

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING –October 5, 2017 - 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 – Josh Williby, Brandon Oien, Deb Lohofener, Rusty Addleman and Jim Marchello by phone. Majority of the Body Present.

Others Present: City Attorney, Steve Hirsch, City Administrator Halley Roberson, City Foreman David Sporn, Treasurer Steve Zodrow, Police Chief Brad Burmaster, Faith Meitl with the Oberlin Herald, Brice Meitl, Marilyn Black, Jim Wesch, Troy and Amy Haas, Kris Mathews, Phil Fraker, Ruth Miesner and City Clerk Sandy Rush.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of minutes – for September 21, 2017 regular Council meeting.

Appropriation Ordinance - Payment of Bills.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Committee and Board Members Handbook – Administrator Halley Roberson presented her proposed “Tips for Oberlin Committee and Board Members”. After a short discussion, it was suggested to mention the members must be residents of Decatur County and put on agenda for approval at the next meeting.

Airport Name Change – Mayor Ladd Wendelin discussed the survey he held online for people to vote on changing the airport name or not. He found afterwards that it was possible for someone to vote twice and that anyone could vote, including out of towners. The final results show 159 in favor and 69 opposed. Williby moved, second by Lohofener to start the process of changing the name of the Oberlin Municipal Airport to Oberlin Municipal Airport – Fraker Field. **Motion carried** with four ayes and Marchello opposing. Marchello expressed his disappointment there was no further discussion and was informed that it was thoroughly discussed at the last meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Inspection Results – Ms. Roberson reported the FAA had conducted a minor inspection at the airport and found two items needing fixed. A concrete utility cover was above ground and needed to be at ground level, and a non-regulation wind sock needed to be removed. Airport Manager Brice Meitl addressed both issues and Ms. Roberson was informed her email served as the written resolution. She also said the FAA had complimented the looks of the airport.

Brent Stallman Utilities – Ms. Roberson advised the council of an EDC project for Brent Stallman, as he is wanting to locate a new business on property north of town. They are inquiring if the city will pay for extending utility services to the property if the land is not annexed in to the city limits. Councilman Williby expressed his concerns of EDC receiving monies from the city and promoting projects outside of city limits. Water supervisor, Willard Perrin had completed a cost analysis for both a two inch and a six inch line, selection of which would be based upon if the council wanted to continue development in the area or not. After further discussion, it was decided to have City Attorney Hirsch and Administrator Roberson look into what it takes to annex property into the city and present the pros and cons of doing so at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

#1 Mayor Wendelin called for a 5-minute Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel to include mayor, administrator, city attorney, council and clerk, starting at 5:30 p.m. to discuss wages. Addleman moved, second by Williby. **Motion carried.** Resumed at 5:35 p.m. Oien moved, second by Williby to approve the recommended pay increase. **Motion carried.**

REPORTS

Administrators Report

- Administrator Roberson informed the council she would be gone at the next regular scheduled meeting to Wichita for the KMEA Conference. Williby moved, second by Lohoefer to change the meeting to Tuesday, October 17th at 5 p.m. **Motion carried.**
- Ms. Roberson attended a carnival meeting in Oakley consisting of several counties and will be meeting again October 11, 2017. They will be working on a draft to amend the amusement bill.
- Attended the League of Kansas Municipalities Regional Supper and received advice from the league's lobbyists regarding the draft for the amusement bill.
- Met with Jeff Younger with Secure Energy and hedged 50% of the city's gas at a rate of 3.78%
- Updated the council on FEMA from the storm. They will be reimbursing 75% of the power generation costs which came to \$233,000. The power pole and lines is claimed under another section and is still being tabulated.

Public Works Report

- City Foreman report is attached for review.

Treasurers Report

- Sales Tax report attached for review.
- Auditors are done with the 2016 Audit and will be scheduling a delivery date.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:50 PM Williby moved, second by Addleman to adjourn. **Motion carried.**

Sandy Rush, City Clerk

Ladd Wendelin, Mayor