

Odessa Town Council Minutes
October 22, 2018

PUBLIC HEARING REVENUE SOURCES

Mayor Crossley opened the Public Hearing for 2019 Revenue Sources at 7:00 p.m. Present were Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Kramer, Police Chief Clark, Fire Chief Strebeck, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizens. Councilmember Lobe and Councilmember Watkins were absent. Mayor Crossley discussed the Revenue sources for the General Fund and the necessary annual increase in property taxes. Mayor Crossley answered one question from the public. There were no other comments.

PUBLIC HEARING TAX LEVY

Mayor Crossley opened the Public Hearing for the 2019 Tax Levy at 7:02 p.m. Present were Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Kramer, Police Chief Clark, Fire Chief Strebeck, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizens. Councilmember Lobe and Councilmember Watkins were absent. Mayor Crossley discussed the 2019 tax levy rate increase. There were no questions or comments from the public.

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Present were Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Kramer, Police Chief Clark, PWD Webster, Clerk/Treasurer Snead and public citizens. Councilmember Lobe and Councilmember Watkins were absent.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- The minutes of the October 8, 2018 regular meeting were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

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APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

- The October 22nd Claims checks # 8125-8134 plus one EFT for a total of \$520,458.48 were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Karen Weber spoke on the animal issues and requested that council not make decisions to change the OMC to appease just **a few** citizens as she felt it is council's responsibility to consider the community **as a whole**.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Joyce McNeil- Rabbits - discussion ensued from Ms. McNeil and the public, both for and against, regarding rabbits and other animals within the city limits. Councilmember Iverson reported that the Town Hall Office will soon be notified of Service Animals in the Town. Councilmember Kramer and Councilmember Hunt chose to table the animal issues until more councilmembers are in attendance.
- The Airport Project Change Order #1 was discussed and approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Hunt.

NEW BUSINESS

- Abby Reyes- Odessa Memorial Hospital, requested council approval to temporarily set up tents in the intersection of 2nd Ave and 5th St for the Hospital's Disaster Relief drill. Council approved by consensus.

- Stephen Nelson – Century West Engineering reported on Projects. The CDBG Sewer Planning Grant SEPA and NEPA Environmental Review are ready for the Mayor’s signature.
- Mr. Nelson asked for a motion from council to move forward with the CDBG Water Project contingent upon approval by funding agencies with Century West and Town of Odessa. The Public Hearing will need to be held Nov 26th. Councilmember Kramer so motioned with Councilmember Hunt seconding. Motion passed.
- Levy Certification and Resolution 2018-10 Property Tax were approved upon a vote by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Iverson.

FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Strebeck announced that there is open burning until Nov 19th and discussed the \$10,000.00 BNSF grant and other contributors for the new side by side.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Clark reported on departmental activities. DEA Drug Take Back Day is Oct 27th.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

PWD Webster reported on departmental activities.

COUNCIL REPORT

There were no council reports.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Crossley met with the FBLA Seniors and replacing windows for the OTH is on their project list. PWD Webster, Councilmember Watkins and Mayor Crossley will be attending the IACC Conference.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Crossley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor William F. Crossley

ATTEST:

Denise Snead, Clerk-Treasurer