

Osawatomie, Kansas. **October 13, 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: 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, Building Official Ed Beaudry, Code Enforcement Officer Dave Ellis, Director of Utilities Terry Upshaw, Public Works Director Michele Silsbee, Assistant to the City Manager Sam Moon, Nuisance Officer David Ellis and Business Liaison Kari Bradley. Members of the public were: Virginia Adams, Jennifer McMahon, Elizabeth Holmes, Derek Henness, Emily Duncan, Vivian Minor, Theresa Cox, Michael Olsen.

INVOCATION. – Virginia Adams.

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of October 13, 2022 Agenda, September 22nd Council Meeting Minutes; Pay Applications: Western Consultants - \$2,635.50 – WWTP; BG Consultants - \$16,827.00 – WWTP; BG Consultants - \$75,132.20 – WTP; BG Consultants - \$73,042.00 - Water Distribution Design; BG Consultants - \$5,381.00 – Brown Street Improvements 16th – 18th; BG Consultants - \$42,588.00 – City Street Improvements; McAnany Construction - \$183,338.00 – Mill & Overlay; Special Event Permit – Osawatomie Chamber of Commerce Spook Parade. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Yeas: All.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. – Virginia Adams presented the donation needs of the food pantry and Harvesters to those in attendance. She also expressed her appreciation to the city for removing a large tree branch that fallen across High Drive and was restricting access.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS. –

NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH - Councilwoman LaDuex read the Proclamation for National Arts and Humanities Month for the Osawatomie Arts Commission. Arts Commission members present to accept the proclamation were Elizabeth Holmes and Emily Duncan. **Motion** made by Dickenson, seconded by Bratton to accept the National Arts And Humanities Month proclamation as presented. Yeas. All.

PUBLIC HEARINGS.

127 Rohrer Heights – Beaudry presented the city’s position regarding the condition of the structure to the council and public. Jennifer McMahon spoke on behalf of the subject property. After having requested an extension from the council to address the city’s concerns, City Manager Scanlon suggested to the council that the property owner provide the city with a letter of credit in the amount of \$15,000 to cover the cost of demolition in the event that the city granted an extension to fix the property and the property does not get fixed. Councilwoman LaDuex explained that providing the letter of credit was not a guarantee that the city would grant an extension.

727 Lincoln Avenue – Beaudry presented the city’s position regarding the condition of the structure to the council and public. No one spoke on behalf of the property.

100 E. Pacific Avenue – Beaudry presented the city’s position regarding the condition of the structure to the council and public. Vivian Minor and Teresa Cox spoke on behalf of the property. They requested additional time to finish moving personal items from the trailer.

1103 Chestnut Avenue – Beaudry presented the city’s position regarding the condition of the structure to the council and public. Michael Olsen presented on behalf of the property. Council recommended that the property owner also obtain in favor of the City of Osawatomi, a letter of credit in the amount of \$10,000.

1013 Chestnut Avenue – Beaudry presented the city’s position regarding the condition of the structure to the council and public. Jennifer McMahon spoke earlier in favor of demolishing the subject structure.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. – None.

NEW BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION 1053 – AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TRANSFORMERS FOR THE OSAWATOMIE ELECTRIC UTILITY – Director of Utilities, Terry Upshaw presented the Resolution to purchase transformers for the solar array. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Wright to approve Resolution 1053 – authorizing the purchase of transformers for Osawatomi electric utility as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1054 – FORMALIZING OSAWATOMIE’S PARTICIPATION IN KP&F – During budget deliberations for the 2023 fiscal year, staff presented a way by which the city could move current (and future) members of the Osawatomi Police Department out of KPERs and into the KP&F retirement system. The need to do this was documented in the resolutions leading up to the adoption of the 2023 budget on August 25, 2022. All that needs to occur at this point is for the council to formally adopt a resolution that authorizes the migration of these employees of the City of Osawatomi from their current KPERs plan(s) to KP&F. **Motion** made by Macek, seconded by Caldwell approve Resolution 1054 – formalizing the City’s desire to participate in KP&F for the City’s eligible law enforcement employees as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 1055 – ACCEPTING BIDS FOR REPAIRS TO CITY HALL ROOF. Beaudry presented initial bids the city received to make repairs to the roof of city hall. He explained that due to the cost, sealed bids still needed to be obtained by the city and that a formal RFP would be posted to the city’s website and sealed bids accepted. Once the RFP closed, bids would be opened and presented to the council. No action was taken by the City Council.

RESOLUTION 1056 – CHANGE ORDER TO MEMORIAL HALL CONTRACT - During the demolition of the soffit and proscenium at Memorial Hall it was decided that the proscenium was indeed part of the original construction. This was unknown by bidders and staff. The proscenium was in such bad shape that it fell apart during the demolition with little help from the contractors. The reconstruction of the proscenium will cost \$31,300.00. The contractor will reconstruct the proscenium to its original appearance. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by

Filipin to approve Resolution 1056 – authorizing a change order to the Memorial Hall construction contract as presented. Yeas: All

RESOLUTION 1058 – NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN UPDATE – Beaudry presented a resolution directing city staff to review and update the Neighborhood Revitalization Program. **Motion** made by Macek, seconded by LaDuex to approve Resolution 1058 – a resolution relating to updating the neighborhood revitalization plan as presented. Yeas: All. Wright abstained due to conflict of interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Motion made by Dickinson, seconded by Wright that the City Council recess into closed, executive session for the purpose of company recruitment pursuant to the financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships exception in K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(4). The closed meeting will last 20 minutes and will resume here in Memorial Hall at 8:35 p.m. Also attending will be City Manager Mike Scanlon, Deputy City Manager Bret Glendening, City Clerk Tammy Seamands, Business Liaison Kari Bradley and City Attorney Jeff Deane. Yeas: All.

The council meeting resumed to open session at 8:35 p.m. with no action taken.

Motion made by Dickinson, seconded by Wright that the City Council recess into closed, executive session 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 30 minutes and will resume here in Memorial Hall at 9:05 p.m. Also attending will be City Manager Mike Scanlon. Yeas: All.

The council meeting resumed to open session at 9:05 p.m. with no action taken.

RESOLUTION 1064 – AMENDMENT TO THE CITY MANAGER’S CONTRACT – Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Bratton to approve Resolution 1064 - amending the employment agreement of the City Manager as presented. Yeas: All.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Dan Macek ~ Lights on the Lake Update – Signature Event Committee attended a concert in Pittsburg, KS to scout future bands. They would like to have the band in question scheduled for the 2024 event. Also, one of the boat docks is finished and now needs a 4’ x 4’ pad of concrete poured for it.

Karen LaDuex ~ Has raffle tickets for sale. Drawing will be at the Border War BBQ on the second to last weekend in October.

Dale Bratton ~ “I have lived here all my life and I have never saw this much improvement. I am proud to say Osawatomie is my home.”

Cathy Caldwell ~ Tourism committee met last Thursday. The BBQ event was discussed and they are also looking at other opportunities to promote Osawatomie. Jeff Dorsett is working really hard to promote Osawatomie and is excited about what is going on.

MAYOR'S REPORT – October 6th we had a delegation go to Manhattan for the KDOT - TA Announcement with Governor Kelly.

MARC and the Planning Sustainable Places team will be in town next week (Monday) from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

October 29th is shaping up to be a big day in Osawatomie. We will be working on a DOE grant requirement that has grown to include a poster contest for 7th grade Social Studies (thank you Mr. Heaton). We will have Sharice David's and other federal officials as well as Brad Loveless Secretary of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks here. We will have a breakfast. Trail ride. BBQ in Ottawa at the end. Mr. Scanlon calls it a WIZ BANG event.

We will be submitting for another round of grant applications for trails and camping along the trail – building off the \$1.5 million-dollar KDOT grant we just received.

We are awaiting word on our KDOT Cost Sharing grant that Bret expects to be announced in the next couple of weeks.

I want to personally thank Janet McRae for all her help on Project Singularity which we heard about in Executive Session. Very few projects can be called “future altering” but I believe this is one that can. Without Janet's persistence we would not have gotten this far.

CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS.

The schedule of events for October 29th was discussed. 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. – breakfast and EV poster contest winners presented with awards. 10 a.m. RAISE Grant celebration at Mile Zero. 10:30 a.m. trail ride to Ottawa for Smoked Creations BBQ.

7th Grade Language Arts class students are writing “My City, My Home” essays for the League of Kansas Municipalities essay contest. Winners will be announced in January at City Hall Day at the Capitol.

Kansas Leadership Center has a magazine published every quarter. They are doing an article on trails and will be featuring Osawatomie, Mile Zero, and the grants that have been received.

Grants are available for a recreational mountain bike course planned by the State Hospital. Asylum Bridge could be salvaged for bike/ped bridge.

Thank you to Bret, Kari and Janet for all the work on Project Singularity.

Jeff Dorsett is making connections that are benefiting the city of Osawatomie and he should be thanked for all his hard work promoting the trail and the community as a whole.

