

Odessa Town Council Minutes

June 28, 2021

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley opened the meeting the 2022-2028 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Crossley, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Watkins, Councilmember Gimmestad, Public Works Director Webster, Police Chief Jimerson, Fire Chief Strebeck, Clerk/Treasurer Bohn, and public citizens.

Copies of the 2022-2028 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan were available for the public. Discussion was held with no comments or questions offered from the public.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. This meeting was held in person 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 Gimmestad, Clerk/Treasurer Bohn, Public Works Director Webster, Police Chief Jimerson, Fire Chief Strebeck, and public citizens.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The June 14, 2021 regular Council Meeting Minutes were approved with corrections upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Watkins.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

June Payroll, and June 28, 2021 claim clearing checks 10198, 10227-10239 and EFT totaling \$30,926.92 were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Kramer, seconded by Councilmember Gimmestad.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

- Chamber President Hurias is seeking approval for closing off Division street both sides in town for the vendors to spread out more. He would like to fence off First Street to have an indoor/outdoor beer garden. Also checked to see if parking behind Old Town Hall would be available for fest. He will check with the railroad to use the parking since the town does not own the parking behind the hall. Council is okay with the requests made and have no problem with them blocking off the roads.
- Public Works Director Webster stated prices are quite high for scrap metal currently and would like the council approval to scrap. Council said they are in agreement and said it would be fine for Public Works to go ahead with scrapping the metal.
- Resolution 2021-04: Six-Year Transportation Improvement plan was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, Seconded by Councilmember Gimmestad.

- Grant No. 3-53-0040-012-2021 for Odessa Municipal Airport needs to have Mayor Crossley set as an authorized representative. This was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.
- Building Permit 2021-17 for a new fence at 409 ½ E Third Avenue was approved upon a motion by Councilmember Gimmetstad, seconded by Councilmember Watkins.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Jimerson reported on all the department's numerous calls and incidents. An update was given on the new recruit Police Officer who will be getting fingerprints done on July 1st. Start day will be July 3rd.

FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Strebeck reported on numerous fire calls in the last three days that they have been called out to. Weed letters have been done and are being mailed out shortly. No fireworks this year as the town is too dry and fire danger is too high.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Public Works Director Webster reported on departmental activities. The Department of Health pool inspection is coming up in the coming days. Heat is continuing to be a problem at the lift station, and several power outages have happened. No construction this week on the project due to the excessive heat. Two water shutoffs are scheduled next week with the construction.

COUNCIL REPORT

There was no Council report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crossley said there is a chance the pool may close due to the extreme temperatures coming up this next week. They will be in contact with the lifeguard manager.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Crossley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Mayor William F. Crossley

ATTEST:

Meri Jane Bohn, Clerk-Treasurer