

Osawatomie, Kansas. **November 12, 2020.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall. Mayor Mark Govea called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Caldwell, Dickinson, Diehm, LaDuex, Macek, Walmann and Wright. Council member Hampson was absent. City Staff present at the meeting were: City Manager Mike Scanlon, Assistant to the City Manager Sam Moon, City Clerk Tammy Seamands, Building Official Ed Beaudry Police Chief David Stuteville, Assistant Police Chief, William Bradshaw, and Public Safety Officer Scott Polster. Members of the public were: Kari Bradley, Virginia Adams, Doug Smith, Donna Koontz and Dale Koontz.

INVOCATION. Virginia Adams, Community of Christ

CONSENT AGENDA. Approval of November 12th Agenda; October 22nd Council Minutes, and 2020-10 Council Report **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Yeas: All.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. - Virginia Adams reminded council that the boy scouts are doing a food drive and will be picking up the food bags on Saturday. Adams also volunteers at the food pantry. The community is blessed to have the food pantry. Tonight, they are giving away a turkey and fixings.

Doug Smith – lives at 22915 W 341st Street Terrace. This property was annexed 10 years ago. Prior to annexation they were allowed to keep animals on the property and to hunt on the property. Smith would like for the council to consider lifting the ban on small animals, especially chickens on small farms.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS.

APPOINTMENT OF KARI BRADLEY TO THE OSAWATOMIE TRAIL TASKFORCE. – **Motion** made by Walmann, seconded by LaDuex to appoint Kari Bradley to replace Hitomi Lamirande on the Osawatomie Trail Taskforce. Yeas: All.

PUBLIC HEARINGS. - None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. - None

NEW BUSINESS.

KIOSK CONSTRUCTION BIDS – Construction will be required to install a utility payment kiosk. A kiosk will reduce the amount of contact with staff and would promote the safety of both the community and staff. The purchase of the kiosk has been approved using SPARK funding and a request has been submitted for the construction that will be needed to install the kiosk. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Wright to approve the bid from Legacy Construction, LLC in the amount of \$30,856.00 for the work to be done to install the Self Pay Kiosk. Yeas: All.

SELF PAY KIOSK – A utility payment kiosk will allow residents to make utility payments if and when City Hall is closed. **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Macek to approve the use of \$29,163 in the Spark Funding for the purchase of the Kiosk. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 819 – RESOLUTION WAIVING THE GAAP REQUIREMENTS OF K.S.A. 75-1120A(A) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2021– **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 819 – Resolution waiving the GAAP requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) for the year ended 2021. Yeas: All.

ORDINANCE 3790 – AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE CURRENT NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021. **Motion** made by Wright, seconded by Dickinson to approve Ordinance 3790 – An ordinance extending the current neighborhood revitalization plan for a period of one year from and after January 1, 2021. Yeas: All.

CITY COUNCIL POLICY 106 – RECOGNITION OF RETIREES. **Motion** made by Macek, seconded by Caldwell to approve City Council policy 106 – Recognition of retirees. Yeas: All.

CITY COUNCIL POLICY 107 – RELATING TO THE NAMING OF PUBLIC PLACES. **Motion** made by Dickinson, seconded by Wright to approve City Council policy 107 – Relating to the naming of public places. Yeas: All

PROCLAMATION – WALKER STATION – **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve the Proclamation – Naming the area located at the Flint Hills Trailhead as Walker Station. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 820 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE – **Motion** made by Diehm, seconded by Macek to approve Resolution 820 – A Resolution authorizing the extension of the new housing construction incentive program for the City of Osawatome. Yeas: All. Wright abstained due to conflict of interest.

RESOLUTION 821 – DIRECTING STAFF TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH GILMORE AND BELL PC FOR MUNICIPAL BOND COUNSEL SERVICES. **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Wright to approve Resolution 821 – Directing staff to sign an agreement with Gilmore and Bell PC for Municipal Bond Counsel Services. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 822 – DIRECTING STAFF TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PLANNING SUSTAINABLE PLACES GRANT FOR THE OZ COMMONS DOWNTOWN OSAWATOMIE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT. **Motion** made by Wright, seconded by Macek to approve Resolution 822 – Directing staff to enter into an agreement with the Mid-America Regional Council for the administration of the Planning Sustainable Places Grant for the OZ Commons Downtown Osawatome Redevelopment Project. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 823 – DIRECTING STAFF TO “PERFECT” AND THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT OF KANSAS, INC. (WMK) TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL RECYCLING AND WASTE SERVICES TO THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE THROUGH JANUARY 1, 2026. **Motion** made by Macek, seconded by Diehm to approve Resolution 823 – Directing staff to “perfect” and the Mayor to sign an agreement with Waste Management of Kansas, Inc. (WMK) to provide municipal recycling and waste services to the City of Osawatomie through January 1, 2026. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 824 – ESTABLISHING A SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE CITY MANAGER AND POLICE CHIEF IN INVESTIGATING VARIOUS PROCESSES AND STEPS WE CAN TAKE AS AN ORGANIZATION TO INCREASE THE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF POLICE OFFICERS. **Motion** made by Macek, seconded by Caldwell to approve Resolution 824 – Establishing a scope of work for the City Manager and Police Chief in investigating various processes and steps we can take as an organization to increase the recruitment and retention of police officers. Yeas: All.

COUNCIL REPORTS.

Karen LaDuex ~ wants to thank the Pride Committee. The street signs that the Pride Committee painted looks great.

Cathy Caldwell ~ agrees that the street signs look great. Many people have brought up the need of places to purchase produce. Several Dollar General stores in the country sell produce and a manger of our Dollar General mentioned possibly contacting the corporate office to see if they could sell produce. Caldwell asked if someone from the City would call and talk with them.

MAYOR’S REPORT – Some memorial trees have been staked that need to be replaced.

The landlords have met and they are organizing themselves. We are investigating the use of a “Charter Ordinance” to protect the landlords’ interests should administrations change.

A special thanks to the Pride Committee for all their hard work, especially the painting and preparing the Street Sign Markers. People outside of the community has noticed the changes they are making.

Mr. Scanlon and I met with the Secretary of Commerce last week and the Secretary will be returning with several other cabinet officials to talk on Osawatomie subjects varied but all having to do with the Northland Properties. This would include the Solar Array, reuse and possible expansion of services at the State hospital, mountain bike trail on the west side of the hospital and several other possibilities.

Thank you again to Janet McRae who scheduled the Secretary’s visit and will be helping with his future visits. Janet is working hard for us and if you happen to see her in the community please thank her.

Thanks to Ed Beaudry and Dave Ellis who are running down several property owners who have multiple issues – they are doing a great job and their work is thankless.

CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS. – Completing the Transportation Alternative grant application and submitted it. We are also working on Kansas Wildlife Parks and Tourism grant for the property on the west side of the hospital. Yesterday was a holiday and the Secretary of Commerce called Mr. Scanlon at home. He wanted to know more about the trails and the Northland property.

Give Virginia Adams credit for doing a street light inventory of the Northland area that was annexed. In the area south of the Marais Des Cygnes, street lights are paid for by the City but in the Northland area that Virginia lives in the street lights are paid for by the customers. Scanlon is working with Evergy to get the street lights billed to the City instead of the customers. We need to embrace that area and to make sure that what they are paying in taxes are reinvested in that community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.

Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Diehm to adjourn. Yeas: All. Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Seamands
Tammy Seamands, City Clerk