

DECEMBER 11, 2018
CITY OF OWEN COMMON COUNCIL

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm at City Hall. Mayor Charles Milliren presided and Carol Devine-City Clerk, served as secretary. Roll call of Alderpersons: Jaffke, Mauel, Martine, Jalling and Wilczek. Wagner was absent. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were: Erik Stinson-DPW and Tim Swiggum-CDC. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

A Martine/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 11/27/18 council meeting pending noted changes.

Public Opinion

Under Public Opinion: Dan Hooks was concerned about the cost of fixing city hall, the shortfall of the city budget, and the concern of the residents next to the railroad in regard to eminent domain. CDC Director Tim Swiggum replied to Dan Hooks stating the land is owned by CN Railroad and Heartland.

Public Present: Travis Rogers-Sentinel & Rural News, Dan Hooks, Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise, Karen Swiggum and Rebecca Swiggum.

City Publications

A Jaffke/Mauel motion to discontinue paying the O-W Enterprise for publications was presented as the City Publication budget has been overspent. Motion passed with all ayes.

Treasurer's Report

A Wilczek/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the November 2018 Treasurer's Report with correction being made.

Public Works Report

A Martine/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the Public Works Report.

Parks & Rec Report

The Parks & Rec, the Will Maki Foundation, Friends of the Old School and the Owen Public Housing Committees met to discuss plans on working together to upgrade Crowley Park. They will meet again in January.

OWPD Commission Report

Chairperson Pam Jaffke reported the Commission had voted the bookkeeping would stay with the City of Owen through 2019. Also, a Letter of Conditional Offer of Employment will be extended to Nhoelito Cortista. A Martine/Wilczek motion and subsequent vote approved the OWPD Commission Report.

Police Report

A Jaffke/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved the Police Report.

McCabe Construction Pay Request #1

A Wilczek/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved Pay Request #1 to McCabe Construction for the 10th Street project. \$30,000 was held back for the paving that will be done in the spring.

CDC Report

CDC Tim Swiggum reported bid opening for the Heartland Rail Spur is next week. Quality Roasting needs more survey work done for their Rail Spur. The Comprehensive Planning process is continuing and a short survey as to what people foresee for the City will be enclosed with the water bills. The 2022 Farm Technology Days has been awarded to Clark County. Owen is in top running as a location. A Mauel/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the CDC report.

Operators Licenses

A Wilczek/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved issuing an Operator License to both Kelly Renderman, Creekside Convenience and Megan Mahl, LAST Ace.

Cancel 12-25-18 Council Meeting

A Mauel/Wilczek motion to forego the 12-25-18 Council Meeting was presented. Motion passed with all ayes.

Disbursements

A Martine/Jaffke and subsequent vote approved to pay disbursements: City Pooled Check #27928-27991. City \$23,945.33; Water \$8,611.62; Sewer \$14,026.46 and TIF #4 \$6,822.03.

Mayor Milliren adjourned the 12-11-18 Open Session at 7:52.

(To be considered for approval at the 1-8-19 Council Meeting. Published 12/24/18)