

Osawatomie, Kansas. **January 10, 2013.** The Council meeting was held in Memorial Hall. Council members present were Dickinson, Hampson, Govea, Hunter, LaDuex, Maichel, and Moon. Absent was Farley. Visitors were David Arteberry, Samuel Johnson, Brian Kingsley, Webster Hawkins, Will Cutburth, Matt Chilson, and Coleen Truelson.

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of the minutes of December 13 and December 20 Council Meetings, approval of January 10 Agenda, and approval of Appropriation Ordinances 12-23 & 12-24. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by LaDuex to approve the minutes of December 13 and December 20 Council Meetings, approval of January 10 Agenda, and approval of Appropriation Ordinances 12-23 & 12-24. Yeas: All.

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Public Participation; Presentations:

Will Cuthbertson, 321 Carr, was at the County Administrative Building when a resolution was approved for the County jail to be located in Paola. Osawatomie will not be getting the jail but asked that when Councilmembers are out speaking with the public, to support the jail. The County still needs a jail.

Public Hearings: none

Unfinished Business:

CONSIDERATION OF CONDEMNATION RESOLUTIONS. The Council made determinations on each property. The resolution for each property will state that the structure is unsafe or dangerous or that the property is abandoned.

149 E. Pacific. Dangerous and Unsafe. The owner is to commence the removal of the property within 14 days from the date of publication of the resolution and to have the removal completed within 30 days of the commencement. Motion made by Maichel, seconded by Hunter to approve the resolution. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 657.

301 Reed. Abandoned Property. The owner has 30 days to commence repair or transition to another owner, and 60 days from commencement to complete the rehabilitation. Both the owner and lien holder do not claim ownership. Working with the owner of record to clear up ownership of the property and would reasonably expect this to be sold to a new owner. At that time the Council would need to grant additional time. Motion made by Moon, seconded by Maichel to table until the City Attorney is comfortable with the ownership. Yeas: All.

709 Parker. Dangerous and Unsafe. The owner is to commence the removal of the property within 14 days from the date of publication of the resolution and to have the removal completed within 30 days of the commencement. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by Moon to approve the resolution. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 658.

1201 4th Street. Dangerous and Unsafe. The owner is to commence the removal of the property within 14 days from the date of publication of the resolution and to have the removal completed within 30 days of the commencement. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by Maichel to approve the resolution. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 659.

1205 4th Street. Dangerous and Unsafe. The owner indicated he wishes to move a home onto the property. City Manager recommended no action be taken. Staff will discuss the options with Mr. Kennedy and if no action is taken, issuing a citation for zoning violations is a better course of action.

1635 Main. Abandoned Property. Both heirs would like to relinquish any interest in the property. An interested party has been put in touch with them about transferring ownership. The owner

has 30 days to commence repair or transition to another owner, and 60 days from commencement to complete the rehabilitation. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by LaDuex to approve the resolution. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 660.

1701 Main. Dangerous and Unsafe. The owner has requested a building permit to repair the home. Staff recommends that Council approve the resolution with an extended time to ensure the repairs are made in a timely fashion. The owner has 30 days to commence, 90 days from commencement to complete. Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Moon to approve the resolution. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 661

POOL FINANCE PRESENTATION BY DAVE ARTEBERRY, GEORGE K. BAUM. Arteberry explained the financing options available to cities. The Council discussed the options and how much the debt would cost with the length of the payments.

Councilman Farley arrived at 7:40 p.m.

The Council agreed BG Consultants plan was a good one but building a new pool was not possible at this time. City Manager Cawby thought the plans were almost done and that it was the last item on a section of the agreement. The Council wanted completed plans and didn't want to spend any more money since the project couldn't be funded. City Manager Cawby was given leeway on getting the complete plans.

New Business:

APPOINTMENTS. none

APPROVE SEWER PLANT EQUIPMENT RFP SELECTION. RFPs was sent out for a bar screen and grit removal equipment. After BG Consultants checked the proposals, they gave their recommendations on equipment. The bids include 20 year total operation costs.

	Barscreen Equipment	Grit Removal Equipment	Represented by
Kusters Water, Inc. Spartanburg, SC	\$147,363	\$57,962	JCI Industries Regional Office - Lee's Summit, MO
Headworks, Inc. Houston, TX	\$171,875	—	Environment Process Equip. Wichita, KS
Smith and Loveless Lenexa, KS	—	\$51,119	The Ray Lindsey Company Belton, MO

Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Hunter to approve Kusters Water's bid of \$147,363 and Smith & Loveless' bid of \$51, 119 contingent upon the KDHE loan approval. Yeas: All.

APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE VEHICLES. The cars are police package, Dodge Chargers from Joe Watt Police Cars in Vinita, Oklahoma. One is a 2009 with 42,000 miles and the other a 2010 with 45,000 miles. The cost is \$27,000 with \$30,000 budgeted. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by LaDuex to approve the purchase of two Dodge Chargers for \$27,000. Yeas: All

Councilwoman Maichel left at 8:40 p.m.

Moon would like a Public Building Commission created and ready to be in place when the City is able to build a Fire Station and make major renovation of City Hall.

Council Reports:

Govea: Attended the Parks & Recreation Committee. Talked about a community garden. The recreation program has added table tennis and there are a lot of participants. There is now a part-time supervisor who supervises the rec programs when needed.

Moon: Public Safety Advisory Board did not meet. Shelagh Wright has resumed her duties as the Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor's Report:

February 17 there will be a Legislative breakfast at the high school.

City Manager's Report:

Projects:

Levees. A major issue is to formally request that the Corps of Engineers consider whether the freeboard change on the SW corner should be reviewed to see if it could be considered as a design flaw.

Website. Attached screen shots of the "close to final" draft of the new website. During the next month, the Committee will be working at modifying content, adding components, getting caught up on historical documents, getting ready to start using the online request tracking, and plenty of otherwork. The Committee consists of Elizabeth Trigg, Ashley Kobe, Ryan Crowley, DuWayne Tewes, Shelagh Wright and him.

Issues:

Next Meeting. During the work session, there may be a presentation by the County on a one-quarter cent sales tax they will be placing on the April 2 ballot for a new jail. All of the current committees, both dormant and active will be reviewed. Their structure, responsibilities and membership will be looked at. This exercise is good to do on a regular basis to make sure that people's time is not being wasted and also that the Council is getting the appropriate input for policies and operational decisions.

Online Bill Payment. Options are being looked at to be implemented with the new website. A final decision has not been made on a vendor. He and office staff have been looking at online bill payment options to be implemented. The goal is to provide an online experience which gives customers complete account information, allows for paperless billing, provides multiple options for payments, and also keeps the cost low or free so residents will use the service. This will also reduce costs and also the time staff spends on utilities billing and the customers

Cemetery Fees. Ashley Kobe conducted a quick survey on cemetery fees. It was found that the City is the only city of our "peers" that have a resident/non-resident rate.

Community Garden. The Parks and Recreation Committee has been working on a Community Garden project for this summer. DJ and Lori Needham, Hanes Florist & Greenhouse at 411 E. Mill, have offered their property behind the shop on East Pacific for the public to use.

Farmer's Market. The Farmer's Market should be re-established this year. Suggested offering the parking on the east side of the fence in the parking lot by the SRS building. Would like to offer one on a weekday evening and a Saturday morning and that a local organization take over the responsibility of getting it organized. The City would be involved by getting signage up and also getting the logistics worked out with SRS. Also would like individual stands or truck sales not be allowed on public property

but at the Farmer's Market site.

Motion made by Hunter, seconded by Dickinson to adjourn. Yeas: All.

_____/s/ Ann Elmquist
Ann Elmquist, City Clerk