

Osawatomie, Kansas. **September 10, 2020.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall. Mayor L. Mark Govea called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were LaDuex, Macek, Diehm, Dickinson, Walmann, Wright and Caldwell. Council members not present: Hampson. City Staff present at the meeting were: City Manager Michael Scanlon, Assistant to the City Manager Samantha Moon, City Attorney Richard Wetzler, Building Inspector Ed Beaudry, Library Director, Elizabeth Trigg, Deputy Chief Will Bradshaw. Members of the public present were Virginia Adams, Blake Albrecht, Sarah Dorsett, Kari Bradley, Debra Huss, and Pat Huss.

**INVOCATION.** Debra Huss, Let There Be Light Fellowship

**CONSENT AGENDA.** Approval of the September 10<sup>th</sup> Agenda; August 27<sup>th</sup> Council Minutes, Pay Application – BG Consultants – KDOT TA - \$1,500.00 and Pay Application – Western Consultants -- WWTF - \$8,950.00. **Motion** made by Councilmember LaDuex, seconded by Councilmember Dickinson to Approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Walmann asked that the minutes of the August 27<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting reflect the proper name of the trail which is Flint Hills Trail. The amendment was accepted a vote taken. Yeas: All.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.** Sarah Dorsett spoke about her concerns with crosswalks and drivers not stopping when people are in the crosswalk, referencing the recent fatality that occurred in Abilene, Kansas. Specifically, her concern is with the crosswalk on Parker near the Elementary School where she feels only about 50% of the cars stop for pedestrians.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

CDBG – Mayor Govea introduced the required CDBG public hearing and asked if the City Council had any questions of our CDBG Grant Administrator, Garrett Nordstrom. Having no questions, Mayor Govea proceeded to open the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. for consideration of an application to be submitted to the Kansas Department of Commerce for Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funds under the Water/Sewer category and also filing an application with USDA Rural Development for permanent financing of Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvements. Mayor Govea invited public participation three times. There being no public comments, Mayor Govea closed the Public Hearing at 6:39.

#### **OLD BUSINESS.**

The Mayor then introduced our newest Public Safety Officer, Blake Albrecht, who was unable to attend and be sworn-in at the last City Council meeting. Administering the oath was City Council President Karen LaDuex.

#### **NEW BUSINESS.**

- A. BOOKMOBILE FOR THE OSAWATOMIE PUBLIC LIBRARY – **Motion** made by Councilmember Caldwell, seconded by Diehm to direct the City Manager and Library Director to solicit for the purchase of a Bookmobile and return with a formal proposal for the City Council to consider after a recommendation from the Library Board. Yeas: All
- B. RESOLUTION 812 – ESTABLISHING A PLAN FOR THE REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF MEMORIAL HALL – Mr. Scanlon introduced the resolution and the concept of funding this through a Mini Bond issue, after City Council discussion the City Council asked Mr. Scanlon to prepare a list of other items that could be included in a Mini Bond issue, and bring it back for City Council review. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Wright to approve Resolution No. 812-establishing a plan for the repair and renovation of Memorial Hall. Yeas: All
- C. RESOLUTION 813 – CERTIFYING LEGAL AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR THE 2021 KANSAS SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMNET BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL TO SIGN AND SUBMIT SUCH AN APPLICATION – **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Caldwell to approve Resolution No. 813-certifying legal authority to apply for the 2021 Kansas Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program from the Kansas Department of Commerce and authorizing the Mayor/City Council to sign and submit such an application.
- D. RESOLUTION 814 – ASSURING THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE THAT FUNDS WILL BE CONTINUALLY PROVIDED FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WASTEWATER SYSTEM TO BE FINANCED WITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS – **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by LaDuex to approve Resolution No. 814-assuring the Kansas Department of Commerce that funds will be continually provided for the operation and maintenance of improvements to the wastewater system to be financed with Community Development Block Grant funds.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS.**

Dan Macek ~ No Report

Jeff Walmann ~ No Report

Karen LaDuex ~ No Report

Lawrence Dickinson ~ No Report

Kenny Diehm ~ No Report

Cathy Caldwell ~ No Report

MAYOR'S REPORT ~ Mayor thanked Sam, Ed and Mike for putting together the landlord meeting and that he felt as a City Council we might have gained some valuable insight from the meeting.

**CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS.**

Mr. Scanlon concluded by saying it's time to watch the Kansas City Chiefs!

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.** None.

**OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.**

**Motion** made by Wright, seconded by Macek to adjourn. Yeas: All. Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*/s/ Mike Scanlon*  
Mike Scanlon, City Manager