

The Oakley City Council met in regular session on October 4, 2021, in the meeting room at the Oakley City Office, 415 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Stephenson presided.

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

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

Others present. John Holzmeister.

Call to order. Mayor Stephenson called the regular meeting to order at approximately 7:06 PM.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting. Zerr moved to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2021, regular meeting, as presented. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14726).

Approval of AP Payment Register. Clerk Hughes noted that Check No. 48197 was voided in the AP Payment Journal because it was an automatic withdrawal for sales tax. Kahle moved to approve the September 30, 2021, AP Payment Register, for checks dated September 30, 2021, in the adjusted amount of \$73,378.26 (Check Nos. 48172; 48178; 48180-48196; and 48198-48212; Check No. 48197 voided) after subtracting Check No. 48197, in the amount of \$929.65, which was voided. Zerr seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14727).

Zerr moved to approve the September 30, 2021, AP Payment Register, dated September 30, 2021, for Check No. 374 (automatic withdrawal), to replace Voided Check No. 48197, in the amount of \$929.65. Winger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14728).

Zerr moved to approve the September 24, 2021, Treasurer Check No. 48179, in the amount of \$8.55. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14729).

Approval of Time Entry Report. Zerr moved to approve the Time Entry Report for September 5, 2021, to September 18, 2021, dated September 22, 2021, for the September 24, 2021, payroll, in the amount of \$53,440.87 for 2,449.69 hours (Check Nos. 17436-17439; ACH Nos. 96290-96324; AP Check Nos. 48173-48177; Wire Nos. 703-706). Winger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14730).

Citizen Request to Speak. None.

Department Head Reports. Police and Communications reports were distributed to the Council.

#### NEW DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Airport Consultant Selection. Administrator Sloan reported two Statements of Qualifications were received for consideration in the Airport Consultant Selection Process; Lochner out of Kansas City and EBH Engineering, out of their Goodland, Kansas, office. Sloan noted the Airport Board met to review the bids and formulated a recommendation; however, Sloan suggested the Council may want to table this item for review by a full Council. The Mayor and Council were in agreement and this topic was tabled for consideration at the next regular meeting.

KDHE Consent Order - Water. Administrator Sloan discussed the draft KDHE Consent Order included in the Council packets, which is needed because of the nitrate violations the City has been experiencing. He explained this order establishes a time line to finish implementing a plan to reduce the nitrate levels in the City's water. Zerr moved to approve the draft KDHE Consent Order, as presented. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14731).

## UNFINISHED DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Resolution 2021-06 – Fixing Date and Time for Hearing on 200 Center. Zerr moved to approve Resolution No. 2021-06, fixing the date and time for a hearing on an unsafe or dangerous structure. Winger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14732).

22 Acre Lease Bids. Administrator Sloan reported one bid was received for the 22-acre lease of city property and he suggested the Council may want to table this item for review by a full Council. The Mayor and Council were in agreement and this topic was tabled for consideration at the next regular meeting. Sloan stated he had not opened the bid yet and inquired if the Council wishes to have bids unopened until meeting time or if they would prefer he open bids and provide a synopsis of bids received to the Council. It was the consensus of the Council for Sloan to open bids when received and provide a synopsis to them.

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Brock Sloan, City Administrator. Administrator Sloan reported Trent Alexander with the Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) conducted an inspection of city facilities on September 30, 2021. Alexander found some minor items, but nothing major and he noted the City will need to implement an annual tornado and fire drill for all of the employees. Sloan also reported he received notification from Kansas Municipal Insurance Trust (KMIT) that the City is not eligible to participate in their start-up of a group medical program solution for member cities this year, due to the city's overall claim experience exceeding the expected average claim experience by more than 10%. The City may be eligible in future years.

Leann Hughes, City Clerk. No report.

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Council Member Zerr stated that he contacted some contractors to inquire about the cost of leveling the ground on the 22-acre property the City is considering leasing and they estimated the cost at \$5,000.00.

Council Member Kahle inquired of Sloan whether he had spoken with Logan County about the possibility of working together to hire an Economic Development Director. Sloan stated he had not yet, but it is on his calendar.

Mayor Stephenson reported he received a letter from the Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center out of Scott City, Kansas, requesting the City consider additional funding due to the loss of some of their federal funding. Stephenson asked Sloan to research the matter and place it on the agenda for consideration at the next meeting.

Adjourn. Zerr moved to adjourn the meeting. Kahle seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Action (#14733). Mayor Stephenson adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:19 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 October 18, 2021, regular meeting.

