

Osawatomie, Kansas. **June 9, 2022.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall located at 411 11th Street. Mayor Nick Hampson called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m. Council members present were Wright, 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, IT Director Bill Justesen and Business Liaison Kari Bradley. Members of the public were: Jeff Yelton, Garrett Nordstrom, Michele Silsbee, Donna Koontz and Dale Koontz.

INVOCATION. – Jeff Yelton, Osawatomie State Hospital

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of June 9th Agenda, May 26th Council Minutes, Fireworks Stand Permit – Eddie’s Fireworks **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Filipin to approve the consent agenda with the addition of New Business – Item D. Health Insurance Renewal. Yeas: All.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. – Jeff Yelton – is the Chaplin at the Osawatomie State Hospital. There are approximately 150 patients there. We like to think of ourselves as a part of the community. Hope that you help us by visiting patients and by remembering us in your prayers.

PUBLIC HEARINGS.

APPLICATION TO USDA FOR NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT & DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – Garrett Nordstrom with Governmental Assistance Services was at the meeting to answer any questions regarding the application to USDA for the New Water Treatment Plant. Mayor Hampson opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m. and asked if there was any comments from the public. Hearing no comments Mayor Hampson asked a second time if there were any comments from the public. Mayor Hampson asked a third time if there were any comments from the public. Hearing no comments Mayor Hampson closed the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS. - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. -None.

NEW BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION 1013 – SETTING THE 2023 BUDGET CALENDAR– Glendening has shared the tentative budget calendar with the County Clerk, Janet White as well as Mike and Tammy. While it is an aggressive calendar, we can accomplish all that needs to be accomplished in order to adopt a budget in accordance with the recently revised state budget laws. **Motion** made by Macek seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 1013 –Establishing the 2023 budget calendar as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1014 – PSP IMPLEMENTATION GRANT APPLICATION –The city completed a Planning Sustainable Places (PSP) study that was funded in part by MARC. That

study was submitted to the city council in the form of a final report on October 14, 2021. City staff is asking the city council to support an application for another grant from MARC through their PSP program. The city is working to develop several of the elements shown in the PSP plan. This grant has a 20% match. We anticipate the maximum project cost to be \$75,000 with the city then required to match \$15,000 and MARC granting us \$60,000 for the project. **Motion** made by Macek seconded by Filipin to approve Resolution 1014– Directing the city manager to apply for a planning sustainable places (PSP) implementation grant for the continued planning and redevelopment of the downtown district as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1015 – ELECTION BOX MINI-DOME CAMERAS-The city relocated the drop box for utility payments from the post office to the alley behind City Hall. Janet White with Miami County contacted the city asking if they could put an election box in the same location. Per the requirements from the Kansas Secretary of State we would need to maintain at least two security cameras on it at all times. This vendor offers video retention, live streaming, motion –sensing, software updating and other features. We will be able to share this with the county. Both the drop box and the election box would be under the purview of the cameras. **Motion** made by LaDuex seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 1015 – Directing staff to enter into a contract with ISG Technology, LLC as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1016 – HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – In May we received notification that Humana’s renewal rate for our health insurance was 65% higher than our current premium and that the only other carrier willing to quote us rates was Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS) and their quote was 28.3% above our current rates. At about the same time we identified a third-party health insurance consultant (Vaughan Fire Solutions) that provided us an independent review of where we were and what other options might be available to us. The good news is we budgeted for an increase that can be absorbed in the Employee Benefit Fund in the short term. The problem is our experience is likely going to be bad for the next two or three years given the health conditions of a few our employees and their families. This resolution will give me the authority to start working on the problems found inside our health insurance risks and to start building toward a long-term solution. **Motion** made by Caldwell, seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 1016 – Directing the city manager to develop, transition and place health insurance on behalf of city employees consistent with a July 1, 2022 renewal date as presented. Yeas: All.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Cathy Caldwell ~ Tourism committee did not meet this month because of the two events that are happening during the month.

Tammy Filipin ~ asked about the property that has all of the cars and old trolley on Kelly.

Dale Bratton ~ received a complaint that on Parker by the monument there is some asphalt in the ditch on the city side.

Kenny Diehm ~ The Grand Lodge of the Elks will be holding their Flag Day Celebration on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. The public is invited.

Dan Macek – passed around a thank you card that the Lights on the Lake committee will be giving out to sponsors and volunteers.

MAYOR’S REPORT – There is a whole lot coming at us in the next several months – with the budget and various event, I encourage an of the city council that might have questions to not hesitate to stop by and talk with Mike or Bret about what we are working on. We all get busy and sometimes we forget to keep everyone in the loop - for Tammy and Dale I don’t want us to fly by something that you might need better answers on. The decisions ahead of us are important and I want to a make sure that everyone on the City council gets the opportunity to ask questions.

Next week John Brown Jamboree...following week Lights on the Lake...this weekend is the Community –Wide Garage Sale.

I want to thank Hitomi and all her helpers for putting on the Tornado Alley Rally – I want you to know I am the proud winner of the Mayor/Police Chief challenge. As one observer put it “I smoked the chief!!”

I believe we’ve selected a new public works director and I’ll leave it to Bret to update us when we get to staff portion of the report. I want to thank everyone who helped with Bill’s brat party...Bill Roseberry and his family really appreciated the cookout and it fit perfectly with what Bill wanted- low key and fun.

CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS. – Bret introduced Michele Silsbee as the new public works director. Michele spoke briefly about her past work history and schooling.

OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.

Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to adjourn. Yeas: All. The mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Seamands
Tammy Seamands, City Clerk