

Regular meeting of the mayor and council was held August 1, 2016, 5:00 p.m. at city hall. Mayor Jennifer Brush presided. Council members present: John Bisnette, Tonya Kuhn, Devin Renken, Teri Cordill, John Cary. Also present: Bruce Berkley, Terry Gradig, Vickie Oviatt, Ron Duran, LaRhea Cole, Jerry Knouf, Joshua Arnoldy, Pam Meier, and Donald File.

Mayor Brush called the meeting to order and led in the flag salute.

John C. moved, seconded by John B., to approve the minutes of the council meeting held July 18, 2016. Carried. Tonya and Devin abstained.

Jerry Knouf gave the Osborne County Sheriff's department report for the period of 7/1/16 – 8/1/16. Sheriff Miner and Jerry will meet with Bruce concerning the abandoned vehicles. Jerry presented the proposed 2017 law enforcement contract for council's review. Jerry was given an updated index of special use permit holders.

Ron Duran reported that he and Bruce have relocated 27 cats and have approximately 8 more at this location. Mayor Brush asked about the progress at the remaining four locations. Ron is focusing on one location at this time. One of the properties is open to animals going in and out which could be a health nuisance issue. Ron reported that there are still court cases for no dog tags.

Solomon Valley Transportation Transit Manager, Tammy Kimminau, thanked the council for past support. She updated the council on rate modifications and service changes due to lack of funding. Osborne County is low on donations. She asked the council to consider increasing the city pledge. Each county needs to bring about \$30,000/year.

Donald File, Willow Springs Services, completed a study of the medical clinic building. He presented air quality findings and found several issues that need to be addressed. A proposal was reviewed. Following discussion, John C. moved, seconded by Devin, to contract with Willow Springs Services to treat the medical clinic for mold; install basement crawlspace ventilation system; install three air knight systems, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 from the general fund. Carried.

Joshua Arnold, Pool Manager, presented a pool report. He reviewed expenses, recommendations, and attendance.

John Lemon, Code Enforcement, was not present for a report. Mayor Brush will contact John.

Terry Gradig, City Superintendent, questioned if the council was ready to start dirt work on the east Railroad extension. Terry asked if the council wanted to resurface Roadside Park. Terry reported that he will need to purchase a load of oil, 6,000 gallon at \$2.21/gal. The city crew has been street sweeping, spraying the streets, and also spraying at the cemetery for bagworm.

Terry reported that Wilson & Co. will have a report on the water treatment plant in November.

John C. had visited with Alvin Becker concerning the damages to his property during the storms. Damage was caused by a carport that had been moved by the contractor doing the

sewer improvement project. Alvin said the contractor had not anchored it down after moving it. Alvin had contacted the contractor, but hadn't heard back. City attorney will review.

Clerk presented correspondence from Wise Construction. The library budget request and attendance records were distributed.

Ordinances, to incorporate by reference the 2016 Editions of the Uniform Public Offense Code and the Standard Traffic Ordinance, were reviewed. Tonya moved, seconded by John B., to pass ordinance #973 and #974. Carried.

Tonya moved, seconded by Teri, to approve building permit #16-24. Carried.

Bruce reported that the scouts will plan to start repairs on the Whiteway stage.

John B. moved, seconded by Tonya, to pass Charter Ordinance #15. John B., Tonya, John C., Devin, and Teri – Yes. Carried unanimously.

There was discussion regarding the proposed 2017 budget. Council agreed to leave the estimated tax rate at 75.571. Following discussion, John C., moved, seconded by Tonya, to publish the Budget Hearing Notice, setting the budget hearing for August 15, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. Carried.

Mayor Brush reminded council of the First Impressions town hall meeting with Nadine Sigle at the memorial hall, August 4th, at 7:00 p.m.

John B. asked about groups using the roadside park for sales. It was noted that they should provide their own insurance.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed. Devin moved, seconded by John B., to approve the vouchers as presented. Carried.

At 8:05 p.m., Teri moved to adjourn. John B. seconded the motion. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Jennifer Brush, Mayor

Vickie Oviatt, Clerk

