

Osawatomie, Kansas. **June 26, 2014.** The Council meeting was held in Memorial Hall. Mayor Govea called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Council members present were Dickinson, Hampson, Hunter, LaDuex, Maichel, and Walmann. Absent were: Farley and Ramirez. Also present were City Manager Cawby, City Attorney Wetzler and City Clerk Elmquist. Visitors were Jim & Katie Mitzner, Joseph Mitzner and Colleen Truelsen.

INVOCATION. Ted Hunter delivered the invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of the June 26 Agenda. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by LaDuex to approve the Consent Agenda. Yeas: All.

Presentations, Comments from the Public:

Public Comment: none

Public Hearings: none

Unfinished Business:

UPDATE ON LMI SURVEY BEING CONDUCTED BY GAS SERVICES. GAS has completed half the town with 200 responses completed meaning there has been only a 10% return on surveys. The 2010 Census figures were released at the beginning of the week and the City's LMI was 69.11%. Discussed whether to continue the survey or stop. City Clerk Elmquist will follow up with Donna Crawford to see if there is any value in continuing.

New Business: none

APPOINTMENTS:

Library Board Lisa DeLeon & Gus Hart

Motion made by Maichel, seconded by Hunter to approve the appointments. Yeas: All.

PRIORITIZATION OF PROJECTS. Several issues had come forward and City Manager Cawby was at a point where he needed the Council to decide the priority of the issues. Then, he could appropriately schedule his time and instruct staff. The lists were broken down into capital improvement projects which need to continue on, issues being worked on or brought forward by committees and also issues that have been identified by staff and himself that need to be dealt with. Staff was to complete or begin the issues in 2014 but none of the projects have been started. The consensus was for City Manager Cawby to follow his list of priorities to complete and to bring to the Council as he can get to them.

BUDGET WORK SESSION – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS REQUESTS FROM STAFF. It is very similar to last year. City Manager Cawby went over the CIP tables.

Council Reports:

LaDuex: The Library's summer reading program has 350 kids with 10-12 programs per week. They have been serving about 200 lunches per week. Ward 3 is having their ice cream social Sunday, June 29, 6:00 p.m. at the Anna January Park.

Hampson: The John Brown Jamboree went really well with a lot of help from the City.

Maichel: Ward 4 has planned their ice cream social for July 3. June 30-July 1 will be the seven-year anniversary of The Flood. There had been complaints from constituents about not hearing the storm sirens. She had problems hearing them too. Was really impressed with how quickly City Manager Cawby handled the matter and appreciatively thanked him. One siren was moved to behind Auten Pharmacy on Brown Avenue so there would be better coverage.

Mayor's Report:

Read a thank you letter from the recipient of the Governing Body Scholarship, Lauren Bratton.

The LKM Conference is being planned and they are looking for ideas for their sessions.

City Manager's Report:

A study was done on the storm sirens in the city. The ones by Auten Pharmacy and the Garland Company should be in the CIP plan. All the sirens need to be upgraded to fiber optics.

Projects:

Sewer Plant. Sewer Plant construction began Monday. For the next 4-6 weeks overtime will be paid on weekends for staff to manually clean the screen at the plant.

Temporary Notes. At the July 10th meeting the Council will be looking at the reissuance of the temporary notes on the Police Station/Court Room project. The project is not far enough along to have definite project costs.

Issues:

Concealed/Open Carry Changes. Asked Chief Stiles to review changes to the signs for Concealed Carry on all of the City's public buildings. He has reviewed information from the Attorney General's Office and believes that no modifications to the current signs are necessary. The new open carry law takes effect on July 1, 2014.

Budget Meetings. Advised the Council they should plan on also meeting on the 3rd Thursday in July.

Jamboree. The Jamboree went very well and was in the black for 2014. There are no final numbers as bills are still coming in.

Motion made at 8:31 p.m. by Hunter, seconded by LaDuex to adjourn. Yeas: All.

Ann Elmquist, City Clerk