

FEBRUARY 12, 2019
CITY OF OWEN COMMON COUNCIL

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 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, Wagner and Wilczek. 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 Wilczek /Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 1-22-19 council meeting.

Public Opinion

Under Public Opinion: Dan Hooks announced that he had to do all the snowplowing on 4th Street. Dan also voiced his concern about the Heartland Rail spur stating that the plans he 'had seen' were going to make a lot of people upset when they lose their garages. CDC Swiggum responded that that was just not correct; that Heartland had been working with the property owners to insure they had ample space for their garages. Also, Cedar Corp Engineering should be made aware of the stream under Colman street as this will increase the cost of the Colman Street Project dramatically.

Public Present: Dan Hooks and Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise.

Treasurer's report

A Wilczek/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved the Jan 2019 Treasurer's Report.

Public Works Report

Snow and before that cold. DPW Erik Stinson and his crew had been out removing snow all day. Erik checked in at the meeting to report that they had been pretty much removing snow and more snow. He also said they had had 8 water meter freeze ups during the bitter cold weather prior to all the snow.

Police Report

A Martine/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved the Police Report as submitted by Chief Ibarra.

Temporary License-Lions Ice Fishing Contest

A Wilczek/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the Temporary License for the OW Lions Ice Fishing Contest to be held at the Mill Pond on March 3rd.

Quite Zone Traffic Study

A Mauel/Jalling motion and subsequent vote approved Mayor Milliren to move ahead with the rental of the traffic counter at the cost of \$720. This would be for one week's rental which would allow for the counter to be placed at the three needed crossings for two days each.

Heartland Rail Spur

CDC Tim Swiggum reported the cost of the Rail Spur for Heartland, which will consist of three tracks, totaling \$1,480,000. Of this amount, this City will be responsible for \$1,200,000, which will be covered by TIF #4 funds.

CDC Report

The Owen-Withee Area Chamber of Commerce held their 17th Annual Businessman's Gathering Feb. 4th at Beaver's Bar and Grill in Withee. The speakers were Riley Hebert and Ericka Rossani from the Clark County Young Professionals group. The Annual Business Expo will be held April 6th at the Old School. Ribbon Cutting for the new addition at the Clark County Rehabilitation and Living Center will be on Friday, Feb 15 at 12:30 p.m. A Wilczek/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved the CDC report.

Disbursements

After questions were answered checks #28201 and 28203, a Wilczek/Wagner and subsequent vote approved to pay disbursements: City Pooled Check #28154-28218. City \$89,182.03; Water \$14,872.34; Sewer \$11,183.27 and TIG #4 \$278,258.09.

Items for Future Agendas

Parks & Rec, OW Police Commission update, Personnel Committee

Mayor Milliren adjourned the 2-12-19 Open Session at 7:39.

(To be considered for approval at the 2-26-19 Council Meeting. Published 2-19-19)