

Village Of Onekama Council Meeting July 15, 2009

Meeting called to order by President Combs at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Hendricks, Drumm, Bauer, Blackmore & Schwing /present.
Lagerquist / absent. ZA Dana Schindler was also present.

Others in attendance: Isabelle Steffens, Suzanne Schwing, Pat Guzikowski, Dave Richards (Kalcher, Vanderwal & Torrey)

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Comment: Pat Guzikowski, storm drain between 1st. & 2nd. Ave. barely taking water which backs water up onto his property. Needs some attention.

CONSENT ADOPTION:

Blackmore moved, Drumm supported to accept the June 17, minutes with the correction; eliminate "as read". M/C. Blackmore moved, Drumm supported to accept the Treasurers report. M/C Drumm moved, Blackmore supported to pay the bills and make the transfers. M/C.

Audit Proposal

Dave Richards presented proposal from the firm of Baird & Cotter Audit proposal from the Harris Group who did the 2008-09 audit was \$200.00 (\$6700.00) higher this year. Cost for the same services from Baird & Cotter \$4750.00. (includes out of pocket costs) Difference of \$1950.00. Drumm moved, Blackmore supported to employ Baird & Cotter which would require a resolution filed with the state for a deadline extension. M/C. Drumm moved, Blackmore supported to request an extension of time from the state due to selection of a new auditing firm. M/C

Manistee County Library/Onekama Branch

Air conditioning upgrade

Requesting permission from the Village to allow the Library to make improvements to their existing air conditioning system at no cost to the Village. Blackmore moved, Drumm supported to OK the upgrade project. M/C.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

- Written report was given to all council members.
- Council President Combs reported that Police Power Violations were nearing their 60 day grace period. Next step would be to issue citations.
- Council requested re-wording by the Attorney of the ROW Encroachment notices to go out in a future mailing.
- Schindler reviewed final draft of Village Overlay District and the council set a Special Meeting date of July [29@1p.m.](#) to review and act on the Ordinance Amendment 2009-01.
- Schwing moved, Hendricks supported to send Schindler to Right to Farm Act Conference in TC (Aug.31). M/C 1/3 cost will be covered by the Village. \$20.00.
- Amending Noxious Weed Ordinance was discussed. Consensus deemed to issue the letters of violation where there have been complaints this year. Schindler should work on revision for 2010.

SEWER

- Maintenance person Gronostalski was issued his L1 sewage treatment operators certificate. Schwing moved, Hendricks supported to increase his pay by \$1.00 as of July 13th. M/C. Congratulations to Bob!!!
- DEQ asked the Village to do another flow study(groundwater) for the lagoon system at the cost of \$1800.00. Bauer moved, Schwing supported to have this done the last week of July. M/C. Study will be done by Fleis & Vanderbrink.
- Bear Lake Twp. is losing its trash control site with Pleasanton and requested permission to use our 11 mile rd. property twice a month. Consensus of council not to approve.

---11 mile Rd House

Received bids to remove house. After much discussion Bauer moved, Schwing supported to table this action and the selling of the 71 acres. M/C.

--Grease Infiltration update

One business still not in compliance with mandatory grease traps. Council directed Blackmore to turn this matter over to the Attorney to write letter of violation to the business owner.

STREETS

Street repairs are complete but repair to Prospect St. needs additional work. Combs will recontact Greg Brown.

- Combs will also get bids to do minor repairs on Mill St. and 4th. Ave.
- the slow drain on 2nd. St. will also be investigated further.

PARKS-FARR CENTER

Hendricks reported the following:

- E-coli test numbers have been great.
- cleaning of the beach is still not done and President Combs will recontact the Manistee DPW in this regard and also the cleaning of the wet wells.
- painting of the bathhouse is complete with a lot of positive feedback from the public. Nice job Dave Kerher!!
- carpet for FC hallway will be installed on July 22.
- handicap ramp has been installed at the park in the area of the parking lot by the pavilion and the bathrooms.
- repairs to the park Jetty railing have been completed but need more work in the area of the expansion joint. President Combs will handle this.

COMMUNITY PARKS & REC.

They are working on getting better trail markers at North Point Park.

CEMETERY REPORT:

Schwing reported:

- sign has been erected at the new Cemetery.
- made contact with Nordlund to see about grave lot markers that are more visible.

WETLANDS ACQUISITION UPDATE

Bauer moved, Drumm supported to have the Village with draw 2nd grant application and to reapply in 2010. M/C

TOWNSHIP REPORT

Hendricks gave report. Township- Fire Dept. is looking into the purchase of a new Pumper Truck. \$275,000.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Recycle bins by the Village garage are becoming a house hold trash dump area. Drumm moved, Blackmore supported to have the recycle bins removed from the garage area. M/C.

NEW BUSINESS

Valley Side Apts-water system

Council received request from the DEQ to have the Village of Onekama sign a resolution refusing ownership of the Type 1 water supply system used by the apartments. Their system is a privately owned one and the Village is not responsible for it. Drumm moved, Blackmore supported to sign resolution refusing ownership. M/C.

CORRESPONDENCE

--ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP

--J. Anderson

--Wade Trim

--M-dot

--Manistee County

--Portage Lake Wetlands

PUBLIC COMMENT

Pat Guzikowski-thanked the council for their interest in his problem re: storm drain between 1st. & 2nd. Avenue.

Isabelle Steffens-asking about the time table for the creek cleanup caused when the Dare Pond flooded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Ruth M. Hudson

Village clerk