

MARCH 27, 2018
CITY OF OWEN COMMON COUNCIL

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 7 pm at City Hall. In the absence of Mayor Milliren, Council President, Pam Jaffke, presided. Terri Ernst, City Clerk served as secretary. Roll call of Alderpersons: Mauel, Renderman, Wilczek, Jaffke, Wagner and Martine. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were: Tim Swiggum-CDC and Carol Devine, Deputy City Clerk. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayoral Appointment of City Clerk

A Mauel/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved the appointment of Carol Devine to City Clerk.

Oath of Office

Terri Ernst administrated the Oath of Office to the new City Clerk, Carol Devine.

Minutes

A Mauel/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes of the 3/13/18 meeting upon the noted correction being made to the CDC report.

Public Opinion

Under Public Opinion; Dan Hooks voiced his opinion that Carol Devine is not a CPA. He also demanded Dennis Looker resign. Public Present: Kitara Mills-Sentinel & Rural News, Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise, Dan Hooks, and Everett Lindgren.

Consideration of Withee PD Proposal

A Mauel/Renderman motion and subsequent vote moved to explore the options of Owen and Withee working together to form a joint police force. A committee will be formed with members of both communities involved.

Consideration of Position Schedule Bond Insurance Renewal

A Wilczek/wagner motion and subsequent vote tabled the Position Schedule Bond Insurance Renewal until further information is available.

Operator's License Application, Joseph Ackerman

A Wilczek/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the Operator's License for Joseph Ackerman.

CDC Report

CDC Tim Swiggum reported on the OW Area Chamber of Commerce Business Expo being held April 7th at the held at Old School. Forty-two booths filled along with five business presenting for the Job Fair. Heartland is meeting next week with a wetland specialist to schedule work on the rail spur. Growin' Owen is moving forward. The American in Bloom grant for this project may be available from CN Railroad for next year also, but we, as a city, must do our part. The old Root Beer stand has been sold. Living Well Mental Health Clinic will be opening soon in the Kulp building on Main Street. April 17th is the date of the meeting for the railroad quiet zone. A Wilczek/Renderman motion and subsequent vote approved the CDC report.

Open new donation account for 'Growin'Owen:

A Mauel/Renderman motion and subsequent vote approved City Clerk Devine to open an account with Time Federal specifically for donations for the Growin' Owen project. This account would enable people to make donations to the project from the Growin' Owen Facebook page. The City Clerk and the Mayor would be the signers for this account.

Disbursements

After a question on ck # 27145 was answered, a Wilczek/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved to pay the disbursements: City Pooled Check #27129-27161. City \$20,914.75; Water \$3,164.54; Sewer \$1,520.12, TIF #3 \$150.00, TIF #4 \$150.00.

Suggested items for future agendas:

Parks update & play equipment

Adjourn

A Renderman/Wilzcek motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 3/27/2018 open session meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Pam Jaffke, Council President

Carol Devine, City Clerk

(To be considered for approval at the 4/10/18 Council Meeting. Published 4/3/18)