

Odessa Town Council Minutes

May 11, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING CDBG PROJECTS

Mayor Crossley called the hearing to order at 7:01 p.m. This meeting was held via phone conference due to the COVID pandemic. Present were Stephen Nelson-Century West Engineering, Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Watkins, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizens. Mr. Nelson presented council and citizens with information on the \$900,000.00 CDBG grant application for funds to replace the 2nd Ave and Douglas Street lift station, telemetry, create drying beds for the sewer plant to reduce per ton cost of disposal and help offset the loan portion of the DOE 50% grant/50% loan that we are currently using. There were no questions. Mayor Crossley adjourned this hearing at 7:07 p.m.

Mayor Crossley opened the second hearing at 7:07 p.m. Present were Stephen Nelson-Century West Engineering, Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Watkins, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizens. Mr. Nelson presented council and citizens with information on the \$30,000.00 grant application for funds to be used to map the infrastructure for the Asset Management Plan. Citizen Knerr had a question on the cost and wanted a little more information on the mapping. Mr. Nelson explained that the \$30,000.00 would be 100% grant. The funds would pay for GIS mapping equipment to have the infrastructure mapped on a computer. No more paper maps. With no further questions, Mayor Crossley adjourned this hearing at 7:09 p.m. Council ended the phone conference and logged in to the ZOOM meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR SCHOOL VARIANCE AND CONDITIONAL USE

Mayor Crossley called this hearing to order at 7:10 p.m. after everyone logged into the ZOOM meeting. Present were Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Watkins, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizen. Mayor Crossley presented the Zoning Commission's minutes and recommendation. Councilmember Watkins asked Justin Parr for clarification of the setback of the fence. Mr. Parr replied that the fence would be inside the tree line and the cement foundation. Councilmember Kramer asked who would be responsible for the maintenance of the fence and beds. Mr. Parr said he (or his successor in the school grounds maintenance dept.) would be responsible. With no further questions Mayor Crossley adjourned this public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley called the regular meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. This meeting was held via the ZOOM app due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the Meeting ID and the Password were made available to the public through Facebook, posted on the office door and posted on the post office community board. Present were Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Watkins, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizen.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Mayor Crossley added Building Permit 2020-14 -Fence to New Business Item "d".

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- The April 27, 2020 Council minutes were discussed, read and approved upon a motion by Councilmember Kramer seconded by Councilmember Hunt.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

- The March and April Treasurer's Reports, March payroll checks #9225-#9241 plus 5 EFTs totaling \$39,426.97, the April payroll checks #9277-#9296 plus 4 EFTs totaling \$40,147.87 and

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the May 11, 2020 claim vouchers #9318 to #9340 plus 1 EFT totaling \$39,049.34 were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Watkins, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilmember Hunt discussed holding a Municipal Park District meeting with all concerned parties with Mark DeWulf. Council agreed by consensus.

- Council reviewed the Pool Lifeguard rate-per-hour paid by the renter of the pool during said rental. Councilmember Lobe made a motion to increase this amount from \$13.00 to \$15.00 with Councilmember Iverson seconding. Motion passed
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NEW BUSINESS

- CDBG Project Resolutions 2020-07 and 2020-08 and the Title VI resolution 2020-09 were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Watkins, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.
- Building Permits for the school -2020-02 fence variance and 2020-03 conditional use for garden beds were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Hunt.
- Adding Mayor Crossley to the Town account signature card at Washington Federal was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Kramer, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.
- Building Permit 2020-14 Fence was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Hunt, seconded by Councilmember Iverson, with Councilmember Watkins abstaining for reasons of conflict of interest.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crossley reported that Clean up Day cost the Town about \$1600.00 more than last year, partly due to a large amount of construction-renovation material that was dumped, and would like council to help come up with ways to curtail the extra expense.

Lincoln County was approved by the State last Friday to move to Phase II reopening after the COVID restrictions.

The FBLA is still working towards an "Adopt a Grave" program to support the cemetery.

ADJOURN

With no further business, Mayor Crossley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor William F. Crossley

ATTEST:

Denise Snead, Clerk-Treasurer