

The Oakley City Council met in regular session on August 3, 2020, in the meeting room at the Oakley Fire Station, 215 Hudson Avenue, and streamed live at <https://www.facebook.com/discoveroakley/live> at 7:00 PM. Mayor Stephenson presided.

Council members present. Jordan Burris, Chris Dorman, Ilene Nickel, and Russ Kahle were present; Leasa Huddle was present via Zoom.

City staff present. City Administrator Bradley Pendergast, City Clerk Leann Hughes, and Police Chief Daniel Cooper.

Others present. Tim Whyte, Jaime Pfeifer, Misty Mildenberger, Greg Jirak, Raelene Keller, and Megan Stephenson.

Call to order. Mayor Stephenson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Minutes. Burris moved to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2020, regular meeting, as presented. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11367).

AP Payment Register. Burris moved to approve the July 31, 2020, AP Payment Register, for checks dated July 31, 2020, in the amount of \$171,235.37 (Check Nos. 307-310; 46775-46776; 46779; and 46781-46816). Dorman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11368).

Time Entry Report. Dorman moved to approve the Time Entry Report for July 12, 2020, to July 25, 2020, dated July 29, 2020, for the July 31, 2020, payroll, in the amount of \$53,449.68 for 3,348.64 hours (Check No. 17276-17277; ACH Nos. 95175-95228; AP Check Nos. 46777-46778; Wire Nos. 581-584). Nickel seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11369).

Citizen Request to Speak. None.

#### NEW DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Condemnation Hearing – 200 Center Avenue. The Hearing was scheduled for 7:15 PM, so this item was postponed until that time.

CDBG-CV Contract. Administrator Pendergast reported the Kansas Department of Commerce awarded the City of Oakley \$44,000 in CDBG-CV Grant funding. \$40,000 will be made available to local businesses and the remaining \$4,000 will go to the Northwest Planning and Development Commission to administer the grant. Burris moved to accept the State of Kansas Grant Agreement No. 20-CV-101 between the State of Kansas Department of Commerce and the City of Oakley with the Mayor, City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk, designated as signers. Dorman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11370).

Minimum Housing Standards. Administrator Pendergast discussed a proposed Minimum Housing Standards Code. He suggested the Council consider incorporating fines to landlords whose rentals are out of compliance. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to have Pendergast work with City Attorney, Steve Hirsch, to condense the proposed code and bring it back for review.

COVID-19 Policy. Kahle moved to approve the COVID-19 Precaution Plan as presented by Administrator Pendergast. Nickel seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11371).

Condemnation Hearing – 200 Center Avenue. Mayor Stephenson opened the condemnation hearing for the building at 200 Center Avenue at approximately 7:16 P.M. Tim Whyte, owner of the building, was present to answer questions and he referred to the language contained in K.S.A. 26-201, concerning condemnations. Raelene Keller, Board Member of the Logan County Community Foundation, reviewed what has been discussed with regard to Mr. Whyte gifting the building to the Foundation and the intent to

pursue grant funds, with the City's assistance for the feasibility inspection. Whyte discussed the current lien on the property and noted he has worked this out with the Farmers State Bank. Megan Stephenson, Assistant Vice President, Consumer Loans and Home Loans, Farmers State Bank, confirmed they are working with Mr. Whyte to be able to release the lien once a contract is agreed upon between Whyte and the Foundation. Mayor Stephenson closed the hearing. No action was taken.

Memorandum of Understanding – SPARK Funding. Administrator Pendergast discussed the Memorandum of Understanding regarding SPARK funding that is required to receive SPARK funds. Dorman moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding SPARK Funding between Logan County and the City of Oakley. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11372).

Municipal Pool Closing Date. Administrator Pendergast reported the Pool Manager and both Assistant Managers will not be available to work past August 15, 2020, and school is scheduled to reopen August 19, 2020; therefore, staff has recommended the pool be closed at the end of the day August 15, 2020. It was the consensus of the Council to close the Municipal Pool for the season at the end of the day on August 15, 2020.

#### UNFINISHED DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Logan County Community Foundation – 200 Center Avenue. Administrator Pendergast noted the Foundation provided an updated agreement for review following discussion at the last Council meeting, which was provided in the Council packets. Discussion followed. Dorman moved to approve the Contract Relating to Support for the Renovation of Certain Real Estate, between the Logan County Community Foundation and the City of Oakley. Burris seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11373).

Preliminary Budget Discussion. Administrator Pendergast discussed the proposed 2021 Budget. Burris noted he had previously requested a decrease in the budget and he felt the swing position being advertised should be eliminated. Discussion followed. Huddle moved set a hearing for the 2021 Budget on August 17, 2020, at 7:05 P.M. Burris seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11374).

RF Water Meters. Nothing at this time.

Water Treatment. Nothing at this time.

Paperless Council Packets. Nothing at this time.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Bradley Pendergast, City Administrator. Administrator Pendergast reported on activities of the various City Departments.

Leann Hughes, City Clerk. Clerk Hughes noted the City's Audit Firm has recommended that all Journal Entries, Transfers and/or Corrections be included in Council Packets for review, which was started with the packet for this meeting. Hughes asked that Council Members review the information and let staff know if there are any questions or concerns.

#### MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Dorman announced that he and his wife would be moving out of Oakley but that he intends to continue serving on the Council until such time and he noted he will keep the Council informed as soon as a date is decided.

Nickel reported she has received calls concerning the status of the curve on the West end of Eighth Street. Pendergast noted the court date was moved but that he had met with the property owners and they had made some improvement following that meeting. He will contact them again.

Nickel also reported a house on Wink Avenue where the porch has fallen off the front of the house. Pendergast stated he had contacted the owner previously, but he will contact him again.

Burris inquired why the City purchased three new police vehicles but have not sold the cars that were replaced. Pendergast stated they will be listed in an upcoming auction on Purple Wave.

Adjourn. Burris moved to adjourn the meeting. Dorman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11375). Mayor Stephenson adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:46 PM.

Leann M. Hughes, CMC  
City Clerk

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The members of the Council acknowledged receipt of a copy of the minutes; said minutes were approved as presented at the August 17, 2020, regular meeting.