

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – April 21, 2015 – 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: Mayor Ladd Wendelin, Rusty Addleman, Josh Williby, Jim Marchello and Marilyn Horn by telephone conference call (left call at 5:10 pm). **Majority of the Body Present.**

Absent – Brandon Oien

OTHERS PRESENT – City Administrator Pete Kampfer, City Attorney Steve Hirsch (arrived at 5:10 pm), City Treasurer Steve Zodrow, Cemetery Sexton Jeremy Tally, Nick Oliver with The Oberlin Herald, Mike Dempewolf, Marilyn Black, Joanne Wendelin, Deb Klima, Brianna Glaze, Jessica Whitaker and City Clerk Sandy Rush.

PROCLAMATIONS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the April 7, 2016 regular Council meeting.

Appropriations Ordinance - Payment of Bills

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

NEW BUSINESS

Consider presentation by the Oberlin City Park/Playground group – Deb Klima with the park/playground committee said that fundraisers and a Hansen Grant had allowed them to purchase playground equipment for the ballfield and fitness equipment for the scout park. They hope to get it installed at the Ballfield before the season begins. The Hansen Grant requires involvement of the committee in some manner of volunteerism towards helping with the installation. Administrator Kampfer said the City has already allocated funds for the concrete to be purchased for the pads. Mrs. Klima noted that a favorite saucer equipment located at the Scout Park was rusted and in need of repairs. The City will look into what is needed, Kampfer said.

She reported they are pricing playground equipment and padded rubber flooring pieces for the city park. The approximate cost would be \$58,000 for the equipment and installation. She was unsure of the cost of the rubber slab yet. Also discussed was the possibility of a fundraiser for a picket fence around the playground set. Purchase is contingent on available funding. Williby moved, second by Addleman to support the group in their endeavors. **Motion carried.**

Consider revised City Pool Rules and Rates – Administrator Kampfer presented the revised pamphlet for the pool rules and rates. The only change would be the age of children to be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. After a discussion, it was decided for Kampfer to present the pamphlet again at the next council for approval, with the wording to state a letter would be needed from the parent if they wished to have someone other than an adult be responsible for their child under 8.

City Attorney Steve Hirsch informed the council that according to the Kansas Tort Claims Act that cities have little if any liability with regard to any recreational use of property owned by the city.

The question was asked if a pool manager had been hired and Kampfer informed them that Keagan Blau would be the new manager.

Administrator Kampfer reported that the pool committee would be meeting on Tuesday, April 26th to discuss offering free swimming this year again and using \$6000 from the trust fund to finance it. After a discussion, Marchello moved, second by Williby to accept the offer if made. **Motion carried.**

Consider renewal of Baker Petrolite LLC Lease Agreement; City property located on North HWY 83 in Oberlin KS – After a short discussion, Addleman moved, second by Williby to agree to extending the one (1) year Lease with Baker Petrolite commencing on June 1, 2016, and ending on May 31, 2017. Rent for the premises shall be \$1,800.00 per annum. **Motion carried.**

Consider and approve a Firm Electric Service (FES) Agreement between the City of Oberlin, the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA) and the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) – City Attorney Hirsch is waiting to hear back regarding questions he has. After a discussion, Marchello moved, second by Williby to table a decision on the agreement with KMEA and WAPA, contingent on Attorney Hirsch's review and approval. **Motion carried.**

REPORTS

City Attorney Hirsch Report – After the planning commission met, Hirsch explained they recommend the zoning in the southwest of Oberlin be changed to agriculture as presented by Hirsch in Ordinance No. 884. Williby moved, second by Addleman to approve Ordinance No. 884. **Motion carried.**

Mayor's Report

– April 22 & 23 -Mayor Wendelin will be gone for LKM Leadership Summit in Junction City

Administrator's Report

Several reminders for the Council:

- April 22 - Keep Oberlin Beautiful – Community Cleanup Day
- Advertising for summer lifeguards
- Concession Stand with Shade to be erected at City Pool by students of Williby
- Tribal Knowledge – is any information that is known within a community but often unknown outside of it.

Things that occur in your community that you don't know about:

- City water being provided to the racetracks. A meter has been added to see what is being used. No plans to charge for the water, just useful information according to Kampfer.
- Bronze statue at the City Park being erected with a short raised flowerbed behind it. Since it is city property, it would be advantageous to request permits so knowledge is gained on where water and or electric lines are laid.

Cemetery/Parks Report

- Jeremy Tally reported next weekend, with the help from Rotary, thirteen trees will be planted around the pool and band shell, to be funded by a grant for \$3600.
- Lusch Lawns to redo sprinkler system at park for \$2600

Treasures Report - Cash Flow report attached, with date change on page 2.

Police Report - Report attached.

Councilman Addleman –Thanked Kampfer for working hard at keeping them informed and out of trouble.

ADJOURNMENT – At 6:20 pm Addleman moved, second by Marchello the meeting be adjourned. **Motion carried.**