

May 27, 2014 **City Council Minutes**

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The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 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, Pfeffer and Kiviko. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were: Tim Swiggum-CDA Director and Andrew Schade-Chief of Police.

Minutes

A Tolzmann/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 5/13/14 & 5/20/14 meeting.

Public Opinion

Present: Mike Lensmire and Cassie Kurek with Clifton Larson Allen and Cindy Cardinal-O-W Enterprise. Alderman Tolzmann reported that the walking trail is being maintained nicely including the garbage cans.

2013 Financial Statements

Mike Lensmire and Cassie Kurek with Clifton Larson Allen presented to the Council results of City's 2013 audit. Lensmire reported from two presentation sheets, one of governmental funds and one of the proprietary funds. A Pfeffer/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved the City's 2013 Financial Statements.

Traffic Grant Revisions

A Lorence/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved the revision to the Traffic Grant. Chief Schade explained that the cost of the used Marathon County Squad car only came to \$2,000 rather than \$4,000 which was previously stated. In order to receive the \$4,000 grant the City must match funds spent of \$5,000. Those other costs will consist of a new radio, 3 body cameras and LED lights for the future squad car.

Officer Training

A Lulloff/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved for Officer John Stubbe to attend the 60 hour training for the GREAT (Gang resistance education assistance training) Program next month. The training grant is funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance

Mayoral Appointments

A Pfeffer/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the Mayoral appointment of Art Feldman to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an alternate and the County as needed as Health Officer and to remove from the Tree Committee, Brad Gokey.

Map Project

The Owen-Withee Area Development Corporation is sponsoring an Owen-Withee Local Area Map project. Purchasing an ad for \$50 will show the location of the Owen City Hall on the map. A Lulloff/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved for City Hall to run an ad for \$50.

CDA Report

CDA Director Tim Swiggum reported that Louks has run into a delay with the bank. The Dollar General Agreement has been signed, sent in and breaking ground will occur this fall. The Dollar General will submit their plans to the Council prior to construction. The DRC Community Garden is plowed but not tilled.

Parks & Rec.

Dennis Lulloff, Chairperson, reported the Parks & Rec. Committee met on May 13th. Mill Pond Park Improvements were discussed, which included upgrade compressor for walk-in cooler by Frankewicz on June 1st, more picnic tables, move horse shoe pits, just to name a few. A Youth Baseball Team is

interested in utilizing the baseball field at Crowley Park and Oryn would contribute to re-do the infield area.

Disbursements

Questions were answered for checks 21875, 21883, 21898 and 21905. Also Mayor Heggemeier reported that the City Attorney's bill for the month of April has gone up mostly due to the complaint letter submitted by Patrick Pfeffer on April 8, 2014, prior to him taking the oath of office as Alderman for Ward 1. A Tolzmann/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved disbursements: City Pooled 21864-21907; City \$29,947.96; Water \$5,051.71; Sewer \$2,094.20; TIF 3 \$21.00; TIF 4 \$129.00.

Adjourn

A Kiviko/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 5/27/14 open session meeting at 7:32 p.m.

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

(To be considered for Approval at the 6/10/2014 Council Meeting. Published 6/4/2014.)