

Village Of Onekama Council Meeting Sept.15, 2010

Meeting called to order by President pro-tem Blackmore at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Hendricks, Drumm, Bauer, & Lagerquist /present.
ZA Dana Schindler, Clerk, Ruth Hudson & Treasurer, Nikki Jach/ also present. Schwing-absent.

Also in attendance: Richard Wilson (Village Attorney), Dave Richards (Village accountant) & Jack Burchard (village citizen & condemnation land owner).

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Public Comment: none

CONSENT ADOPTION:

Hendricks moved, Drumm supported to accept the August 27, 2010 Special meeting minutes as presented. M/C. Hendricks moved, Drumm supported to accept the August 18, 2010 regular meeting minutes as presented. M/C.

Lagerquist moved, Bauer supported to accept Treasurers report as presented. M/C.

Treasurer's request:

Bauer moved, Hendricks supported to transfer \$60,000.00 from Equipment Fund savings into 3-\$20,000.00 (six month) CD'S at Frankfort bank. M/C.

Hendricks moved, Drumm supported to pay bills and make the transfers. M/C. Bills questioned: Action Pest Control-next year require contract, Callaway Construct. bill-cabinet doors cost was questioned- Northern Design & Sign-"Caution signs" for waste water needed to be replaced. M/C.

Received monthly bill from Attorney Wilson regarding upgrade-this will be held till project funds are received.

2009- 2010 Audit report

Dave Richards (Village auditor) made the following report: Village received a clean opinion, a clean report, fund balance is healthy and he made no recommended changes. Drumm moved, Lagerquist supported to approve the audit report as presented. M/C.

Continuation of Condemnation/Burchard property

Comments from Atty. Richard Wilson:

Village adopted a resolution at the Aug. 27 Special meeting to make a good faith offer of \$11638.00 to the Burchard Trust. Sept. 10, 2010 village clerk received letter of rejection of this offer and informed Village they were having their own appraisal done. Next step in process was to adopt declaration of taking of an easement due to the refusal of good faith offer. Drumm moved, Hendricks supported to adopt the Declaration of Taking which was signed by the Village President and clerk. Each council member received copy of said declaration & which will be attached to these minutes. Much discussion followed. Roll call vote was taken, all in favor. M/C. In conjunction to the Declaration of Taking, Drumm moved, Lagerquist supported to approve a Notice of Taking, also signed by the council President & clerk to be sent to Jack Burchard/ Trustee of the Burchard Living Trust. A copy of this document was also given to each council person and will be attached to these minutes. M/C.

A check for the amount of \$11638.00 (good faith offer) was given to the Attorney to be placed in escrow with the County Treasurer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

- Written report was given to all council members and is on file.
- The demand for an appeal by Edward & Ann Emenheiser was denied at the Aug. 19, 2010 Onekama Village ZBA meeting.

Portage St./ tar paper house

Complaints continue. Foundation has started to break away. Building now falls within the blight ordinance jurisdiction. Drumm moved, Hendricks supported to have a show cause hearing on this property when all paper

work is in order. M/C. Bauer opposed. Other blight structures (ZA will be shown these other properties) in the Village will be addressed(violation letters sent and show cause hearings will be scheduled) at this time also.

SEWER

--written report of daily maintenance activities on file with clerk.

Blackmore reported the following:

--Pump that was replaced due to lightning strike has problems and is being investigated

--an amended legal service agreement for upgrade project was signed by Blackmore.

STREETS

--Zosel St. storm drain-repair

120 ft. of 18inch pipe needs to be replaced around the area of Dock St.

Onkama Marine to Lake ending up at the Zosel St. walk –in-park. Estimate received from Mc Bride around \$6000.00. Drumm moved, Bauer supported to have repair done. M/C.

--Street Lights-upgrade

Village informed by Consumers Energy that all mercury vapor lights need to be replaced within the next ten years. Village will start saving now in the form of a new budget item for 2011 budget.

--Street Repair

Another budget item for 2011 will be to repair the upper third of Lee Crest.

--Wage increase-part time maintenance person

Drumm moved, Bauer supported to leave as is till the 2011 budget meeting.

PARKS-FARR CENTER

Monument rebuild up-date

Drumm moved, Hendricks supported to have Good-Rich & Kelly start the rebuild as soon as they can. M/C. Cost around \$5348.00.

FC floor refinish

Hendricks moved, Lagerquist supported to have MR. Natural do this work after Jan. 15th. Cost of \$3039.50 Drumm opposed.

Hendricks made contact with GT Janitorial to set up an account and buy in bulk which gives us more control over our paper products(for park bathrooms, FC hall bathroom) and cleaning supplies. Great job-Alice.

Another budget item will be bike racks for the park. A United States bike route has been established and it goes right through Onekama, thus the need for bike racks in the park.

A letter of thanks will be sent to the Leaps& Bounds Early Childhood Education Program for picking up trash in the Village park.

COMMUNITY PARKS & REC.
Report??

CEMETERY REPORT:

Clerk noticed electric bill was higher than usual. Upon investigation a pump pressure switch was found defective and was replaced.

TOWNSHIP REPORT
Blackmore gave report.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Office Hours/Clerk & Treasurer

Drumm moved, Lagerquist supported to set Village Office hours at:
Monday-Tuesday & Wednesday 9a.m. to 2 p.m. M/C.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

none

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Ruth M. Hudson
Village clerk

