

## VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 19, 2023

**Call to Order:** President Burger called regular council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** was given

**ROLL CALL:** Trustees Present: S. Halloran, Andrea Arthur, Sara Fauble, R. Hudson, W. Miller & S. Schwing. Also present Clerk Hudson & Treasurer, N. Jach

**SET-AMEND AGENDA:** Add blight/zoning

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Wendy Kamaloski-5190 Main St.-in favor of a band shell but not the location selected or the design. Gave council different ideas to consider. Also suggested buying materials locally.

**County Commissioner:** Mr. Dontz gave his report.

**MINUTES:** Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Fauble supported to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2023 meeting as presented. M/C.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Fauble supported to accept the March 31, 2023 Statement of Accounts as presented. M/C.

#### **TREASURER'S REQUEST:**

--Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Fauble supported not to transfer 25% from Major Street to Local Street for this fiscal year as requested by the village president. M/C.

**Just for information: Coho Center and that section of it known as Portage Poplars has now changed to Condos with some of the units having new addresses including the big brown house on the lake.**

**Copies of these changes and aerial photos (2021) are attached to the sewer report on file with the Treasurer. No equivalentents have been changed.**

**BILLS / TRANSFERS:** Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Schwing supported to pay the bills and make the transfers for March. President Burger called for a roll call vote. Arthur, Burger, Drumm, Fauble, Halloran, Hudson & Miller /yes, M/C.

#### **-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **ZONING:**

Mike Szokola/Village Zoning Administrator-Planning Director reported the hiring of a new code enforcement officer/ Glenn C. Zaring. Blight violations are being addressed. Mike also reported that the Village contract for zoning services ends January of 2024 and a new contract is being worked up.

##### **PLANNING COMMISSION:**

###### **--proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance/adoption**

President Burger asked council for their input. Much discussion followed. These amendments were given to the lawyer to review. Only changes were to the format which have been taken care of.

More discussion with regard to the parking then Trustee Halloran moved, Trustee Arthur supported to adopt these changes. Roll Call: Hudson, Arthur, Halloran, Schwing, Miller, Fauble-YES, President Burger-NO. Motion carried. These proposed amendments are to address all mentions of the use: Eating and

Drinking Establishments-Hotel, Motel, Hotel Boutique and Bed and Breakfast within the Village of Onekama and to add additional standards to the general provisions re: parking requirements and lighting standards. Complete Ordinance amendment is on file with clerk.

**---status of RFP for Master Plan/update  
Bids are due by 1p.m. Tuesday-April 25, 2023**

**SEWER:**

- spare pump, for LS#3 has been repaired
- irrigation season will be starting soon.
- meeting with USDA re: plan options for upgrade grant

**STREETS:**

- pot hole on Zosel will be addressed in the spring.

**PARKS AND THE FARR CENTER**

**Parks:**

--discussion on proposed project (event stage) in Village Park  
Joe Suchocki/ OCR chairperson-brought all up to speed on the status of the event stage proposed. He reviewed for all in attendance the presentation given at the March meeting re: pursuing a grant to construct an event stage which will serve also as an auxiliary Pavilion in the Village Park. Location selected was the SE corner of park across from Papa Jays. General public were invited to give their views on this project. Lots of approval but some would like to see a different location, something closer to a lake view. More discussion then Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Fauble supported to give approval to the building of an event stage, provided necessary funding can be raised. This is intended to be a budget neutral project-zero tax dollars from the village. Roll Call: Schwing, Halloran, Miller and Burger/NO. Arthur, Hudson and Fauble/YES. Motion FAILS.

**FARR CENTER:**

- waiting for proposals to upgrade electrical panel in Farr Center kitchen.
- FC Committee met and presented their wish list for improvements to the hall. Partial list includes: replacement of old windows, replace front door with ADA accessible one, upgrade bathrooms, refinish hall floor and add motion lights on northeast corner of building.
- President Burger will be writing a letter of support for the garden club re: their grant application to renovate their Memorial Garden Patio, located behind the Farr Center Hall, the village offices and the Onekama Branch of the Manistee County Library.

**CEMETERY: flags will be set out before Memorial Day.**

**TOWNSHIP REPORT:** On line

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**New Business:** Trustee Schwing turned in her resignation. She was thanked for her service. Her term of office ends in 2024.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Nola Teye/ very disappointed in the board. Wayne Miller/he voted on the side of the people.

**ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS:**

ADJOURNMENT: 9:30

Respectfully:

Ruth Hudson

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