

AUGUST 8, 2017

The City of Owen Common Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 8, 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, and Wagner. Ward 1 position if vacant. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. Also present were: Tim Swiggum-CDC and Erik Stinson-DPW.

Minutes

A Wilczek/Renderman motion and subsequent vote approved the minutes of the 7/25/17 meeting.

Treasure's Report

A Jaffke/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved the Treasurer Reports for July.

Public Works

A Wilczek/Wagner motion and subsequent vote approved the public works report presented by Erik Stinson for 7/12/17 to 8/4/17.

Police Report

A Wagner/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved the July police report for Owen and Withee.

Police Job

A Jaffke/Renderman motion and subsequent vote approved to advertise for a police officer on Wilenet.org only.

Chief Payroll

A Jaffke/Mauel motion and subsequent vote approved to deny Chief Schade's 3-hour trip to Stevens Point.

Outside Employment

A Renderman/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved outside employment to Dulcie Lilly as a Clark County Reserve Deputy.

Exit Interviews

A Mauel/Wilczek motion and subsequent vote approved to create a policy for the Personnel Committee to conduct exit interviews anytime an employee leaves the City

Public Opinion

Public Present: Kitara Mills-Sentinel & Rural News, Jackie Reinke, Jason Thornton, Grace Dale, Mark Hanson and Cindy Cardinal-OW Enterprise. Grace Dale read her public opinion stating she is disheartened by the way Owen police officers are treated. Mark Hanson announced that Dulcie Lilly is leaving the City. Jackie Reinke also spoke her public opinion stating that when it comes to the residents of the City and the City police department, it's a two-way street. There's more to it than one side of the story.

Resignation

A Mauel/Wilczek motion and subsequent vote approved the resignation letter from Ward 1 Alderwoman Kelly Knight.

CDC Report

CDC Tim Swiggum reported the Car Show is coming up on August 19th. The DRC has been working on the final arrangements. Heartland's rail spur is waiting for DNR approval. The rail grant has been cut in half from \$240,000 to \$120,000 due to the retained jobs counting at \$1,250 per job instead of \$5,000. TIF 4 will have a tax base of \$10 million for 2017. Swiggum has a meeting with Xcel energy tomorrow at City Hall. The America in Bloom program has been put on the back burner for now. Librarian Lorelee Peterson is considering a Wi-Fi Park across from the library. A Jaffke/Renderman motion and subsequent vote approved the CDC report.

Future Agendas

Mayoral appointments. Review Officer Boie's exit interview, conducted by Chief Schade, in closed session.

Disbursements

Question Check 26350. A Mauel/Jaffke motion and subsequent vote approved to pay the disbursements: City Pooled Check #26325-26380. City \$73,045.16; Water \$10,586.08; Sewer \$2,034.28, TIF #4 \$5,000.

Adjourn

A Wagner/Wilczek motion and subsequent vote approved to adjourn the 8/8/17 open session meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Charles Milliren, Mayor

Terri Ernst, City Clerk/Treasurer