

## OAKLEY CITY COUNCIL

The Oakley City Council met in regular session in the meeting room at the Oakley Fire Station at 215 Hudson Avenue at 7:00 PM. Mayor Jerry Robben presided.

Council members present. Charles Beamer, Shawna Allison and Kevin Uhrich.

Council member absent. Roger Boyd.

City staff present. City Administrator Brandon Buchanan, City Clerk Rose Wessel, Police Chief Danny Shanks and Public Works Director James Glassman.

Others present. Linda Engel and Barbara Kelly.

Call to order. Mayor Robben called the meeting to order.

Minutes. Beamer moved to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2010 regular meeting as presented. Allison seconded.

Council member Finlay arrived at approximately 7:01 PM.

Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8458)

Finlay moved to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2010 special meeting as presented. Allison seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8459)

Warrant Register. Following questions, Beamer moved to approve the January 14, 2010 Warrant Register for 2009 expenses, in the amount of \$31,739.76 (Check Nos. 33663-33679). Finlay seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8460)

Following questions, Beamer moved to approve the January 15, 2010 Warrant Register for 2010 expenses, in the amount of \$46,386.28 (Check Nos. 33662, 33680-33705). Uhrich seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8461)

Employee Exception Report. Beamer moved to approve the January 15, 2010 Employee Exception Report for 2,187.34 regular hours and 92.15 overtime hours (ACH Nos. 5431-5449, Check Nos. 14301-14316). Uhrich seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8462)

Landfill. Public Works Director Glassman reported that following the special meeting, millings have been put down on the roads from the pit to the gate and wet weather pit, trash has been picked up and they are hauling dirt. Glassman stated they are using the windbreak screens and have ordered 100 feet of chicken wire to build fences on the north and south side of the current pit. Buchanan stated Zerr Engineering has been contacted concerning updating the Plot Plan and the Operations Report for the Landfill; and now the Council needs to decide the plan of action to follow to maintain a level of compliance to prevent any more violations which may result in KDHE closing the Landfill. Buchanan reported that he was recommending the Council consider hiring an individual for a Landfill Supervisor. Discussion followed on changing time and days the Landfill is open to the public, call box, the \$6,000.00 fine, access control, cordless phone and cell phone and the spray cover.

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Following discussion, Finlay moved to purchase the Landfill cover machine with trailer at an approximate cost of \$14,467.00 and the material for the spray cover. Uhrich seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8463)

Mayor Robben stated he had contacted Troy Sporer about getting a quote on the cost to dig a new pit at the Landfill.

Finlay moved to place an ad for a Landfill Supervisor as soon as possible. Uhrich seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8464)

Discussion followed on buildings to use for a recycling building and following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to work on converting the round top building to use for a recycling building.

Sewer Utility Rates. Buchanan reported the City received notification on January 15, 2010 from KS Department of Commerce that we were selected as one of the recipients of the CDBG in the amount of \$500,000.00. Buchanan discussed the issue of sewer rates and following discussion, Beamer moved to approve Ordinance No. 1072, An Ordinance Relating to and Fixing Charges to be Paid to the City of Oakley for a Sewer Fee. Finlay seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8465)

ACIP Data Sheets. Buchanan stated the City has to update projects at the Airport for grant funding and following discussion, Uhrich moved to approve the Five Year Capital Improvement Program and the ACIP Data sheets for the Oakley Municipal Airport. Finlay seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8466)

Sale Price for City-owned Property. Buchanan stated he was contacted by an individual, wanting to remain anonymous, inquiring on the price of the vacant lots at Little Café site and lots across from the city Building. The Council discussed the amount of \$5,000 price per lot, to sell the lots in pairs and the type of business this individual wanted to locate in Oakley.

Roads for Analysis and Improvement. Buchanan discussed the issue of hiring an engineer or consultant firm requesting bids on street repairs. Buchanan stated he had contacted other cities that had this done and the costs involved. Buchanan discussed an option for the City Council to select two or three streets for analysis for quotes. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to start with an analysis for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for repair and to develop a cost estimate to use when proceeding with a possible City sales tax.

List for Utility Setoff Program. Following discussion, Uhrich moved to approve the list of unpaid utility accounts be sent to the Kansas Setoff Program for collection. Allison seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8467)

Training Request for City Personnel. Buchanan discussed sending Dick Nelson to the Kansas Rural Water Conference in Wichita from March 30-April 1, with an approximate cost of \$500.00. Council member Finlay stated he was interested in attending this conference and following discussion, Beamer moved to approve sending Dick Nelson and Cody Finlay to the Kansas Rural Water Conference in Wichita, at an approximate cost of \$500.00 for Dick Nelson and with Finlay's attending depending on the reimbursement of registration fee, if he attended a particular workshop. Allison seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8468)

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Chief Shanks asked to attend the Joint Law Enforcement Legislative Conference in Topeka on February 3. Following discussion, Finlay moved to approve Chief Shanks attending the Joint Law Enforcement Legislative Conference in Topeka on February 3 with an approximate cost of \$186.00. Uhrich seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8469)

Application for Cereal Malt Beverage License. Finlay moved to approve the Application for Cereal Malt Beverage License for Our Place to retail cereal malt beverage for consumption on the premises. Uhrich seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8470)

AWOS Update. Wessel stated she had spoken with George Laliberte and the funding is still available for the grant. Uhrich moved to approve the City proceed with the AWOS update for the Oakley Municipal Airport. Beamer seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8471)

Next Council Meeting Date. Buchanan inquired of the Council if they wished to change the meeting date for the next Council meeting since the Chamber has changed the Annual Banquet to the same evening. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to leave the meeting as scheduled.

Administrator's Report. Buchanan stated that Bob Vincent has completed his initial review of the documents for transferring the water rights and he thinks he will be able to assist the city in getting the application approved.

Buchanan reported the City Attorney is working on the Hullet water rights.

Buchanan discussed the progress on the bids for the replacement of the radio receiver for the runway lights.

Buchanan stated that Cora Lee Parke and Paul Heskett met with him concerning the City expensing funds for space to advertise on a map that will be placed in hotel rooms. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to have Buchanan take this request to the Tourism Advisory Committee.

Mayor and Council Reports. Finlay discussed an issue regarding a business owner on Center Avenue and the removal of snow from the sidewalk and discussion followed on this.

Finlay asked that Steve Johnson attend Council meetings to update the Council on meetings and conferences he is attending for the City.

Uhrich discussed the progress of updating the well houses of chlorine huts and Buchanan stated that the City only has one well house to update.

Mayor Robben stated he was invited to the Hospital Board Meeting on Wednesday, January 20 at 6:00 PM to discuss the sales tax issue and inquired if any Council members wanted to attend and discussion followed.

Adjourn. Uhrich moved to adjourn the meeting. Finlay seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (# 8472) Mayor Robben declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:50 PM.

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Rose Wessel  
City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_