

VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA COUNCIL

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

August 19, 2026

MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE FARR CENTER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by President Miller

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL: Trustees Present: R. Burger, S. Fauble, S. Finan, T. Foster, S. Halloran

R. Hudson

Also Present: Treasurer Jach & Clerk Hudson

AGENDA ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS – There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS. Greg Carlson/lot size changes. Dan Burger/permit modification

MANISTEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT - None

Onekama Marine/permit

Katie Gruenberg presented to the council a request from Onekama Marine for modification to their permit. They are requesting the ability to change the site plans from a wooden walkway/boardwalk to smaller platforms at the end of each dock. After some discussion, Trustee Foster moved, Trustee Finan supported to approve this modification. M/C.

Onekama Safe Route to School project

Joe Suchocki updated the council on this project by asking the council to sign a contractual service agreement with MSU to develop a community design and to give \$6000.to cover engineering fees.

After some discussion, Trustee Halloran moved, Trustee Foster supported to have President Miller sign contractual service agreement with MSU, take \$6000.out of General Fund (GF will be reimbursed in Oct) for engineering services and to establish a side walk committee. M/C.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Trustee Foster moved, Trustee Finan seconded to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2026 Regular Council Meeting. M/C.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Trustee Burger moved, Trustee Foster supported to accept the July 31, 2026 Statement of Accounts as presented. The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REQUEST: Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Fauble supported to amend the budget as requested. M/C. None

BILLS AND TRANSFERS

Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Foster supported to pay the bills and make the transfers for July, 2026. After discussion, President Miller called for a roll call vote. Burger – Yes, Fauble – Yes, Finan – Yes, Foster – Yes, Halloran – Yes, Hudson – yes, Miller – Yes. M/C..

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING REPORT

--a request for a variance, 4594 Main St has been received.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

--changes to Child Care zoning regulations, changes to lot sizes and DDA's were discussed.

SEWER REPORT

--there was a failure of an irrigation pump motor and a pump motor failure at LS#2

--tablet failure was reported. After some discussion Trustee Burger moved, Trustee Foster supported to investigate replacing and to look into buying or leasing. M/C.

SEWER UPGRADE

-Trustee Burger moved, Trustee Foster seconded to approve Draw # 11 of the USDA RD Sewer Project. President Miller called for a roll call vote. Burger – Yes, Fauble – Yes, Finan – Yes, Foster – Yes, Halloran – Yes, Hudson – Yes, Miller – Yes. The motion carried.

--Trustee Burger moved, Trustee Finan supported to approve Change Order #5. M/C.

STREETS REPORT

-Trustee Burger reported street repair projects are finished for 2026.

Brush Removal Update

---After much discussion, including hearing from Allen Pike-Extreme Trees who has been doing the brush removal in the village Trustee Burger moved, Trustee Foster supported to have Extreme Trees finish out the 2026 brush removal schedule in the village .M/C. 2027 brush removal policy changes will be discussed before the new policy is presented..

PARKS

--request received from a local Vietnam Veteran to have missing flag replaced in the village park near the Commemorative Veterans' Plaque. Flag will be replaced as soon as the defective rope on the pole is replaced. Watering of the young trees is still being done and may go through September. Mulch replacement around playground equip. should be in place before fall.

FARR CENTER REPORT –

Electrical Upgrade/update

Andy Prine/Paradigm Electric owner apologized for all the delays and said he should have upgrade started end of September.

CEMETERY REPORT – clerk requested that a form be created by our attorney to be signed by the purchasers as to there responsibilities when a lot is purchased. Running into problems with regard to not contacting the office before placing of monuments.

PORTAGE LAKE ASSOCIATION –

FUNDING RESEARCH – Trustee Halloran & Mary Jo McElroy will be attending a MML Zoom meeting for grant info.

SEWER EQUIVALENTS RESEARCH-

COMMUNICATIONS – quote of **\$8750** from Ellie Brown for a new web site was received and discussed but no action taken.

ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP REPORT -

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

NEW BUSINESS – Trustee Halloran inquired if we had a signed contract with the maintenance man yet and also asked about his weekly overtime.

CORRESPONDENCE: Doug Schultz (flag request) RiverRock (contract for oil development)

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS –

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted

Ruth M. Hudson