APRIL 25, 2017

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 7 pm at City Hall. Mayor Charles Milliren presided and City Clerk Terri Ernst served as secretary. Roll call of Alderpersons: Mauel, Renderman, Wilczek, Jaffke, Wagner, Knight. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present was: Tim Swiggum-CDC.

Minutes

A Jaffke/Knight motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes of the 4/11/17 & 4/18/17 meetings.

Police Training

A Knight/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved the Police Dept. Training Report.

Public Opinion

Public Present: Nicole Shattuck & Travis Rogers-Sentinel & Rural News, Melvyn Lorence, Rocky Lehr, Mike Grobe and Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise.

Board of Review

Clerk Ernst reported that the annual Board of Review for the City of Owen will be held on May 10, 2017 from 9 am to 11 am. Open Book will occur on Monday, May 8, 2017 from 2 pm to 4 pm, which allows citizens to speak directly to the City Assessor at City Hall. Four council members plus the City Clerk are needed for BOR. Terri Ernst, Bob Wilczek, Charlie Milliren, Allen Wagner and John Mauel will participate in the BOR.

219 E. 3rd Street

Clerk Ernst reported that no one has filed a petition against the Raze Order that was delivered on May 3, 2017. A Knight/Renderman motion and subsequent vote approved to have Erik Stinson-DPW obtain quotes for tearing the home down and talk to Mark Renderman-OWC Fire Chief about removing the house.

Residency Requirement

Discussion took place regarding the Residency Requirement for Emergency Personnel. Alderperson Pamela Jaffke and Clerk Ernst had contacted other municipalities to inquire what their policies are. Most have a 15-mile requirement and one has none. Chief Schade brought up the Emergency Management Plan and stated those listed in it are considered emergency personnel and had to abide by the requirement. Clerk Ernst proposed she would like to get confirmation of that from a legal source. A Knight/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved Clerk Ernst to get clarification if those listed in the plan are considered emergency personnel.

Fireworks

Rock Lehr with the Owen Jr. Fair Committee reported that with the construction going on at Kerry Ingredients, the fireworks show for the Owen Jr. Fair will have to be moved to the bridge on the north side of the Mill Pond. A Mauel/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved to allow the fireworks show from the north mill pond bridge using protection to cover the bridge.

Resolution

A Mauel/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved Resolution #2017-7 for Trail Grant application written by CDC Tim Swiggum.

CDC Report

CDC Tim Swiggum reported he attended a strong towns seminar in Eau Claire. The TEA-Grant application has been submitted for the Rail for the Heartland Development Project. Bob Kulp is helping in getting tax credits for the Heartland Project which was turned down by the WEDC. The annual CCEDC dinner meeting was held with a nice attendance. Swiggum is working with Xcel and WE Energies making sure of the availability to the Agri-Business Park. A Knight/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved the CDC report.

Disbursements

A Mauel/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved to pay the disbursements: City Pooled Check #25948-26015. City \$43,964.07; Water \$14,790.72; Sewer \$9,084.56; TIF #3 \$400.00; TIF #4 \$650.00

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Charles Milliren Mayor	Terri Frnst City Clerk/Treasurer

A Knight/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 4/25/17 open session meeting at 7:36 p.m.