

December 13, 2011 **Common Council Minutes**

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Stephen Heggemeier presided and City Clerk/Treasurer Terri Ernst served as secretary. Present Alderpersons: Hanson, Tolzmann, Lulloff, Lorence, Feldman and Kiviko. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director and Randy Poirier-Police Chief.

Approve Minutes

A Tolzmann/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 11/22/11 meetings.

Treasurer's Report

A Lorence/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved the Treasurer's report for November 2011.

Police Report

A Tolzmann/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the Owen-Withee Police report for November 2011.

Police Agreement

A Lorence/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the Withee Police Service Agreement for 2012 at \$56,279. The Village of Withee passed the Agreement on 12/12/11.

Resignation

A Lorence/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved the letter of resignation from Officer Michael Sybers effective 12/30/11. The Council wishes Mike well in his future plans.

Public Opinion

Present: Pam Jaffke, Penny Funk, Jeremy Haas and Mike Voss-MSA Professional Services, Kris Koplitz, Scott Rabe-Quality Roasting Inc., Lynn Rabe and Jim Weyenberg. No Public opinion.

Babysitting Course

Penny Funk was present to report that herself and other local volunteers would like to establish a babysitting course that is more affordable for kids in our area to take. The Red Cross babysitting course costs each student \$85. The group needs to raise a one time start up fee of \$375 and have \$200 yet to raise. The Safe Sitter babysitting course will cost students only \$15. A Lulloff/Kiviko and subsequent vote approved to contribute \$200 to the group to get the program going.

Change Order #2

A Lulloff/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved Change Order #2 to Haas Sons for \$501.76.

Pay Request #4

A Feldman/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved the final Pay Request #4 to Haas Sons for \$17,149.00.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum presented to the Council an email from James Louks with FiberPop and also David Konwinski with Onsite Power Systems. Both investors continue working towards developing their projects.

Consent to Assignment

Scott Rabe of Quality Roasting, Valders, WI and Lynn Rabe and John Weyenberg were present and reported to the Council their plans for the soybean plant. They intend to get it repaired and into production as soon as possible. Kris Koplitz expressed her concern with the problems of the plant and the smell within the last year. Scott Rabe described how they plan to change the flow of exhaust by adding a fresh air intake to push the exhaust from the processing unit into air above the plant. In the next week, they will be running the processor to evaluate and repair for production. A Lulloff/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the Consent to Assignment from Citizens State Bank of Loyal to

Quality Roasting, the agreement to eventually build a rail spur.

Building Inspection Services

A Lorence/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved to accept the proposal for building inspection services from Bob Christensen of CSC Building Inspection.

Election Workers

A Tolzmann/Hanson motion and subsequent vote approved the appointments of election workers from the list presented and a .25 raise making the hourly rate paid to chief inspectors \$8.25 and poll works \$7.75 for the election term of 2012-2013.

Lease

Clerk Ernst report that Royce Wallenhorst has 1 more year on his land lease and that the City will seek bids in August of 2012.

GASB 54

A Tolzmann/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved the new policy for GASB 54 Fund Balance Reporting, as recommended by the City Auditor.

12/27/11 Meeting

A Tolzmann/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved to cancel the 12/27/11 Council meeting and for the Clerk's office to pay bills for the remaining of 2011.

License Application

A Lulloff/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the Operator's License Applications to Sherri Krambeer and Frank Pagel.

Meeting Time

A Feldmann/Hanson motion and subsequent vote approved to change the Council meeting times from 7 pm to 5:30 pm now through March 2012.

Disbursements

A Tolzmann/Hanson motion and subsequent vote approved paying the following checks, City Pooled 43641-43821: City Total \$55,631.38; Water Total \$13,429.65; Sewer Total \$8,998.47 and TIF #4 \$126.00.

Adjourn

A Lorence/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 12/13/11 open session meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Stephen M. Heggemeier, Mayor

Terri Ernst, City Clerk/Treasurer

(To be considered for approval at the 1/10/2012 Council Meeting. Published 12/21/2011.)