

Osawatomie, Kansas. **August 12, 2021.** The Council Meeting was held at Memorial Hall located at 411 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor L. Mark Govea called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Walmann, Dickinson, LaDuex, Hampson, Wright and Caldwell. Council members Diehm and Macek was absent. City Staff present at the meeting were City Manager Mike Scanlon, City Clerk Tammy Seamands, Assistant to the City Manager Sam Moon, Chief Building Official Ed Beaudry, Utility Clerk Kim Coffelt and City Attorney Richard Wetzler. Members of the public were: Jordy Goff, Cody Goff, Kari Bradley, Dale Koontz, Donna Koontz, Derek Henness, Nicole Henness, Paul Davidson, Kevin Fullerton, Jenny Weaver and Brad Weaver.

**INVOCATION.** Paul Davidson, New Hope Parish

**CONSENT AGENDA.** Approval of August 12<sup>th</sup> Agenda, July 8<sup>th</sup> Council Minutes, July 22<sup>nd</sup> Council Minutes and Pay Applications – BG Consultants - \$42,490.00, **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Dickinson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Yeas: All.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.**

Paul Davidson – 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church is part of the New Hope Parish. New Hope Parish consists of three church families of Miami County Kansas, First Presbyterian Church of Osawatomie, First Presbyterian Church of Paola, and Miami Presbyterian Church near Louisburg. They are starting do more Parish events together. They are getting ready to go watch the Monarchs play baseball. It is \$50 per person if anyone would like to join them.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

**INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN** – Congress requires the Western Area Power Administration and its customers to provide an annual report of supply-side, demand-side, and renewable resource activities undertaken as a result of the National Energy Policy Act of 1992. Mayor Govea opened the public hearing at 6:37 p.m. The mayor asked three times if there were any comments. Hearing no comments, the hearing was closed at 6:39 p.m.

#### **PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.**

**LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT – KEVIN SCHASTEEN** – **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Hampson to approve the appointment of Kevin Schasteen to the Osawatomie Library Board. Yeas: All.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL BUDGET PRESENTATION** – Kari Bradley presented the Chamber of Commerce Annual Budget.

**CITY LOGO REDESIGN REVIEW** – Kevin Fullerton of Springboard Creative gave a presentation of suggested Logo redesign examples that their firm has come up with for the city. Fullerton asked the governing body for their comments and opinions on the two logos that was presented. Springboard will take that information back and tweak the logo that the majority of the council preferred and bring it back to the next council meeting.

BUDGET FORCAST – City Manager Mike Scanlon discussed his plan to increase revenue for street repairs by contemplating both a property tax increase and a sales tax increase. He asked council to consider both of those items and then to vote on them at the next meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

RESOLUTION 905 – PRE-DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR GOFF EVENT SPACE. – Jordy and Cody Goff shared their idea of a constructing an event space and set of cottages in proximity to Mile Zero on the Flint Hills Trail. They are looking to invest in properties and projects in our community. **Motion** made by Caldwell, seconded by LaDuex to approve Resolution 905 – Directing the City Manager to sign a predevelopment agreement with Jordy and Cody Goff for the development of the Goff event space as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 906 – ALWAYS AND FUREVER – The goal of this resolution is to create a framework for the expansion and renovation of the Osawatomie Animal Shelter. Working with Always and Furever, LLC we will be jointly raising donation dollars and grant dollars for this project. **Motion** made by Caldwell, seconded by Wright to approve Resolution 906 – Directing the City Manager to develop a plan and appropriate agreements (in conjunction with Always and Furever LLC) for the expansion and renovation of the Osawatomie Animal Shelter (OAS) as presented. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 907 – TOWERPOINT AGREEMENTS – In the fall of 2020, the city was contacted by Tower Point Acquisitions for the sale of tower leases used by cellular phone companies to provide services to their customers. The agreed upon price for this transfer is \$300,000 and action tonight transfers the easements and leases from the City to TowerPoint dba TPA V, LLC. **Motion** made by Hampson, seconded by Caldwell to approve Resolution 907- Directing the City Manger to Enter into an assignment of lease and easement agreement with TPA V, LLC for the payment of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000). Yeas: All. Walmann was out of the room at the time of the vote.

RESOLUTION 908 – 2022 BUDGETARY POLICIES – moved to August 26, 2021 agenda.

RESOLUTION 909 – CONTRACT WITH CIVICPLUS AND TEXTMYGOV USING A COMBINATION OF FUNDS (ARPA/CARES) – Assistant to the City Manger Sam Moon requested approval to change the city website from the self-hosted WordPress platform back to a Civic Plus hosted website. Staff has been unable to replicate some of the core features from our previous website. Textmygov will allow customers to text in keywords to a designated number and report anything from a pot hole to a power outage. **Motion** made by Walmann, seconded by LaDuex to approve Resolution 909 – Authorizing a contract with Civic Plus and Textmygov using a combination of Cares Act and Arpa funding. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 910 – ADOPTING CITY OF OSAWATOMIE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE POLICY - City Manager Mike Scanlon stated that we are about

to complete all of the site certification steps that will allow us to offer our Northland properties for consideration through the Kansas Commerce Department's International and Business recruitment offices. One key piece is a statement from the Governing Body related to economic incentives. **Motion** made by Hampson, seconded by Wright to approve Resolution 910 – Adopting a set of economic incentive policies using tools prescribed by Kansas statute. Yeas: All.

RESOLUTION 911 – LAKE REGION SOLID WASTE BENCH PROJECT – The City partnered with the Lake Region Solid Waste Authority to submit an application to the KDHE Waste Tire Grant Program. During the spring of 2021, we were notified that this project had been selected to receive a grant for benches. The following locations have been identified for the benches: 3 benches at the playground areas around the Osawatomie Lake, 1 bench at the Soldier's Monument, 1 bench at the outdoor Family Fitness Park, and 6 benches at various school bus locations around town. **Motion** made by Walmann, seconded by Dickinson to approve Resolution 911 – Accepting benches from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's (KDHE) Waste Tire Grant Project and assisting community organizations in installing the benches. Yes: All.

RESOLUTION 912 – ACCEPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE OSAWATOMIE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – **Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Hampson to approve Resolution 912 – Allocating \$30,000 to the Osawatomie Chamber of Commerce as part of the 2022 budget and committing to annual increases based on local CPI for the Kansas City Metropolitan area as of January 1 of the current year. Yeas: All. Wright abstained due to conflict of interest. Wright is related to the executive director.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS.**

Cathy Caldwell ~ it is great to have an active Chamber director like Kari Bradley

Karen LaDuex ~ appreciates that department heads are presenting items at the council meetings instead of leaving it all up to the city manager.

Jeff Walmann ~ saw that the information boards are in place on the kiosk at the trail but was wondering where the picnic tables for the trail head are.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – **Thanks** to Chief Building Official Ed Beaudry for working on a resolution to the trailers on Walnut, for getting the Adair house removed and for helping in the search for Bryant.

Tonight, we are going to have an executive session regarding a personnel matter which is the city manager's review.

I want to thank everybody who helped in finding Bryant—KS Highway Patrol, Miami County Sheriff's Office, Johnson County Sheriff's Office, KS Parks and Wildlife, Missouri Search Dog Team, Osawatomie Fire Department, Osawatomie Police Department and the Osawatomie residents.

We had a visitor Whitney Temple who is a district representative for Jake LaTurner's office. She came in to get some information and some feedback on what we are doing. Scanlon was able to give her some good information on how they could help us.

**CITY MANAGER & STAFF REPORTS.** – Staff will be starting next week to connect residents to the new waterline on Main Street Terrace and it should be completed by Thanksgiving.

We have asked Miami County to contribute \$200,000 for the \$300,000 water line that is needed for the school from their American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Working with Janet McRae she has \$20,000 set aside for virtual buildings. They create a virtual building and then market this to manufactures, food processors and distributors to show how a site can be built, how it can be used and what the costs are. Evergy has committed \$10,000, Miami County has committed \$20,000 and we will commit about \$10,000 to this project. We will get three prototype buildings.

Scanlon has hit Janet McRae up for a \$250,000 loan to help in the downtown. At the end of the Oz Commons planning there will be buildings that we want to invest in. We have a preliminary agreement that they would be willing to loan us up to \$250,000 from their economic development money.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.** - Motion made by Hampson, seconded by Wright to adjourn for an Executive Session with the Governing Body, City Attorney and City Manager to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel and that we reconvene in this room in 30 minutes at 9:20 p.m. Yeas: All.

The council meeting resumed to open session at 9:20 p.m. with no action taken.

**Motion** made by LaDuex, seconded by Hampson to adjourn for an Executive Session with the Governing Body, City Attorney and City Manager to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel and that we reconvene in this room in 15 minutes at 9:35 p.m. Yeas: All.

The council meeting resumed to open session at 9:35 p.m. with no action taken.

#### **OTHER DISCUSSION/MOTIONS.**

**Motion** made by Wright, seconded by Dickinson to adjourn. Yeas: All. Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Seamands  
Tammy Seamands, City Clerk