

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – September 15, 2016 - GATEWAY- 5:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Ladd Wendelin called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

### **Roll Call of the Members of the City Council**

Present: Josh Williby, Brandon Oien, Rusty Addleman and Jim Marchello.

Absent: Marilyn Horn

**Others Present:** City Attorney Steve Hirsch (5:10 pm), City Administrator Troy Haas, City Foreman David Sporn, Willard Perrin, Steve Zodrow, Jeremy Tally, Steve Haynes with the Oberlin Herald, Marilyn Black, Heather McDougal, Lisa Votopka, John Gizzarelli and City Clerk Sandy Rush.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – Heather McDougal thanked the Council and City Crew for their support at the Sappa for the Sappa Fest.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of minutes - for September 1, 2016 regular Council meeting.

Appropriation Ordinance - Payment of Bills.

Williby moved, second by Oien, to approve the Consent Agenda. **Motion** carried.

**Meeting Times & Dates for Council in November** – After a discussion about scheduling conflicts in November for meetings; Williby moved, second by Addleman to change the meetings to Wednesdays, Nov. 2, Nov. 16 and Nov. 30 and in December, on Thursdays, Dec. 15 and an end-of-the year meeting Dec. 29. **Motion carried.** The Nov. 30 meeting is in place of the first meeting in December. Councilman Marchello will be available at all the October and November meetings by phone.

**Fence Ordinance** – City Foreman Sporn presented a proposed ordinance regulating fences, using information gathered from several towns around. He said there were two reasons needed for this: 1) Access to utilities and 2) To keep the view clear at corners. After a discussion, Hirsch recommends the Council take it home and examine. They all agreed that one might be needed. Hirsch said Oakley has a simple ordinance that he would be sending to them for review.

**Vacuum Trailer** – Sporn presented a variety of quotes for a new or used vacuum trailer for the Council to base a decision on. After a long discussion, Oien moved, second by Williby to give Sporn permission to purchase a vacuum trailer for a cost of not more than \$54,000. **Motion carried.**

**Cobblestone Parking** – Lisa Votapka of the Cobblestone Motel asked the Council where it would be permissible for the truckers to park since there was an ordinance against parking on the streets and it was not allowed in the Gateway parking lot. It was agreed by the Council to allow parking on the millings west of the Gateway. In the winter they would revisit the subject.

**Discussion with CVB** – After a brief discussion, the Council agreed, as originally approved to allow the Convention Visitors Bureau to hire a part time marketer to work under the museum and to be funded by the guest tax.

**Administrators Report**

- He is now working out of the Gateway
- CVB working on Way-Finding signs and Smoky Hills promo video
- Attended Mayors meeting in Colby
- Attended Work Comp meeting in Goodland
- Police Report attached

**Public Works Report**

- City Foreman report attached

**Treasurers Report**

- Sales Tax and cash flow report attached

**Other Reports**

- Councilman Addleman asked if there is an ordinance for parking vehicles in yards and was informed there are none. He also reported the airport is close to completion.
- Councilman Marchello reported EDC is doing good things for the town.
- Councilman Oien thanked the crew for making the Sappa Park look great for the Sappa Fest and the town clean-up after the storms.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:30 PM Oien moved, second by Addleman to adjourn. **Motion carried.**

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**Sandy Rush, City Clerk**

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**Ladd Wendelin, Mayor**