

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – May 19, 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** - Rusty Addleman and Brandon Oien, Jim Marchello and Josh Williby who left at 6:20 pm. **Majority of the Body Present.**

**Absent** – Marilyn Horn

**Others Present** – City Attorney Steve Hirsch, Police Chief Troy Haas, City Foreman David Sporn, Water Supervisor Willard Perrin, Anna Keena with the League of Kansas Municipalities, Steve Haynes with the Oberlin Herald, Marilyn Black, Mike Dempewolf, Lavern Rippe, Shayla Williby, Sarah Howland, Susan May, Erika Fortin, Valisha Raile, Amanda Sowers, Rick and Dori Pauls, Abby Hissong, Kandi Ketterl, Deb Klima, Brent Stallman, Carey Miller, Keri Bryan, Halley Robinson, Rick Salem, David Murray, Jim Miesner, Spring Louderback, Brianna Glaze and City Clerk Sandy Rush.

**PROCLAMATIONS** – none

### **APPOINTMENTS**

**Board of Zoning** – Williby moved, second by Addleman to appoint the Mayor recommended; Tim Stallman to be on the board replacing Linda Weber who has requested to be removed. The board includes Chris Mastin, Chris Koerperich, Amanda Farr and Glen Stragey. Term to end 2019. **Motion carried.**

**Planning Commission** – Williby moved, second by Oien to appoint the Mayor recommended; Tim Stallman to be on the board replacing Linda Weber who has requested to be removed. The board includes Chris Mastin, Chris Koerperich, Amanda Farr, Glen Stragey, Herb Shirley and Doug Brown. Term to end 2019. **Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – none

### **CONSENT AGENDA** –

Approval of the minutes of the May 5, 2016 regular Council meeting.

Appropriations Ordinance – Payment of Bills

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

### **Old Business**

**Consider and discuss Charging for City Water being provided to the Racetracks** – Mayor Wendelin asked what the water usage was so far at the racetracks this year. Water Supervisor Willard Perrin reported 162,254 gallons for three races had been read and the cost using water dock pricing would be \$730.14. Rick Salem and Dave Murray, promoters of the races said there were eleven scheduled this year. After a discussion, Addleman moved, second by Oien to monitor the water usage this year and review and decide at a later date for next year. **Motion carried.**

**Discussion and possible action regarding Free Swim** – Steve Haynes spoke on behalf of Cynthia Haynes, who had started a project to promote and raise funds for free swimming this year. Since started a week ago, \$5735 has been raised and left at The Bank for deposit if approved. After a discussion, Marchello moved, second by Williby to accept any and all donations made for free swimming for this year only. **Motion carried.**

**Update and possible action on the Concession Stand for the Pool** – Pool committee members reported their goal was to have the building up by May 26<sup>th</sup>. When asked the cost of utility hook ups, David Sporn gave an estimate of \$2800. The interior will still need to be wired and plumbed to be paid for by the donation trust fund. After a discussion, Marchello moved, second by Oien to approve the City providing hookups for the utilities to the concession stand. **Motion carried.**

## New Business

Consider and discuss process and contract by League of Kansas Municipalities (LKM) for Administrative position search. – Anna Keena with LKM provided information and explained the process of creating a profile using a questionnaire the council were instructed to return within a week. A special session will then be scheduled for a review and discussion of the top two candidates LKM has chosen based on the profile put together for interviews. Williby moved, second by Addleman to accept and sign the contract from LKM and move forward on the hiring process. **Motion carried.**

Discussion regarding Guidelines for Dane G. Hansen Foundation grant recipients that would be placed on City Property. – Shayla Williby with Economic Development requested a form letter of approval from the Council for approved grants for City property to be made and on file for future reference for the local board. After a discussion, it was decided that they would not hold special meetings to approve requested grants and any requests would be considered at the next regular scheduled meeting. If approved, a letter of approval would be given.

Consider and support regarding Sunflower Rail Trails Conservancy to build a trail from Oberlin to Sappa Park using Dane G. Hansen grant. – Brianna Glaze explained the Stagecoach Trail Phase 1 project development plan for Oberlin. They are trying, with the help of a Dane G Hansen grant to develop 1.4 miles of a recreational trail which will enable safe travels from the city of Oberlin and connect to an existing trail at Sappa Park. Long-term goal would be to connect the 31 miles with Norton. Ms. Glaze asks for Council approval before applying for a grant. Oien moved, second by Addleman to approve the group's efforts. **Motion carried.**

Discussion and possible action requested by the Parks and Playground Committee. – Oien moved second by Marchello to approve the park committee installing a plaque for playground equipment located at the baseball diamond. **Motion carried.**

The committee also asked permission to hold a fundraiser movie night on June 10 at the band shell at the City Park. After a discussion, Oien moved, second by Addleman to approve the request if no violation of movie rights were found. **Motion carried.**

Consider and approve Temporary Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) License to serve at the Gateway by Mick Barth dba The Reload. – Oien moved, second by Addleman to approve the temporary license for the Reload to serve beer at the Gateway. **Motion carried.**

Consider and approve estimate for back flow repairs recommended by Nebraska Safety & Fire Equipment for the Gateway Auditorium Sprinkler System. – Addleman moved, second by Oien to pay for the repairs needed for the sprinkler from the Bremer Fund. **Motion carried.**

Consider approval of Signature Card Changes on City Banking Accounts Mayor, City Clerk, and City Treasurer. – City Attorney Hirsch suggested following the City Code in accordance to signatures. All city accounts are to be signed by the mayor, city clerk and city treasurer, so a motion was not needed.

Consider request from Ladd Wendelin to use the Gateway Theater for Oberlin Summer Theater. – Addleman moved, second by Marchello to approve donating the Gateway facilities for Ladd Wendelin's summer theater. **Motion carried.**

Consider request from Rusty Addleman for the City to donate to the Community Fireworks Display. – Oien moved, second by Marchello to approve donating the budgeted amount of \$500 for fireworks if permitted. **Motion carried.**

Consider and possible action on contract for the water tower maintenance by Utility Services. – City Attorney Hirsch listed three items of concern he had regarding the contract that had been addressed. They are:

1. No control of the fee and locked in at a five percent increase every five years.
2. Provision on what is placed on the tower and willing to put in provisions that won't withhold permission unreasonably.
3. Assignment Provision – we can't assign without their approval and visa versus.

Marchello moved, second by Oien to approve the contract as presented by Hirsch. **Motion carried.**

**Mayors Report** – Mayor Wendelin reported that 50 weed letters had been sent to customers and encouraged all to help make Oberlin look its best for the Holiday.

**Police Department** – Chief Troy Haas’s report is attached.

**Water Department** – Water Supervisor Willard Perrin reported the pool was filled and they were getting everything ready for the pool to open.

**Other Reports** – Councilman Brandon Oien stated he was impressed with the town and all their efforts in supporting the town. Hats off to those involved.

**ADJOURNMENT** -At 6:45 Addleman moved, second by Oien the meeting be adjourned. **Motion carried.**

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City Clerk

Mayor