

July 10, 2012 **City Council Minutes**

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, July 10, 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, and Kiviko. Absent was Feldman. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director and Randall Poirier-Police Chief.

Approve Minutes

A Lorence/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 6/26/12 meeting.

Treasurer's Report

A Tolzmann/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the June 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Police Report

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

Public Opinion

No public present.

City Property

An offer to purchase City Property in the East Industrial Park was received from Steve Bohl for \$4,000. The actual lot has not been decided upon. A Tolzmann/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved to send the offer to purchase to the Planning Commission at a meeting on July 18, 2012 at 7:30 pm.

Personnel Committee

A Personnel Committee meeting was held prior to tonight's Council meeting. Clerk Ernst presented to the Committee reports regarding wages, health insurance and wage packages. Chairperson Mel Lorence reported that the employees should expect to pay the increase in the health insurance renewal for 2013 and cut backs were discussed along with wage freezes. The Committee will not meet again until September. Health Insurance renewal numbers are expected mid-October.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum reported: The old dimestore building continues to be worked on; The Woodland is looking to possibly lease out the restaurant; The fertilizer plant continues with negotiations with Marvin Matejka; James Louks continues to move forward in establishing a loan to the City; David Konwinski is presently working on contracts and plans to be in Owen the later part of July; The interested realtor for the dollar store should be coming to town in the next week or two to make a final decision on the location of the store; Quality Roasting is looking to install some new storage bins; Tim will be gone 3 days to a Score workshop in New Orleans in August.

Payroll Report

The payroll report will be presented at the next Council meeting.

Operator Licenses

A Lorence/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the following Operator License Applications: Gary Smith, Jennifer Quinter and Amanda Boening.

Disbursements

Questions were answered for checks #44623 and 44650. The disbursement for a pump repair caused by a lightening strike should be submitted to the Insurance Company. A Lorence/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved paying the following checks, City Pooled 44602-44660: City Total \$39,229.84; Water Total \$70,613.11; Sewer Total \$10,401.37.

Adjourn

A Tolzmann/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 7/10/12 open session meeting at 6:14 p.m.

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

(To be considered for approval at the 7/24/2012 Council Meeting. Published 7/18/2012.)