to be considered by the City of Osawatomie as presented. Yeas: All.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Wright that the City Council recess into closed, executive meeting, for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to the exception in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The closed meeting will last 15 minutes and will resume here in Memorial Hall at 7:30 p.m. Also attending will be City Manager Mike Scanlon, Deputy City Manager Bret Glendening and City Attorney Jeff Deane. Yeas: All.

The council meeting resumed to open session at 7:30 p.m. with no action taken.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Cathy Caldwell ~ 10 Acres is bad and needs mowed soon.

Tammy Filipin ~ asked what are the plans for the land office building.

Dale Bratton ~ downtown looks really sharp.

Karen LaDuex ~ has 6 tickets left for the biscuits and gravy feed.

Kenny Diehm ~ this is alumni weekend. This is my 50<sup>th</sup>.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – I want to congratulate Bill Roseberry upon his retirement from the city effective next Tuesday. Bill has been a constant in our community and organization and we are so lucky to have had him. Tomorrow we will be having a small cookout and celebration for Bill at the public works barn and the city council is encouraged to attend if you can. We will start serving at 11:30 and have remarks at 12:00.

I look forward to the alumni being back – and want to thank public works, pride and our utility guys and our mowing contractor for getting the downtown ready and hope everybody has a wonderful Memorial Day weekend and stay safe.

**CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS.** – Scanlon said that we are working on a new nuisance section of code – Chapter 19 will contain two sections regarding buildings that are not maintained. Sunflower Foundation has agreed to donate \$50,000 to help organize the Kansas Rail Towns and would be willing to give grants to communities along the trail.

Glendening – we did not get the KDOT cost share grant but we will put in another application and we will keep looking for grants. We have been talking with Evergy about taking over the dedicated line at the state hospital and some of the houses in the northland. Power outages that were experienced on Tuesday were caused because our feed was coming from a different section than usual because Evergy had taken down a line. We usually have two sources from Evergy and when we lose the feed Terry calls them to find out what is going on. Evergy has committed to having better communication with us.

**OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.**

**Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Diehm to adjourn. Yeas: All. The mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Seamands  
Tammy Seamands, City Clerk