

VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 21, 2022

Call to **Order**: President Burger called council meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. (Meeting date was changed due to the election.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: was given

ROLL CALL: Trustees Present: S. Halloran, Andrea Arthur, Sara Fauble (newly elected), R. Hudson, W. Miller & S. Schwing.

Also present Clerk Hudson & Treasurer, N. Jach

SET-AMEND AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT: Tim Johnson: agenda on line/welcome Sara Fauble to council

County Commissioner: no report

Fire Dept. Report/Onekama Township

--**Rob Johnson** introduced himself as the new fire chief. Reported they currently have 10 members on the squad but ideally they would like to have 18 and they handle 39 to 42 runs per month.

MINUTES: Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Schwing supported to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2022 meeting as presented. M/C.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Hudson moved, Trustee Arthur supported to accept the October 31, 2022 Statement of Accounts as presented. M/C.

TREASURER'S REQUEST: none

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

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ZONING:

--**Blight Complaint Verdict**:

Judge ruled in favor of the Village. Looking for a contractor to clean-up the site, probably early spring. Costs will be added to property owners taxes.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

--commission recommends accepting the overlay district as it is pictured on the current zoning map but would like to see the ordinance amended to reflect this. After some discussion this action will be tabled till after a request for a public hearing is held. More discussion then it was agreed to hold this public hearing ½ hour (6:30) before the January 18, 2023 meeting.

SEWER:

--pump repairs continue at LS#3.

-- Service for 7576 1st. Street went on line November 1.

Upgrade Project

--**Right-of-Way Certificate:** Trustee Schwing moved, Trustee Hudson supported to have the president and clerk sign. M/C.

--**Mika Meyers Legal Services/contract:** Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Hudson supported to accept. M/C.

STREETS:

--winter plowing of the streets has begun.

PARKS AND THE FARR CENTER

Parks

--received a quote to remove 7 trees in the park, approximately \$400. a tree. Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Hudson supported to have this work done. M/C.

Watershed Grant Update

Lara Treemore Spears reported the current grant winds up December 3. Expect the final plans for the rain garden soon.

Rain Garden/ grant funding resolution application

Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Miller supported to submit an application to receive \$16,579 in grant funding from the EGLE High Water Infrastructure Grant to be matched by \$3,645 of in-kind funding, for the construction of raingardens, by contractors and suppliers and a \$400. Cash donations to the Village, for a total project cost of \$20,224. M/C.

FARR CENTER:

--Chairperson Miller reported that the painting of the Farr Center building is complete and looks GREAT!

CEMETERY: 2 dead pines and an ash tree are on the list for removal in the spring.

TOWNSHIP REPORT: On line

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

---**Competitive Bidding Policy:** copies were given to the board to review and action will be tabled till the January meeting.

---**December Meeting:** Trustee Schwing moved, Trustee Hudson supported to cancel the December Meeting due to the Christmas Holiday. M/C. **Next meeting will be January 18.**

---**Trustee Miller moved, Trustee Schwing supported to form an Open Communication Committee to keep the public updated. Trustee Miller will chair. More info at January meeting.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT: Joe Suchocki/ need more open communication and PC appointment. Nola Teye/ open communication. John Werlinger/congratulation to newly elected Sara Fauble and improvements to the village.

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS:

--Budget work session will be, Thursday January 12, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. and Thursday Jan 26 2:30 p.m.

--President Burger will be in the office and available to the public, Mon-Wed 9-12.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully:

Ruth Hudson