

The Oakley City Council met in special session on March 22, 2021, in the meeting room at the new Oakley City Office, 415 W. 2nd Street, and streamed live at <https://www.facebook.com/discoveroakley/live> at 7:00 P.M., for the object and purpose of approving an AP Payment Register, an Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel and an Administrative Report from Bradley Pendergast, City Administrator. Mayor Shane Stephenson presided.

Council members present. Russ Kahle; Ilene Nickel and Kile Zerr were present via telephone. Leasa Huddle and Eli Winger were absent.

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

Others present. None.

Call to order. Mayor Stephenson called the meeting to order at approximately 7:07 P.M.

Clerk Hughes read a request for a special meeting, as follows: The Honorable Shane Stephenson: We, the undersigned Council Members of the City of Oakley, Kansas hereby respectfully request you to call a special meeting of the City Council to be held at 7:00 PM, on March 22, 2021, in the City Council Room at 415 W. 2nd Street, for the object and purpose of approving an AP Payment Register, an Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel, and an Administrative Report from Bradley Pendergast, City Administrator. Dated this 22nd day of March, 2021. Signed by Russ Kahle, Kile Zerr and Ilene Nickel, Council Members.

Approval of AP Payment Registers. Kahle moved to approve the March 19, 2021, AP Payment Register, in the amount of \$81,799.61 (Check Nos. 346-347; 47534-47554). Nickel seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14555).

NEW DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel. Kahle moved to recess to Executive Session for personnel matters of nonelected personnel for three (3) minutes with the Mayor, Council, City Administrator Pendergast and City Clerk Hughes present, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exemption under K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(1). The meeting will resume in the meeting room at the Oakley City Office, 415 W. 2nd Street, at 7:13 PM. Nickel seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14556).

Mayor Stephenson re-convened the meeting and no action was taken following the executive session.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Bradley Pendergast, City Administrator. Pendergast reported he met with Mel Snow, Logan County Hospital Administrator, to discuss the rumors/speculation concerning the construction of a new hospital. Snow confirmed the hospital is looking into a project for a new facility that will be financed by Revenue Bonds, so there will be no cost to taxpayers and no liability can fall back on the City or the County if there is a problem with those bonds. Pendergast discussed some of the statistics provided to him and some of the preliminary plans for a facility along US Highway 40, near I-70. Mayor Stephenson and Council Member Nickel voiced possible concerns with the airport nearby. Pendergast will check on this.

Pendergast also noted a manual check was prepared for the payment of insurance to Campbell Insurance since it is due April 1, 2021, and he will provide a full report of the coverage the next regular meeting. He noted the premiums were approximately \$800 more than last year.

Mayor Stephenson commented, for the record, that the filing deadline for Council positions is June 3, 2021, at 12:00 P.M. He wanted to make sure everyone was aware of the correct date.

Adjourn. Kahle moved to adjourn the meeting. Nickel seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14557). Mayor Stephenson adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:28 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 April 5, 2021, regular meeting.