

The Oakley City Council met in regular session on July 5, 2022, in the meeting room at the Oakley City Office, 415 W. 2nd Street, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Stephenson presided.

Council members present. Leasa Huddle, Russ Kahle, Trevor Mader, Cheryl Stewart and Kile Zerr.

City staff present. City Administrator Brock Sloan, Police Chief Daniel Cooper, and City Clerk Leann Hughes.

Others present. None.

Call to order. Mayor Stephenson called the regular meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s). Zerr moved to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2022, regular meeting, as presented. Stewart seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14940).

Approval of AP Payment Register. Mader moved to approve the July 1, 2022, AP Payment Register, for checks dated June 30, 2022, in the amount of \$41,162.31 (Check Nos. 427-429; 49084-49086; and 49093-49131). Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14941).

Approval of Time Entry Report. Stewart moved to approve the Time Entry Report for June 12, 2022, to June 25, 2022, dated June 29, 2022, for the July 1, 2022, payroll, in the amount of \$65,026.97 for 3,510.02 hours (Check Nos. 17514-17522; ACH Nos. 96972-97035; AP Check Nos. 49087-49092; Wire Nos. 782-785). Zerr seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14942).

Citizen Request to Speak. None.

Department Head Reports. None.

NEW DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Landfill Fence Bids. Administrator Sloan reported Requests for Bid were sent out after the last Council meeting for repairs to the landfill fence. Sloan stated that 2 options were bid; Option A is to repair the fence with the same size posts (1-5/8"), as were previously installed; Option B is to repair the fence with larger (2-3/8") posts. Sloan is still working with FEMA for assistance with this project. Two bids were returned, as follows:

Eldridge Fencing, Inc., Great Bend, KS - Option A - \$45,714.00; Option B - \$60,596.00

Garden True Value, Garden City, KS - Option A - \$40,723.00; Option B - \$54,878.00

Requests were sent to local contractors, but no one local returned a bid. Discussion followed. Kahle moved to approve the bid from Garden True Value, Garden City, KS, in the amount of \$54,878.00 for Option B, for the repair of the 6' chain link fence at the Oakley, Kansas, Landfill, to be paid from the Sanitation Reserve Fund. Zerr seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14943).

Hospital Meeting July 19th. Administrator Sloan reported that Aimee Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer, Logan County Hospital, has extended an invitation to the Mayor and Council to attend a meeting on July 19, 2022, at Noon, at the EMS Building, to discuss the hospital building project and answer any questions about the project. Sloan will need to know who plans to attend by the next Council Meeting on July 18, 2022, and a Special Meeting may need to be scheduled, depending on how many Council Members plan to attend.

SeeClickFix. Administrator Sloan explained that SeeClickFix is a work order type of software, similar to Dude Solutions, but it is provided by CivicPlus, the company that currently hosts the City's discoveroakley.com website. Sloan stated staff has been looking for a more affordable work order system to replace Dude Solutions and G&H is putting together information on how the Nex-Cloud solution might work for this.

Freedom Claims Secondary Health Insurance. Administrator Sloan reported that Daren Booth, with Theel Insurance, representing Freedom Claims Insurance, contacted him regarding a quote for hybrid health insurance for City employees. The plan utilizes Blue Cross/Blue Shield as the primary insurance, with a high deductible, and then Freedom Claims Management would be a secondary insurance to pay the difference

between a deductible limit set by the Council and the high deductible of the plan. Sloan stated Logan County has been using this group for over 4 years. Following considerable discussion, it was the consensus of the Council not to pursue a change at this time, but it can be re-evaluated at a later date, if needed.

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UNFINISHED DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Resolution 2022-04 – Participation in the NFIP. Administrator Sloan presented a proposed Resolution to participate in the National Flood Insurance program. as was discussed at the June 20, 2022, Council Meeting. Zerr moved to approve Resolution 2022-04, applying for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. Stewart seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14944).

Police Pickup. Administrator Sloan reported the City Council approved a bid from J&R Auto at the September 20, 2021, Council meeting, for a 2022 Chevrolet 1500 Crew Cab Work Truck for \$34,135.35. The pickup arrived in June, but it has a new price of \$45,492.60. J&R Auto stated the increase was due to governmental discounts being discontinued. J&R also presented a quote for a 2023 truck, with similar specifications, but no delivery date for \$42,967.90. Chief Cooper reported that he was in contact with GM directly and they responded that incentives were not discontinued, but they also informed Cooper that J&R Auto is not a fleet dealer, which means the specifications for a police vehicle are not available through them. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to refuse the truck at the new price and for Chief Cooper to contact fleet dealers for a new bid. Administrator Sloan will have information at the next Council meeting to rescind the original motion for the purchase in September, 2021.

Preliminary Budget Discussion. Administrator Sloan reported he received the new Assessed Valuation for Budget year 2023 and it is up from last year. However, he feels the City will still likely have to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate due to inflation, fuel prices and other rising costs. He will have firm numbers at the next Council Meeting.

Executive Session – Non-Elected Personnel. Kahle moved to recess to Executive Session for personnel matters of non-elected personnel for ten (10) minutes, with the Mayor, Council, and Administrator Sloan 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 7:50 P.M. Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14945).

Mayor Stephenson re-convened the meeting, with no action taken.

Stewart moved to approve a salary increase for Chief Daniel Cooper, as recommended, effective immediately. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14946).

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Mayor Stephenson re-convened the meeting, with no action taken.

Stewart moved to authorize Mayor Stephenson to complete an evaluation for City Administrator, Brock Sloan. Zerr seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14948).

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Brock Sloan, City Administrator. Administrator Sloan reported on several items, including:

- Administrator Sloan reported he was contacted by an individual interested in renting one of the City's

vacant lots in the 700 Block of Cornell Avenue, to park utility trailers and possibly an RV trailer. Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Council not to do this.

- Sloan reported he received an inquiry about the purchase of an approximately 200-foot-wide tract from the City, west of Sonic, on airport property. It was the consensus of the Council for Sloan to move forward with negotiations.
- Sloan reported the refuse truck was in an accident; there was not much damage to the refuse truck, which is still in operation, but there was some damage to a semi-truck. EMC Insurance is taking care of the claim.

Leann Hughes, City Clerk. No Report.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Council Member Huddle expressed her thanks to all those responsible for the purchase and display of fireworks for the community on July 4th.

Council Member Stewart reported she was contacted by a resident who was concerned about visitors to a local Air B&B, because the visitors looked like bikers. She responded that it is not unlawful to be a biker, but if there were unlawful issues, the resident should contact the Police Department.

Adjourn. Huddle moved to adjourn the meeting. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14949). Mayor Stephenson adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:08 P.M.

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 July 18, 2022, regular meeting.