June 12, 2012 City Council Minutes

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 5:30 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 was: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director and Randy Poirier-Police Chief.

Approve Minutes

A Tolzman/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes with changes noted for the 5/22/12 meeting.

Treasurer's Report

A Lorence/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the May 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Police Report

A Lulloff/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved the May 2012 Owen-Withee Police Report.

Public Opinion

Present: Linda Wyeth-Freelance Writer, Bob Kroll, Norma Kodl, Bob Christensen-CSC Building Inspections and Mike Voss-MSA Professional Services. Mary Lynn Kiviko reminded the Council that the two present towers in the City should receive a copy of the new wireless telecommunication tower ordinance. Clerk Ernst has already sent them out.

Antenna

Mark Renderman with OWC Fire Association was not present.

Building Inspection

Robert Christensen-CSC Building Inspections reported that he has met with Edward Meier and inspected his home at 737 E. 3rd Street, Parcel #265.0030.000. Robert's conclusion is that the repairs needed to bring the house to 'livable' standards, will exceed 50% of the assessed value of the house, recommending the house be condemned. A Feldman/Lorence motion and subsequent motion approved to declare the property a public nuisance and to have CSC Building Inspection send a letter to Mr. Meier to have the house torn down, demolished and removed, have land restored to original state all by July 31, 2012.

WWTF Plan and Bidding

Mike Voss of MSA Professional Services was present to update the Council on the status of the Wastewater Treatment Facility Project. A Tolzmann/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved to have MSA submit the project plans and specs (plans and specifications based on the DNR approved facility plan) to DNR for approval and to prepare final plans and specs for bidding.

Mobile Food Vendor

Panda Gardens would like to bring their Mobile restaurant to Owen one day a week. The Council wants to know which day and what time of day they are interested in. Clerk Ernst reported they have submitted their State License and Liability Insurance information. A Tolzmann/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved to table the issue until the next meeting to obtain more information.

DRC

Tim Swiggum-CDA Director reported the last Downtown Revitalization meeting did not have a quorum. A September 8th Street dance in Owen is still on schedule with the local bars pitching in for the cost of the music. The Woodland Hotel held an Open House on June 2nd with over 200 in attendance. June Roohr gave tours of the Hotel the entire day. Roger Wallace continues to work towards a Bed and Breakfast at the Woodland Hotel. Possibly Roger may open the bar during the Owen Junior Fair.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum reported that he has sent in the paperwork for grant reimbursement today. He's hoping for reimbursement between \$170,000 and \$190,000. Work continues with Onsite Power with a second business interested in the Southeast portion of the Owen Manufacturing Site. The dollar store real estate agent should be visiting the city in the next week or so to determine a feasible site for them.

Licenses

A Lorence/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the applications for Operators' Licenses to the following: Brenda Jenness, April Rohland, Abby Pippin, Jennifer Pippin, Gena Leonhard, Yvonne Royem, Clarence Gollhardt, Louann Hanson, Allan Hanson, Theresa Frankewicz, Lee Kenney, Sandra Beaudin, Scott Jalling, Lori Jalling, and Tonya Bender.

Disbursements

Questions were answered for checks #44517, 44543 and 44555. A Lorence/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved paying the following checks, City Pooled 44472-44559: City Total \$58,429.07; Water Total \$15,262.77; Sewer Total \$11,897.71.

Adjourn

A Hanson/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 6/12/12 open session meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Mayor, Stephen M. Heggemeier Terri Ernst, City Clerk/Treasurer

(To be considered for approval at the 6/26/2012 Council Meeting. Published 6/20/2012.)