

VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 21, 2021

Note: This meeting was held at the village park due to the current MDHHS ruling: a cleaning plan must be in place to open Farr Center for meetings. As of this meeting there is no cleaning plan.

Call to Order: President Burger called meeting to order at 7 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: was given

ROLL CALL: Trustees Present: A. Arthur, R. Burger, R. Hudson, R. Drumm, S. Halloran, & S. Schwing.

Also present Clerk, Ruth Hudson & Treasurer, Nikki Jach.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none.

County Commissioner: Mr. Dontz gave his report

Manistee Conservation District/HHW Day August 21, 2021

--Mr. Wallace/chairperson gave a presentation and was looking for support (money) from the Village.

Much discussion followed then Miller moved, Arthur supported to contract with Manistee Conservation District to be a part of HHW 2021 at the cost of: \$175.00. Roll Call-Schwing, Halloran, Miller and Arthur/YES. Hudson, Drumm, and Burger/NO. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Trustee Arthur moved, Trustee Halloran supported to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2021 regular council meeting as presented. **M/C.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Schwing moved, Trustee Arthur supported to accept the June 30, 2021 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 June. President Burger called for a roll call vote. Arthur-yes, Burger-yes, Hudson-yes, Drumm/yes, **M/C.**

-COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING: violation issues are being addressed by letter and personal visit. There is a vacancy on the ZBA.

PLANNING COMMISSION: did not meet in July due to no quorum.

SEWER

-- President Burger reported that the sewer committee (A. Arthur, R. Hudson and President Burger) will be meeting in the near future to discuss property equivalents that need to be brought in line. Also reported: the sewer operator (Bob Grnostalski) is working to get the invasive species under control at the sewer ponds and Saw Grant work is complete.

STREETS:

--3rd street reconstruction should begin soon.

-- M-Dot paper work for Onekama Days Parade permit is being worked on.

PARKS AND THE FARR CENTER

Parks

--EGLE contract/Program Grant

Onekama Village, in conjunction with the Watershed Group, was awarded a \$40,000. grant to study stream water quality entering Portage Lake. President Burger has signed this contract.

---Jetty Repair

Trustee Drumm will contact Swidorski to start this repair

Trustee Drumm also reported that the dying trees in the park will be removed and replaced and the washed out area near the beach has been repaired by maintenance man.

Farr Center:

--repair to East side of Farr Center is complete but it was noted that some of the bricks will need to be tucked. Chair person, Halloran reran ad for repairs to FC and received one bid from Matthew 6 Construction, total cost \$14,250. Much discussion. Halloran moved to accept bid no second, motion dies. More discussion. Trustee Schwing said she would find someone to power wash and do the painting that needs to be done at no cost. More discussion! Nothing finalized. At this point the clerk wasn't sure if this will actually get done and when.

--cleaning plan:

Revised plan was given to the board from Halloran for review and approval. Discussion, discussion and more discussion. Clerk was concerned about the enforcement. No one on the FC committee stepped up to take the job. Clerk asked the question again, Who will enforce this plan? This needs to be in the motion. More discussion. Trustee Schwing questioned the purchase of the eco lab products for cleaning as opposed to using less expensive Clorox which is just as effective. More discussion. Halloran moved, Arthur supported to adopt this CDC approved cleaning plan and to use the ECO Lab products so Farr Center can open Roll Call: Hudson, Burger, Drumm, Arthur, and Schwing /NO. Halloran and Miller/YES. Motion fails. President Burger asked for a revised plan from the committee.

CEMETERY:

--quiet, no complaints.

TOWNSHIP REPORT. On line

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

--Trustee Halloran asked President Burger to answer her e-mails and to communicate better.

--Trustee Schwing, asked President Burger to open up communication with the board.

NEW BUSINESS:

--Trustee Arthur relayed to the board that Al Taylor (Township) asked if the Village was interested in working in conjunction with the Township on the master plan. No response from the board.

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS:

Lara Treemore Spears (Watershed group) working with kids introducing them to the world in the streams. Hands on fun!

ADJOURNMENT: 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully:

Ruth Hudson