June 25, 2013 City Council Minutes

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 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 were: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director and Brad Gokey-Sewer Treatment Plant Operator.

Minutes

A Lorence/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 6/11/13 meeting with changes noted.

Public Opinion

Present: Jeremy Haas-MSA Professional Services, Steve and Jessica Bohl, Mark Renderman, Steve Travis, Phil Greschner and Kim Sybers.

Pay Request #8

A Lorence/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved to table pay request #8, to Staab Construction, until the next meeting.

Lateral Connection

A Lulloff/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the proposal from Visu-Sewer to reinstate the sewer lateral connection at 624 e. 3rd Street.

Resolution #2013-28

A Lorence/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2013-28 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report presented by Brad Gokey.

Bridge Aid

A Lorence/Hanson motion and subsequent vote approved to apply for federal aid to replace the culvert over Brick Creek on Willow Rd.

Policy

A Tolzmann/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the Post Issuance Compliance Policy for Quarles and Brady.

City Property

The Planning Commission met on June 18, 2013. The Commission recommends to the Council to sell Lot #2 of the East Industrial Park to Steve Bohl for a mini storage building. The Commission vote 3 ayes and 1 no to the project. The Council presented their concern to Mr. Bohl regarding the placement of mini-storage on lot #2. The Council recommended purchasing Lot #3 for \$1.00. The City will allow what fill they have available to fill in the lot. Mr. Bohl was in agreement with the Council's recommendation. A Hanson/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved to sell Mr. Bohl Lot #3 for \$1.00 and provide fill that is available from the City.

Rail Road Proposal

A proposal was presented from the railroad regarding the 10.3 acres (approx.) from Cnty. X to the library, west to Lehnen Street and including Lehnen St. This land would be used to continue the Popple River Trail and connect it to the O-W Bike trail. This land also includes the Depot located along the alley at 5th St. All of this property is offered at \$25,000 cost to the city. The city would also receive \$80,000 to accept ownership of the "Highbridge" that crosses the tracks on West St. The proposal states that the railroad would replace all deck planks of the bridge that had not recently been replaced and to repair the handrail. The council would like to see all of the deck replaced as well as the handrail system. Wording would be needed to require any future changes to the bridge required by railroad repairs would be at the cost of the railroad. CDA Director Swiggum will report back at the next meeting if the changes are acceptable.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum reported that the CDA had met the previous week with James Louks. Louks has reported that he is moving forward. The planning stages will be next and a schedule of activity will be sent. The Family Dollar continues negotiations with Millers on the property. The building proposed has been moved to the West on the property and needs to be accepted by the seller. The Downtown Revitalization Committee has been busy planning for the Car Show on August 17th and the Indian Summer Fest to be held Sept. 7.

Movie Night

A License needs to be purchased in order to show free movies at the Old School on Thursday nights. Tim Swiggum is looking into it and will talk to the House of Friends.

Fair Event License

Mark Renderman explained to the Council that the Fire District is insured to serve beer and are covered by workmans comp. and liability insurance.

Liquor Licenses

A Tolzmann/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the following applications for with stipulation must pay personal property taxes in full before the license can be issued. Liquor Licenses to: Class A Beer license: Creekside Convenience, Scott & Lori's Family Foods and OW Sports & Liquor; Class A Liquor: OW Sports & Liquor; Class B Combination Liquor: OW Vets Club, Pippin's Pub & Grub, Mike's, The Thirsty Squirrel, The Woodland Hotel and Meadowview Golf Course.

Operator Licenses

A Lulloff/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the following Operator License Applications: April Rohland, Catherine Jeske, Brenda Jenness, Sandra Beaudin, Canice Parnewicz, Abby Pippin, Jennifer Pippin, Louann Hanson, Allan Hanson, Theresa Frankewicz, Lee Kenney, Kayleigh Pfeffer, Scott Jalling, Lori Jalling, Tonya Bender, Kaylee Persinger, Jenny Quinter, Corrie Bottlemy, Sara Koller, Veronica Pfeifer. The following are approved pending back ground checks by the Police Chief: Ginette Wendland, Susan Infelise, Jule Chase.

Disbursements

A Tolzmann/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved disbursements. City Pooled 20611-20643; City Total \$35,267.84; Water Total \$2,459.14; Sewer Total \$477,159.06; TIF #3 \$60.00; TIF #4 \$60.00.

Adjourn

A Kiviko/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 6/25/13 open session meeting at 7:05 p.m.

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

(To be considered for Approval at the 7/9/2013 Council Meeting. Published 7/3/2013.)