

The Oakley City Council met in regular session on November 2, 2020, in the meeting room at the Oakley Fire Station, 215 Hudson Avenue, and streamed live at <https://www.facebook.com/discoveroakley/live> at 7:00 PM. Mayor Stephenson presided.

Council members present. Leasa Huddle, Russ Kahle, and Ilene Nickel; Chris Dorman was present via Zoom.

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 7:00 PM.

Minutes. Kahle moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2020, special meeting, as presented. Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11432).

Nickel moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2020, regular meeting, as presented. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11433).

Nickel moved to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2020, special meeting, as presented. Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11434).

AP Payment Registers. Huddle moved to approve the October 30, 2020, AP Payment Register, for checks dated October, 30, 2020, to be paid out of the Non-Interest Bearing Project Fund (SPARK) in the amount of \$149.90 (Check No. 1006). Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11435).

Nickel moved to approve the October 30, 2020, AP Payment Register, for checks dated October 30, 2020, in the amount of \$29,355.37 (Check Nos. 321-322; and 47064-47090). Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11436).

Time Entry Report. Kahle moved to approve the Time Entry Report for October 4, 2020, to October 17, 2020, dated October 21, 2020, for the October 23, 2020, payroll, in the amount of \$44,106.45, for 2,198.91 hours (Check Nos. 17292-17293; ACH Nos. 95436-95467; AP Check Nos. 47060-47063; Wire Nos. 605-608). Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11437).

Citizen Request to Speak. None.

Department Head Reports. Included in Administrator's Report.

NEW DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Real Estate Contract – 411 W. 2nd Street. Administrator Pendergast reviewed financing options for the purchase of the property at 411 W. Second Street, Oakley. Discussion followed. Kahle moved to approve the purchase the property at 411 W. Second Street, Oakley, Kansas, and to pay for it from the Capital Improvement Fund instead of financing it. Clerk Hughes inquired about the amount. Kahle amended his motion to add the purchase price of \$135,000.00. Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11438).

New Water Service – 503 Willow. The Council reviewed an application for new water service at 503 Willow. Kahle moved to approve the installation of new water service at 503 Willow Avenue. Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11439).

FSA City Contribution. Administrator Pendergast inquired if the City Council wishes to provide the \$500 flexible spending account contribution again for 2021. Dorman moved to approve a \$500 flexible spending contribution into each employee's Flexible Spending account, for Fiscal Year 2021, for those

employees who are eligible for the City's Health Insurance benefit. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11440).

Resolution – Rescind Water Watch Resolution No. 2020-04. Huddle moved to approve Resolution 2020-06, rescinding the water watch for the City of Oakley, Kansas, which was implemented with the passage of Resolution 2020-04, on June 15, 2020. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11441).

Mayoral Appointment. Mayor Stephenson appointed Curtis Larshus to the Board of Zoning Appeals, to fulfill an unexpired term through May, 2023. Kahle moved to approve the appointment of Curtis Larshus to the Board of Zoning Appeals, to fulfill an unexpired term through May, 2023. Huddle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11442).

UNFINISHED DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Paperless Council Packets. Administrator Pendergast reported that G&H is still finalizing the platform for this.

RF Water Meters. Nothing at this time.

Water Treatment. Nothing at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Bradley Pendergast, City Administrator. Administrator Pendergast reported on activities of the various City Departments, including snow removal, staff vacancies, and year to date tax revenue and franchise fee revenue. He also included information from Clerk Hughes on reasons supporting the hiring of a fourth person in the City Office, at the request of Councilman Dorman.

Leann Hughes, City Clerk. Clerk Hughes expressed her disappointment in the lack of timely response with G&H Computer Services. She explained some of the issues she has had with her computer each time they make any changes, and ongoing issues with her email.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Council Member Dorman asked that the Council consider the addition of a full time position to the City Office staff and review the reasons submitted to support this.

Mayor Stephenson noted he will not be available for the next scheduled regular Council Meeting on November 16. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Council to move the next regular City Council meeting from Monday, November 16, 2020, at 7:00 PM to Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn. Huddle moved to adjourn the meeting. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#11443). Mayor Stephenson adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:40 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 November 18, 2020, meeting.

