

November 12, 2013 **City Council Minutes**

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 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, Gary Smith-DPW, and Andrew Schade-Chief of Police.

Minutes

A Tolzmann/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 10/22/13 meeting.

Treasurer's Report

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

Police Report

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

Police Service Agreement

A Lorence/Hanson motion and subsequent vote approved the Owen-Withee Police Service Agreement for 2014 for \$58,250 with the changes noted made to paragraph A. and C.

Public Works

Gary Smith reported that the department has closed up all the park buildings and campground for the winter. They are working on getting the leaves out of the gutters and then they will sweep the streets. A Lulloff/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved the October Public Works Report.

Pay Request

A Lulloff/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved Pay Request #10 to Staab Construction for \$103,100.

Wakefield Discharge

A Feldman/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved to table the issue until more information is gathered.

Public Opinion

No public present.

Consideration of Purchase

A Lulloff/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the contract to purchase 5 parcels including the wooden bridge from Wisconsin Central LTD.

Auditor Proposal

A Hanson/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved to table the contract for auditing services.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum reported that the Downtown Revitalization Committee will be selling raffle tickets for the American eagle carving done by Craig Syryczuk's Carvings during the Owen Indian Summer Fest. It will be raffled off at the April 2014 Owen-Withee-Curtiss EMS dance. The discount store has now opened in the 11th Frame building. The DNR would like to see the clean up completed at the OMI building site. Owner Marvin Matejka owes the City money. The Eckert Door building has an accepted verbal offer. The building may potentially hold up to three businesses. The Time Federal building is now up for sale and is available for viewing on Monday the 18th if any of the Council would like to see it.

Parks & Rec.

Chairman Dennis Lulloff reported that the roof project at the Mill Pond Park has been completed on the 3 buildings. The project total came to \$18,850 paid for by the 2005 Parks budget.

Disbursements

A Tolzmann/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved disbursements. City Pooled 21063-21159; City Total \$57,492.66; Water Total \$57,492.66; Sewer Total \$18,896.05; TIF #3 \$80.00; TIF #4 \$80.00.

Motion to Convene into Closed Session

A Kiviko/Feldman motion and subsequent vote approved to convene into closed session at 6:45 p.m., for wages/employment/benefits/evaluation for 2014 City General Budget: Under WI S. S. 19.85(1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or excercises responsibility

Meeting Reconvened to Open Session at 8:30 p.m.

Consideration of actions in Closed Session

The Council made no changes to the 2014 Budget as no changes were made to the wages/benefits that were set at the 10/16/13 Personnel Meeting.

Adjourn

A Lorence/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 11/12/13 open session meeting at 8:37 p.m.

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

(To be considered for Approval at the 11/26/2013 Council Meeting. Published 11/20/2013.)