

VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA COUNCIL MEETING July 16, 2008

President Wendt called council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was given

Roll Call: Hendricks, Schwing, Combs, Peterson, Blackmore & Lagerquist - Present.

Public Comment: Jim Trout/ cleaning beach at the Village Park
Ralph Drumm/President Wendt parking in the handicap parking spot in front of Farr Center.

CONSENT ADOPTION

Blackmore moved, Lagerquist supported to accept the June 16 minutes as read. Passed. Minutes were read by President Wendt in Clerk Hudson's absence. She arrived at 8:10 p.m. Peterson moved, Blackmore supported to accept the Treasurers report as read. Passed.

The Treasurer asked for the following actions be taken by the Board.

- 1) Transfer \$3500 from General Fund to Cemetery Fund. Blackmore moved, Peterson supported to make the transfer. Passed.
- 2) Move \$3000 from Park Improvement account #751-975 to land survey account # 999-803. Blackmore moved, Lagerquist supported to make the transfer. Passed. Peterson opposed.
- 3) Amend budget as requested by the Treasurer. Blackmore moved, Combs supported. Peterson opposed.

JETTY PROJECT

Village Engineer, Tom Bihlmeyer, presented final bills to the council for payment. Certificate #3-\$33,752.55 for Bonney Brothers and \$1544.04 for Wade Trim /Engineering fees. Blackmore moved, Combs supported to pay Bonney Bros. Passed. Schwing opposed.

Blackmore moved, Combs supported to pay Wade Trim invoice. Passed. Schwing opposed.

Final punch list is being worked on and the final inspection meeting will be Friday July 18 at the Village office. No checks will be written by the clerk or Treasurer until all DNR paper work is complete and punch list is completed.

ATLAS ENERGY

Motion by Blackmore, supported by Hendricks to have President Wendt sign agreement with Atlas Energy to bore drill by the lift station #3 on Milarch and Brandt. Passed.

WW ENERGY

Motion by Blackmore, supported by Combs to have President Wendt sign

amendment to the agreement with WW Energy to angle drill at Brown and Brandt. Passed. Peterson abstains

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

ZA Dana Schindler gave copies of her complete report to the council. A ZBA hearing will be held on July 30/accessory building in the front yard. No land use permits or Special use permits were issued.

Blackmore moved, Combs supported to allow the ZA up too an additional 8 hours of work per week. Passed.

Hendricks moved, Blackmore supported to pay ZA for 4 extra hours she worked. Passed.

PART TIME-MAINTENANCE WORKER

Blackmore moved, Lagerquist supported to hire Dave Kehrner at \$10.00/hr and to have him work up to 25 hours per week. Passed.

SEWER

--report was read by council person Blackmore and given to the clerk for the file. Lighting strike reported at the lagoons-an insurance claim was filed. The problem continues with regard to fresh water being diverted into the sewer system. Commercial customers of the Village system will be getting a letter and info regarding grease going into the system.

STREETS

Quote received from Thompson Brothers (\$16000.00) to repair storm drain line cave in behind school where construction is happening. No action was taken by the council.

Citizen complaint received regarding a sidewalk by Fun Stuff building needing repair and the lack of handicap accessible curbs along M-22.

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Next meeting will be August 4th-7p.m.

PARKS-FARR CENTER

Hendricks reported-

--Council person Combs, Frank English, Mr. Joslyn and the maintenance person installed the new playground animals north of the library parking lot.

- DEQ permit for beach cleaning has been filed by the Village.
- 2 buoys have been ordered for the swim area in the park.
- a machine to paint parking stripes in the Village park is being investigated cost wise.
- Portage Lake Association will donate \$2000.00 toward the cost of blinds for Farr Center hall. Thank-you.
- the bathhouse floor needs some work. Various ways of fixing this are being looked into.
- the feeding of the ducks continues on Dock St. Big problem to residents. Blackmore moved, Combs supported to have President Wendt contact the Village Attorney regarding a letter be sent to the people in violation of the Duck Ordinance. Passed

COMMUNITY PARKS & REC.

Hendricks gave report.

HARBOR COMMISSION

Combs moved, Blackmore supported to have President Wendt sign letter of support from the Village. Passed.

PORTAGE LAKE WETLANDS

Chairperson Schwing reported project is moving forward. Looking into grant money from M-Dot. She asked the whole council for their support with fund raising opportunities.

CEMETERY:

Schwing reported the following:

- newly planted trees are doing great. Thanks again to maintenance person Gronostalski for all his hard work.
- working on creating a sign to advertise the new cemetery being open.

TOWNSHIP REPORT:

Hendricks gave a report.

- Township is looking to expand their building in the near future asked if the Village would think about moving the Village offices into the Township Building.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Onkama School Expansion Project/Baker St.- Easement document Clerk has received the signed document.

NEW BUSINESS

- Council talking about the need to raise taxes in the next fiscal year to run the Village due to the fact the Village has insufficient funds available at this time to do all the work that is needed.
- Congratulations to Council person Combs who was voted Citizen of the Year by the PLA.

CORRESPONDENCE

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- Onekama Township
- Douglas Schultz
- Wade Trim
- DEQ & DNR
- Marcia Korwin

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ralph Drumm-zoning, Jim Trout-zoning, Howard Hughes-ZBA hearing-building a garage and Suzanne Schwing-zoning.

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS

Peterson moved, Hendricks supported to have the newly hired Dave Kehrer apply for a CDL license. Passed. Village will pay the fee.

Marcia Korwin asked the Village to investigate a raised storm drain cover on her property on Main St.

The Onekama Days parade has been cancelled due to the fact with the school construction going on there is no safe alternate route out of town.

Blackmore moved, Peterson supported to waive the fee, for the Onekama School Booster Club, to use the pavilion in the park for an event. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Ruth M. Hudson
Village clerk