

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Monday, November 22, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**  
**2021 BUDGET AMENDMENT**

Mayor Crossley opened the 2021 Budget Amendment hearing. Present were Councilmember Watkins, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Kramer, Clerk-Treasurer Bohn, Fire Chief Strebeck, Public Works employee Paszkeicz, Zoning Inspector Knerr, and public citizens. Councilmember Gimmestad was absent. Mayor Crossley explained the need for a 2021 Budget Amendment for the Council and public due to Grants and Covid Money the town received during the current year. No comments or questions were offered from the public.

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Monday, November 22, 2021, 7:01 p.m.**  
**2022 PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET**

Mayor Crossley opened the 2022 Proposed Budget hearing immediately following the budget amendment hearing. Present were Councilmember Watkins, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Kramer, Clerk-Treasurer Bohn, Fire Chief Strebeck, Public Works employee Paszkeicz, Zoning Inspector Knerr, and public citizens. Councilmember Gimmestad was absent.

Mayor Crossley reviewed and discussion was held regarding the 2022 proposed final budget. It was reported water rates will increase 3.5%, sewer rates will increase 5%, and garbage rates will increase 3%. Employee wages will increase by a 5.9% cost of living adjustment (COLA). Mayor Crossley asked for questions or comments from the public. No comments or questions were offered.

**Odessa Town Council Minutes**  
**Monday, November 22, 2021, 7:02 p.m.**

REGULAR ZOOM MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. This meeting was held 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 Watkins, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Kramer, Clerk-Treasurer Bohn, Fire Chief Strebeck, Public Works employee Paszkeicz, Zoning Inspector Knerr, and public citizens. Councilmember Gimmestad was absent.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Deletion of Ordinance 720: 2021 Budget Amendment until next council meeting on December 13, 2021.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- The Council minutes of November 8, 2021 regular Council Meeting
- The Council minutes of November 16, 2021 Budget Meeting

were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Kramer, seconded by Councilmember Iverson.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

October Financials, Treasurers Report and November 22, 2021 Claims Clearing checks No. 10526 – 10539 for \$150,400.63 plus one voided EFT check and EFT's were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Lobe, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

### NEW BUSINESS

- An Amendment to our 2021 Odessa Water and Streets Project was discussed. The amendment will result in the town recouping money regarding the extra hours/overtime, parts, damages, additional services by Engineering firm and other issues that were present during the construction project in town. The original agreement amount was \$268,402 but needs to be amended by \$77,107. This leaves an adjusted agreement amount is \$345,509 due by contractor. This was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.
- Resolution 2021-08: Regarding Sponsorship for the Odessa Metropolitan Park District (OMPD) was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Lobe, seconded by Councilmember Watkins.
- Building Permit 2021-27 for a metal re-roof at 506 E Marjorie was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Lobe, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

### POLICE REPORT

There was no Police Report.

### FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Strebeck reported the Fire Auction will be held the end of February 2022. Chief has given his resignation ending this year 2021. He plans to stay with the Fire Department but as of January 1, 2022 Stephen Walter will be assuming the role as Chief for Odessa Fire Department.

### PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works employee Paszkeicz reported the department is short staffed through the end of the year. One employee is out on medical leave and Public Works Director Webster will be retiring end of this year so he is using his time up and taking vacation most of December. The Public Works Department is getting snow equipment ready for use.

### COUNCIL REPORT

There was no Council Report.

### MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crossley reported the 2021 State Audit entrance call is scheduled for tomorrow Tuesday November 23, 2021 for the town. Mayor let all Council members know that Mr. Diaz our new police officer recruit who has been in Police Academy the last couple months is no longer employed with the town.

### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Mayor Crossley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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William Crossley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Meri Jane Bohn, Clerk-Treasurer