

**JULY 9, 2019**  
**CITY OF OWEN COMMON COUNCIL**

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, July 9, 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, Wagner, Jalling and Wilczek. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were Chief Ibarra, Officer Juziak, Brian Chapman-Cedar Corp and Tim Swiggum-CDC.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Minutes**

A Wilczek/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 6-25-19 council meeting pending motion changes being made on the approval of Liquor Licenses.

**Public Opinion**

Under Public Opinion: Joe Pichla voiced his concern over the basement being dug out on the neighboring lot leaving a big hole with no fencing around. The hole has since been filled in and the lot now sits empty.

**Public Present:** Joe Pichla, Ellen Niemi, Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise, Paul Lovinus L662 and Travis & Nicole Rogers-Sentinel & Rural News.

**Insurance Options**

Paul Lovinus L662, representing Teamcare, was here to present information on the union's health insurance. A Martine/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved moving forward with looking into this option in more detail. A Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled with a representative from Teamcare available at that time, also.

**Treasurer's report**

A Wilczek/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved tabling the June 2019 Treasurer's Report until the 7-23-19 Council Meeting due to needed changes.

**Quarterly Payroll Report**

Clerk Devine presented the Quarterly Payroll Report. Inquiries as to Terri Ernst's continued roll with the City answered.

**Final Pay Request-McCabe Construction-East 10<sup>th</sup> St**

Brian Chapman, Cedar Corporation, was on hand to clarify the final pay request from McCabe Construction. Cedar Corps engineers estimated the cost of the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Project at \$161,850.00. The accepted bid for this project was \$148,030.25. With the final payment of \$29,288.58, the total construction cost to the City for the East 10<sup>th</sup> St Project was \$144,926.75, \$3,103.50 under bid. A Martine/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved this payment final payment of \$29,288.58 to McCabe Construction as recommended by Cedar Corporation.

**Personnel Committee Recommendations**

A Jaffke/Wilczek motion and subsequent vote approved the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to accept the resignations of Erik Stinson and Todd Averiel and post both the position of Director of Public Works and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator.

**Offer to Purchase-Lot 9 Countryside Estates**

Jim Bohl would like to make an offer to purchase Lot 9 in the Countryside Estates on which to build a single level duplex. A Mauel/Jaffle motion and subsequent vote approved sending the Offer to Purchase-Lot 9 Countryside Estate to the Planning Commission and then on to Zoning.

**Loan Updates**

Tim Swiggum reported the loan of \$4,084,000 to cover Revenue Bond Series 20219A and 2019B, paying off all the Cities loans, including Heartland, will be finalized July 16, 2019.

**Police Report**

Chief Ibarra presented the June 2019 Police Report. The Chief said he was having difficulty getting applicants for the part-time officer position and is currently looking into hiring Clark County Deputy, Mark Ramberg, to help enforce ordinances.

**CDC Report**

CDC Swiggum noted the editing of the Comprehensive Plan must be completed before the next Council Meeting. July 20th is the date of the Street Dance and Mael's Ice Cream 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party. Right after the Street Dance on the 22nd, the America In Bloom judges will be here. Another successful year for the Owen Jr Fair. In spite of the inclement weather on Sunday, the House of Friends still served enough chicken to cover the cost of their insurance needed to continue their after-school program at the Old School.

**Disbursements**

A Wilczek/Wagner and subsequent vote approved to pay disbursements: City Pooled Check #28592-28630. City \$16,256.09; Water \$50,848.59; Sewer \$4,586.46; and TIF #4 \$7,457.90.

**Items for Future Agendas**

OW Police Commission, Treasurer's Report, Personnel Committee update

Mayor Milliren adjourned the 7-9-19 Open Session Meeting at 8:12.

**(To be considered for approval at the 7-23-19 Council Meeting. Published 7-16-19)**