

VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 15, 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: Consumers Energy Grant/new business

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

County Commissioner: Mr. Dontz gave his report.

Misinformation on Face book

--Shelly Johnson (Twp. Clerk) spoke on behalf of David Meister explaining that what was reported on Facebook re: the Village Sewer Committee meeting with David Meister was false. Village President Roger Burger was at the township hall for a Harbor Commission Meeting and was not involved in the 2 Lakes Sewer Authority Meeting.

MINUTES: Trustee Schwing moved, Trustee Arthur supported to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2023 meeting as presented. M/C.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Halloran supported to accept the February 28, 2023 Statement of Accounts as presented. M/C.

TREASURER'S REQUEST:

--Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Miller supported to move \$60,000. From General Fund Savings II (Filer Credit Union/Manistee) to the Sewer Receiving Fund (West Shore Bank/Onekama) to help keep ahead of paying the bills. Money will be reimbursed in the future. M/C.

--Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Miller supported to close Watershed Grant bank account and move the remaining \$400. (rain garden donations) into its own account. M/C.

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

-COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

Proposed amendments to our current zoning ordinance were given to the council to review and action will be taken at April meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Public meeting on the proposed amendments will be held on March 27/6p.m.

-reimbursement/Planning Class

Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Fauble supported to reimburse Joe Suchocki for the Citizen

Planner Class he attended on Line. M/C.

SEWER:

-- Pump #1 for LS#3 was replaced.

Sewer Committee Meeting

--Sewer Committee (Roger, Rod & Wayne) met and discussed equivalents for Bed and Breakfast in the Village. Trustee Miller moved, Hudson supported that as of March 1, 2023, all Bed and Breakfasts, 6 bedrooms or less, operating in Onekama Village will be charged 2 equivalents. M/C. Fauble votes no.

STREETS:

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

PARKS AND THE FARR CENTER

Parks:

FARR CENTER:

--waiting for proposals to upgrade electrical panel in Farr Center kitchen.

CEMETERY: nothing to report

TOWNSHIP REPORT: On line

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

New Business

Consumers Energy Grant

--The foundation is offering grants to help with projects that will help your community improve and attract new businesses and encourage tourism. Joe Suchocki, Planning Commission member, is pursuing the grant for the Village and gave a great and very informative presentation to the board. The major objective of the grant is to construct an event stage in the Village Park to serve as a community cultural center and a dedicated memorial to veterans. After some discussion, Miller moved, Arthur supported to agree to this action as long as the council will have input on the location of the stage. M/C.

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT: Marcia Rogers/ how are equivalents arrived at? Nola Teye/short term rental questions Chris Forth/ short term rentals will be discussed at March 27 public hearing.

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully:

Ruth Hudson