

August 27, 2013 **City Council Minutes**

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 27, 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, Lulloff, Lorence, Feldman and Kiviko. Absent was Dan Tolzmann. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present was: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director.

Minutes

A Tolzmann/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 8/13/13 meeting with changes noted.

Public Opinion

Present: Charles Milliren and Curtiss Deering. Charles Milliren requested that the four way stop sign on Altenburg & Bjornstad be reduced to two stop signs on Bjornstad and allowing through traffic on Altenburg. Council will address this at their next meeting. Curtiss Deering requested the Council make a decision regarding if he can set up his Brat Stand business in the Mill Pond Park. Council will address this at their next meeting.

Consideration of Police Dept. Wages

A Feldman/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved the recommendations made by the Personnel Committee to increase wages to Police Chief Andrew Schade to \$20/hour and Officer John Stubbe to \$18.03/hour. The Personnel Committee met on August 14, 2013 and conducted reviews on both.

Resolution #2013-30

A Hanson/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2013-30 authorizing the sale of Lot 3 in the East Industrial Park to Steve and Jessica Bohl.

Insurance Renewal

A Lulloff/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the renewal package from the League of WI Municipal Insurance.

Car Show Update

Tim Swiggum presented a report showing the expenses and revenues for Owen's First Annual Car Show held August 17, 2013. Swiggum reported the car show and burn out contest were a huge success and was well attended. Concerns were expressed regarding the high price of the band, businesses on Central Avenue were blocked off and the holes created on Madsen Street from the burn out contest. All concerns will be taken into consideration for next years event.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum reported that he has had continuing conversations with Jim Louks as well as Dave Konwinski.

The Family Dollar project is looking at a new site in Owen just west of the OW High School. Indian Summer Fest will be held September 7, 2013 including a "battle of the bands" event that has gained a lot of attention and participants. Karen Swiggum's new business "Ramblin Rose" is open for business. The CDA is holding a Business Growth Workshop on September 12, 2013 from 9 am to Noon at the Old School

Consideration of bids

A Feldman/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved for the Parks & Rec. Committee to move forward to re-roof the Mill Pond Park buildings and get bids. Parks & Rec. met on August 6, 2013 and also discussed Crowley Park and more signage on Cnty. Hwy. X, railroad bridge and goose control.

Disbursements

A Tolzmann/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved disbursements. City Pooled 20811-20856; City Total \$23,868.19; Water Total \$2,402.42; Sewer Total \$2,303.15; TIF 3 \$9,244.37; TIF 4 \$56,786.88.

Adjourn

A Kiviko/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 8/27/13 open session meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Stephen M. Heggemeier, Mayor

Terri Ernst, City Clerk/Treasurer

(To be considered for Approval at the 9/10/2013 Council Meeting. Published 9/4/2013.)