

Odessa Town Council Minutes

March 22, 2021

REGULAR ZOOM MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was held in persona and via the ZOOM app due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, Meeting ID and Password were made available to the public through postings on the office door and the post office community board. Present were Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Watkins, Councilmember Hunt, Clerk/Treasurer Bohn, Public Works Director Webster, Police Chief Jimerson, Fire Chief Strebeck, Zoning Commissioner Knerr, and public citizens.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There was no additions or deletions

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The March 8, 2021 regular Council Meeting Minutes were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Watkins, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

February Treasurers Report, March 22, 2021 claim clearing checks and EFT totaling \$9,694.07 and voided checks #9972 and #9990 were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Kramer, seconded by Councilmember Hunt.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The property up by the water tower on the North side of town was brought up for discussion again. A resident of town would like to purchase a section of the land which is adjacent to his property. He does not want to go further with paying for a survey of the property if the council is not interested in selling it. The council discussed this and decided it is in the best interest of the town to not sell any town property at this time. There was no motion on this discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

- USDA Financing for our 2021 Water and Streets project needs the town to get Bond Counsel Services for the USDA Financing portion. Foster Garvey law firm will do Bond Counsel for the price of \$5,000. This motion was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.
- Building permit 2021-02 for a re-roof at 204 E 4th Ave was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Hunt, seconded by Councilmember Watkins.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Jimerson reported on all the department's numerous calls and incidents. An update was given on the current police officer job opening and will be interviewing an applicant on Friday.

FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Strebeck reported open burning is currently going on in the town. He also pointed out we have had a very dry Spring so far this year so it will more than likely be a hot and dry summer.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works Director Webster reported on departmental activities. They are working on the road to the drying bed by the plant. Our town engineer came out and walked with Public Works to go over what sidewalks need to be included in the sidewalk grant that the town is currently applying for. They are opening up the restrooms at the park.

COUNCIL REPORT

Council asked if the town could put the lifeguard job post in the newspaper and also on a Facebook post. To date there has only been three applicants that have applied.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crossley reported that he and other Mayor's from various towns wrote into Governor Inslee requesting to open up into Phase three for the Corona Virus Pandemic. The hope is to open up to Phase four as it will help the town open up contact sports and other opportunities.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Crossley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Mayor William F. Crossley

ATTEST:

Meri Jane Bohn, Clerk-Treasurer