

Odessa Town Council Minutes
September 10, 2018

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crossley called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Present were Town Attorney Mark DeWulf, Councilmember Kramer, Councilmember Hunt, Councilmember Iverson, Councilmember Watkins, Councilmember Lobe, PWD Webster, Fire Chief Strebeck, Chief Clark, Clerk-Treasurer Snead, and public citizens.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Town Attorney DeWulf may discuss Nuisance Ordinance 696.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A motion was made by Councilmember Kramer to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2018 regular meeting with corrections and the minutes of the Sept 6, 2018 Special Meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Lobe and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

- The August Treasurer's Report, August Payroll consisting of 1 eft and checks # 8002-8031 in the amount of \$50,019.17 and September 10, 2018 claims checks #8001, 8045-8069 in the amount of \$96,108.87 were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Hunt.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Town Attorney DeWulf discussed the legal documents involved with the current Airport-Runway-Project-required relocation of the Airport Road. Council approved the signing of the documents upon a motion by councilmember Watkins, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.
- Town Attorney DeWulf discussed the Jerry Schafer plat contract with council. Councilmember Iverson made a motion to terminate the 1999 Petition for Annexation, Annexation Agreement and Declaration of Covenant between the Town of Odessa and Jerry Schafer contingent upon an additional agreement releasing the Town from any responsibility for repairs and maintenance on the waterlines and requiring Town inspection and pre-approval of any work done on the waterlines, seconded by Councilmember Lobe. Motion passed.
- Town Attorney briefly discussed Nuisance Ordinance 696.
- Council discussed the Dangerous Dog portion of the OMC. Councilmember Iverson suggested the addition of "domestic animal" to OMC 6.08.030-Section E, council agreed by consensus, and the Amendment will be ready for the next regular meeting.
- Mr. Ott was on the agenda but was not in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

- Building Permits #2018-22-demo, 2018-23- chain link fence and 2018-24 – fence were approved upon a motion by Councilmember Watkins and seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

- Council discussed Ms. Gundstrom's request for an exception to the OMC concerning an Emotional Support Rabbit and her request to change the status of Rabbits in the OMC from livestock to pets. Councilmember Hunt made a motion to change the status of rabbits to pets with stipulations. There was no second. Council chose to put this on momentary hold to see if the next livestock issue would help in this decision.
- Ms. Alyssa Iverson presented council with a request for a waiver to the Livestock portion of the OMC and a hog pen-building plan to allow SAE and 4-H hogs on their property 4 ft inside the city limits. Council discussed this issue and decided to hold a Public Hearing for the next regular meeting date.
- Council revisited Ms. Gundstrom's rabbit issue. After further discussion Councilmember Iverson seconded the motion by Councilmember Hunt to change the status of rabbits in the OMC. Upon clarification of the stipulations Ms. Gundstrom commented that those stipulations would not work. Councilmember Hunt withdrew her motion. Councilmember Watkins made a motion to keep the OMC regarding rabbits as it is written and to allow Ms. Gundstrom the one emotional support rabbit as prescribed by the physician's letter, contingent upon Ms. Gundstrom obtaining neighborhood approval signatures. Councilmember Kramer seconded the motion. Councilmember Iverson opposed. Motion passed by majority.

FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Strebeck reported on departmental activities.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Clark reported on departmental activities.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

PWD Webster reported on departmental activities.

COUNCIL REPORT

There were no council reports.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Crossley reminded Council that the next QUADCO meeting is Nov 8th in Ephrata at 10 AM.

ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Crossley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Mayor William F. Crossley

ATTEST:

Denise Snead, Clerk-Treasurer