

AUGUST 13, 2019
CITY OF OWEN COMMON COUNCIL

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 13, 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, Chad Smith, Matt Bottlemy and Dennis Looker, Public Works and Tim Swiggum-CDC.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes

A Wilczek/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 7-23-19 council meeting.

Public Opinion

Under Public Opinion: Cindy Cardinal and Dan Hooks both voiced their opinions.

Public Present: Dan Hooks, John Hansen, Dennis Lulloff, Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise and Nicole Rogers-Sentinel & Rural News.

Treasurer's report

A Martine/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the July 2019 Treasurer's Report.

Public Works Report

Dennis Looker presented the Public Works Report for July. A lot of storm damage clean up done and still being done, plus their regular duties.

Police Report

Chief Ibarra presented the Police Report for July 2019.

Finance Committee Report

Pam Jaffke reported the Finance Committee had met prior to the Council Meeting. Cindy McGinnis, Central States Team Care, was present to answer questions from the Finance Committee and City employees regarding the C6 Teamcare Benefit Plan the city is considering. The Finance Committee will be holding another meeting before making its recommendation to the Council.

Personnel Committee Recommendations

A Wilczek/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to hire Chad Smith as our new Director of Public Works. Matt Bottlemy has been promoted to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and his job, Public Works Maintenance Technician, is to be posted immediately.

Parks & Rec Recommendations

O-W Lion Dennis Lulloff told the Council that the Lions would like to donate money to the City to pay for updates to the open-air shelter at the Mill Pond Park that included enclosing the ceiling, LED lighting and electrical upgrades. A Mauel/Martine motion and subsequent vote gladly accepted this proposal which had been recommended by the Parks & Rec Committee.

Millpond Trail Connector- Recommendation of Bid Award

A Jaffke/Martine motion and subsequent vote approved the recommendation by Brian Chapman of Cedar Corp, to award the Millpond Trail Connector Bid to Haas Sons, Inc for \$77,150.

2020 CDBG Street and Utility Improvements-5th St and Colman St-Professional Design and Construction Engineering Services Proposal

A Wilczek/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the 2020 CDBG Street and Utility Improvements-5th St and Colman St-Professional Design and Construction Engineering Services Proposal to Cedar Corporation for a fee 'Not to Exceed' \$202,140.

2020 CDBG Grant Administration Proposal

A Jalling/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the 2020 CDBG Grant Administration Proposal between Cedar Corp and the City of Owen for \$25,000.

Ad hoc Committee

Bob Wilzcek reported that the Ad hoc Committee is making calls and will have an updated report for the next Council Meeting.

Chief Executive Workshop

A Martine/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved Mayor Milliren to attend the Chief Executive Workshop in Elkhart Lake August 21st through the 23rd.

CDC Report

CDC Swiggum encouraged all that could to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for River Country Coop on Thursday, August 15th at 9:45. Have a very promising land partner in the area who will be attending the executive meeting of the Farm Technology Days Committee on Monday with Tim. Car Show is this Saturday, with Street Dance to follow. The equalized values from the state came out and the city if up from \$49,000,000 to over \$54,000,000. This 9% growth is well above the County average of 3%.

Disbursements

A Martine/Wagner and subsequent vote approved to pay disbursements: City Pooled Check #28980-28777. City \$68,370.82; Water \$25,566.42; Sewer \$47,420.30; and TIF #4 \$1,242,682.86.

Items for Future Agendas

OW Police Commission, Ad hoc committee, Finance

Mayor Milliren adjourned the 8-13-19 Open Session Meeting at 7:43.

(To be considered for approval at the 8-27-19 Council Meeting. Published 8-20-19)