

## **RESOLUTION NO. 956**

### **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE OSAWATOMIE LEVEE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN AND EVACUATION MAPS FOR LEVEE CERTIFICATION WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Osawatomie, Kansas, operates and maintains a US Army Corps of Engineers Levee System and first agreed to operate said levee “in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Federal Government” on December 21, 1964; and

**WHEREAS**, these operations and maintenance regulations have been revised from time to time, most recently in 1980 and again in 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the city entered into a Provisionally Accredited Levee (PAL) agreement with FEMA and subsequently experienced a flood of historic proportions in the Summer of 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, (FEMA), as part of the PAL required all such levees to undergo recertification as part of the upgrade to the digital flood insurance rate maps (dFIRM) to ensure that they were capable of performing as they were designed and constructed to perform; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Osawatomie initiated the recertification process shortly after the 2007 flood as part of the PAL agreement to confirm the levee was capable of protecting the city from the 100-year flood event (.1% annual chance of flooding); and

**WHEREAS**, the city, along with its consulting engineers, Wood Environmental & Infrastructure Solutions Inc. has drafted an Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) and evacuation maps in the event of another flood event and this EPP and evacuation maps have been submitted to FEMA for review and approval and FEMA has given that approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the City of Osawatomie, Kansas, in regular meeting duly assembled this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022 that the Governing Body hereby adopts the Emergency Preparedness Plan and Evacuation Maps and further directs city staff and the consulting engineers to submit the plan and maps to FEMA for incorporation into the final levee certification package.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the City of Osawatomie, Kansas that we hereby reinforce our commitment to safe and sound levee maintenance and operations as directed by, and as may be modified from time to time by the United States Government.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Osawatomie, Kansas this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022, a majority being in favor thereof.

APPROVED AND SIGNED by the Mayor.

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Nick Hampson, Mayor

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ATTEST:

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Tammy Seamands, City Clerk