

Odessa Town Council Minutes  
Monday, September 12, 2016-7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hubbard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Hubbard, Councilmember Goetz, Councilmember Watkins, Councilmember Crossley, Councilmember Lobe, Councilmember Kramer, PWD Webster, Police Chief Clark, Fire Chief Strebeck, Clerk-Treasurer Kiesz and public citizens.

APPROVAL COUNCIL MINUTES

The Council minutes of August 22, 2016 were approved and carried upon a motion by Councilmember Crossley, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

APPROVAL SEPTEMBER BILLS-APPROVAL AUGUST PAYROLL-APPROVAL TREASURER'S REPORT

- Claims Clearing Checks No. 6375 thru 6409, plus EFT totaling \$202,819.14
- Payroll Clearing Checks No. 6342 thru 6374, plus EFT totaling \$42,940.81
- August Treasurer's Report

were approved and carried upon a motion by Councilmember Lobe, seconded by Councilmember Watkins.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

R. Grandy of LPCA addressed the Council regarding decreasing the number of ERUs the facility is being charged monthly and amending the waste water discharge surcharge levels. Discussion was held and it was the Council's decision to decrease the number of ERU's charged per month to four, effective September 1, 2016, upon a motion approved and carried by Councilmember Goetz, seconded by Councilmember Watkins.

No further decisions were made, with Matt Morkert of CenturyWest investigating the amending of waste water discharge levels permitted and will report back to the Council with his findings.

J. Boss addressed the Council concerning drainage issues to his property due to water runoff. No decision was made, with PWD Webster to develop a plan and report back to the Council with the information.

CENTURYWEST

Matt Morkert of CenturyWest Engineering addressed the Council regarding the Pavement Management Plan, with decisions on streets involved to occur in November.

Matt added that QUADCO is accepting project applications, with sidewalks and trails being looked at for the next four years.

He also reported that Ellie of DOE informed him that a sewer plan for the Town will be difficult for the Town to do. The scope cannot be reduced and a plan must be in place before funds could be received.

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It was added that DOE has a planning and construction program, which would be a 50/50 loan/grant. He added the application is due October 21<sup>st</sup> and he would be doing a scope of work.

It was reported that PWD Webster and Mayor Hubbard would be attending the IACC Conference.

#### AMERIFARMS

Connor Deife addressed the Council regarding his request for connection to the Town water system for the processing plant he is planning to erect west of town. Mr. Deife was informed that further information must be gathered before a determination can be made.

#### ANNEXATION

Councilmember Lobe reported he has a template which he will deliver to the Town Attorney.

#### GRINDER PUMP ISSUES

PWD Webster reported to the Council his desire to develop information for the public, regarding flushable items.

#### APPROVAL BUILDING PERMITS

- Building Permit 2016-15 for a fence at 110 W Fourth Ave.
- Building Permit 2016-16 for a re-roof at 8 E. First Ave.
- Building Permit 2016-17 for a re-roof at 501 S. Division St.

were approved and carried upon a motion by Councilmember Watkins, seconded by Councilmember Lobe.

#### LEXIPOL

Police Chief Clark presented information to the Council regarding Lexipol, a police manual subscription service. No decisions were made and the matter was tabled for further discussion.

#### BODY CAMERAS

Police Chief Clark presented information to the Council regarding the purchase of new body cameras, through a three-year program, as the previous purchased cameras are not adequate for professional use. He added he is currently looking into returning the previous purchased cameras. The Council authorized the purchase of new body cameras, upon a motion approved and carried by Councilmember Lobe, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

#### FIRE REPORT

Fire Chief Strebeck reported on departmental activities. He also reported that the Town's fire rating has changed from a Class 7 to a Class 6, effective January 1, 2017.

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#### POLICE REPORT

Police Chief Clark reported on departmental activities. He added that he has created a Facebook page for the department. Public Records training cost will be split with administration.

#### PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

PWD Webster reported on departmental activities. He added that the furnace in the Old Town Hall is in need of repairs and that the Old Town Hall Rejuvenation Group will be paying for the repairs.

#### COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORT

Councilmember Goetz and Councilmember Watkins reported on AWC Budget Class they attended.

Councilmember Crossley informed the Council of public concerns of decreased camping availability by the park due to the planned youth activities in the volleyball area of the park. It was the Council's decision to reduce the area of no camping during the youth activities.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

No report was given.

Marlon Schafer addressed the Council regarding the possible purchase of a new float truck. No decision was made.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further matters to discuss, Mayor Hubbard adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

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Lois Hubbard, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gail Kiesz, Clerk-Treasurer

