

CITY OF OSAGE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
August 9, 2022

ROLL CALL: Now on this 9th day of August 2022, the Governing Body of the City of Osage City, Kansas, met at the Osage City Council Chamber in said City. The following members being present and participating to wit: Mayor: James Peterson. Council Members: Cathryn Houghton, Brian Stromgren, Bruce Schoepflin, Jeff Tice, Mike Gilliland, Sharon Larson and Jeanette Swarts. Officials present: Rick Godderz, City Attorney; Rod Willis, City Manager; Katie Hodge, Deputy City Manager/City Treasurer; Terri Fultz, City Clerk; Sadie Boos, Deputy City Clerk; Dale Schwieger, Utility Director and Corey Linton, Recreation Director. Others: Eric Tincher, Lynn Tice, Paige Burk, Logan White, Shirley Bausman, Mike Handly. Chuck Torres. Remotely: Janet Steinle.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion made by Schoepflin, second by Larson to approve the amended agenda. The motion was declared carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: None

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of July 26, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Schoepflin, second by Gilliland to approve the consent agenda. The motion was declared carried.

BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

1. Recognition for Osage City Aquatic Center lifeguards Luke Kerns, Paige Burk, Jorjia Kitselman, Chase Williams, Logan White and Weston Dunbar for their heroic actions in two back-to-back lifesaving events on Sunday July 31st. OCAC Manager Lynn Tice is extremely proud of their lifesaving actions and the Osage City community is fortunate these well-trained lifeguards were on duty – OCAC Manager Lynn Tice:

City Council recognized the lifeguards' lifesaving events that happened on Sunday July 31st at the Osage City Aquatic Center. In attendance to the meeting were Paige Burk, Logan White and Lynn Tice to accept the recognition. Luke Kerns, Jorjia Kitselman, Chase Williams and Weston Dunbar we all gone on their school trip to Yellowstone National Park. Lynn expressed how proud she was of her lifeguards for being very attentive and proactive to the events that happened.

- 2. Appointment of Ward 2 City Council Member vacancy resulting from the resignation of former Council Member Karey Heiserman. Expression of Interest applications have been received from Shirley Bausman of 222 Market Street and Michael Handly of 118 Holliday Street. Upon appointment the oath of office will be given by City Clerk Terri Fultz:**

Both Shirley Bausman and Michael Handly were present and gave a brief introduction about themselves and answer any questions the City Council might have.

Motion made by Larson, second by Schoepflin, after a nomination for Shirley Bausman by Larson, to appoint Shirley Bausman to fill the Ward 2 Council Member position resulting from a resignation of Ward 2 Council Member Karey Heiserman. The motion was declared carried.

- 3. Kansas House 76th District Candidate Chuck Torres introduction to City Council:**

Kansas House 76th District Candidate Chuck Torres was present to introduce himself to the City Council and explained his position on several items of importance to him. He said he would be introducing himself to citizens around town by knocking on doors. The Mayor and City Council thanked him for attending the meeting and introducing himself.

- 4. Citizen Concerns – Council Member Jeanette Swarts and what is forth coming to alley work left by previous contractor of the Sanitary Sewer Improvement Phases and when the alley will be fixed:**

Council Member Swarts explained she had received several text messages from property owner Janet Steinle that lives at 230 Ellinwood Street about the alley and asking when the City would be back to clean and shape up her yard and alley.

Mayor Peterson asked for guidance from City Attorney Rick Godderz on a response to the concerns. City Attorney Rick Godderz and Utility Director Dale Schwieger explained that the City was still waiting on direction from the Bonding Company. The City's concern was if the City went in and completed the alley repairs would the Bonding Company reimburse the City for the costs. This would be something that would have to be discussed with the Bonding Company first. The Mayor and City Council apologized for the delay of repairing the alley due to the sewer improvement project being on hold. A follow up with more information will be brought back at the next City Council meeting.

- 5. Approval of recommended changes to Policy Book 6-1-3 D 1 and D 4 for Utility Service Extension for Electric Service inside City Limits, and C 5 outside City Limits, as highlighted in red lettering – Utilities Director Dale Schwieger:**

Utility Director Dale Schwieger explained that this item has come up due to in the fact that Robert Brenner is planning to build a new home in the Huffman Addition. It would be impossible to get behind the home if ever there was a need to do anything to the electric service if it was put in as overhead.

The recommendation is that a change be approved to the Policy Book 6-1-3 D1 and D4 and C5 Utility Service Extension for electric service inside and outside the city limits to provide the City an alternative to put in an underground electric service. It also would be recommended to add a change to the policy that would require the customer to put in a 200-amp meter socket allowing nothing smaller. The cost to put the underground electric service would be a cost to the City.

Motion made by Tice, second by Gilliland to approve the change to Policy Book 6-1-3 D1 and D4 Utility Service Extension for Electric Service inside City Limits and C5 outside City Limits. The motion was declared carried.

- 6. Review and approval of Service Line Warranties of America mailing materials to the residential homeowners in Osage City. Tabled 7-26-22 to replace the word “selected” with “authorized” as recommended by City Council – Utilities Director Dale Schwieger:**

Motion made by Stromgren, second by Schoepflin to approve the Service Line Warranties of America mailing materials to residential homeowners in Osage City with the wording revisions. The motion was declared carried.

- 7. Kansas Municipal Gas Agency (KMGA) Regional Meeting at the Santa Fe Depot in Osage City is Tuesday August 16th at 10:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required, so City Council members wishing to attend should notify City Clerk Terri Fultz to be registered for the hand-out materials and lunch count:**

City Manager Rod Willis gave the Mayor and City Council the information of the upcoming Kansas Municipal Gas Agency (KMGA) Regional Meeting. If any of them were interested in attending to let either himself or Terri know and we would pre-register them.

- 8. KDOT Aviation 2022 Airport Pavement Management Plan draft for review with any comments due by August 19th to Jarrett Skaggs, Project Engineer Aviation Team at Garver Engineering:**

City Manager Rod Willis provided the City Council information about the KDOT Aviation 2022 Airport Pavement Management Plan draft. Jarrett Skaggs with Garver Engineering requested review and if any comments are added to get them back to him by August 19th.

9. Request for update on Asset LifeCycle - Council Member Bruce Schoepflin:

Council Member Schoepflin asked if City Staff could check on whether Asset LifeCycle is still working on cleaning up the property or where they were at since there doesn't seem to be any progress being made. City Manager Rod Willis said Quintin Robert is Asset LifeCycle's representative so he will be asked to attend the next council meeting and give an update.

ADJOURNMENT: At the request of Council Member Larson at 8:05 p.m., and on her motion, seconded by Council Member Schoepflin and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED: _____

**James Peterson
Mayor**

ATTESTED: _____

**Teresa Fultz
City Clerk**