

January 13, 2015 **City Council Minutes**

JANUARY 13, 2015

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 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, Erik Stinson-PW and Sergeant Stubbe.

Minutes

A Pfeffer/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes for the 12/9/14 meeting.

Treasure's Report

A Tolzmann/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved the Treasurer's Report.

Police Report

Presented to the Council was the 2014 Annual Police Report. Sergeant Stubbe answered questions. A Lorence/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the Police Report. Also Pfeffer relayed a message from Chief Schade that from now on he wants to deal with the entire Council when addressing job performance, department employees and conduct. Chief Schade repeatedly feels he is being treated unfairly by specific people. Mayor Heggemeier said those issues are first handled by the personnel committee. If they are resolved, the issue does not go on to the Council. If they are not resolved, then the Council becomes involved.

Public Works Report

Erik Stinson-PW's. Tolzmann reported that the walking trail behind Creekside is covered with snow cleared off the Creekside parking lot. Tolzmann said it sure would be nice to be able to walk the trail. It is a year round trail. Eric will work with Jeff Hill on the issue for next winters snowfall. There was a complaint about snow banks piled in front of mailboxes after the streets are cleared. The City tries to avoid this but they will drive around later and try to clear any snow blocking mailboxes. Christmas lights are coming down. This week there have been two water main breaks, one at Kerry and one near Larson's, and 1 homeowner service line has frozen. The culvert project needs to be completed by April 1st. The project will begin soon. Hanson asked about Lift Station #1. Ice skating rink is being used quite frequently. Hanson asked about the as builts from the wastewater treatment plant project. Clerk Ernst will email Mike Voss tomorrow.

PW's Truck

A Pfeffer/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved to purchase the 2007 International Truck from Mid-State Truck Service for \$33,669.50 and will be paid for by using reserved funds set aside for this purchase.

1968 Ford

A Pfeffer/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved to put out for bids the 1968 Ford dump truck.

Public Present

Linda Wyeth-Sentinel & Rural News, Kelly Knight, Jackie Reinke, Pam Jaffke and Cindy Cardinal, O-W Enterprise. Jackie Reinke has been asked several times by members of the community why the police door was changed, why was it replaced, who installed it, was the Council aware of it being replaced, who paid for it and where is the old door? It is unknown where the old door is. Hanson reported Andy told him the door was not a secure door. Pfeffer assisted with installing the door only.

Resol. #2014-10

A Lorence/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2014-10 amending the 2014 budget for the Enbridge Grant for the Police Department.

Resol. #2014-11

A Tolzmann/Pfeffer motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2014-11 amending the 2014 budget for the WDOT grant for the Police Department.

Resol. #2015-1

A Pfeffer/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2015-1 Fund Balances retroactive as of 12/31/14 of \$126,914.78.

Resol. #2015-2

A Pfeffer/Lorence motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2015-2 to amend the 2015 Budget for the Willow Road Culvert Project.

4th Qtr. OT

A Pfeffer/Lulloff motion and subsequent vote approved the 4th Quarter Overtime Report for 2014.

CDA Report

Tim Swiggum reported that there has been a new interested party in the OMI building which could bring 40 jobs, the RR building is empty and needs to come down, there are now 2 survey quotes to complete the surveys for the Taylor property and Master Packaging property. Next week will be a meeting with a party regarding the Agri-business Park. There are new Woodland Hotel owners. Pfeffer thanked Tim Swiggum for getting all the ads for the new Owen-Withee area map being prepared by the Owen Community Development Corporation.

Disbursements

Questions were answered for Check numbers 22648, 22650, 22681, 22682, 22683, 22691, 22718, 22721, 22748, 22749, 22756. A Lulloff/Kiviko motion and subsequent vote approved to pay the disbursements: City Pooled Check#22624-22766. City \$111,745.93, Water \$39,832.92, Sewer \$8,673.94, Lake \$410.00 and TIF #4 \$190.00.

Adjourn

A Kiviko/Tolzmann motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 1/13/15 open session meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Stephen M. Heggemeier, Mayor

Terri Ernst, City Clerk/Treasurer

(To be considered for Approval at the 1/27/2015 Council Meeting. Published 1/21/2015.)