

CITY OF OSAGE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
July 23, 2024

ROLL CALL: Now on this 23rd day of July 2024, 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 Brian Stromgren. Council Members: Susan Smith, Mike Gilliland, Shirley Bausman, Mike Handly, Jeanette Swarts, Cathryn Houghton, Jeff Tice. Officials present: Rick Godderz, City Attorney; Katie Hodge, City Manager; Sadie Boos, City Treasurer; Amy Woodward, City Clerk; Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director. Others Present: Jake Sand, 4-H Board & Jim Paul, Fair Board.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Swarts, second by Handly to approve the amended agenda. The motion was declared carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Daniel Davis, Managing Editor Osage County Herald - Chronicle

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of July 9, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Tincher, second by Tice to approve the consent agenda. The motion was declared carried.

BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

1. **Demo Derby overview—Jake Sands, 4-H Board (Information)**

4-H Board Member, Jake Sand, reviewed the outcome in the 2024 Demolition Derby.

Motion made by Tincher to approve Jake Sand work with the Fair Board to set the dates for the 2025 Demo Derby, considering Saturday, April 26, 2025 or, Saturday, May 3, 2025, second by Houghton. The motion was declared carried.

2. **Carnival overview—Jim Paul, Fair Board (Information)**

Fair Board Member, Jim Paul, reviewed the outcome of the 2024 Fair Carnival.

3. **Approve Brian Stromgren, Mayor, to join the Industrial Committee as a Council Representative—Katie Hodge, City Manager (Action Required)**

Motion made by Tincher, second by Tice to approve Mayor Stromgren to join the Industrial Committee as a Council Representative. The motion was declared carried.

4. **Approve FIT Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$23,900 for the water leak at the Water Plant—Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director (Action required)**

Motion made by Smith, second by Houghton to approve the City of Osage City to pay FIT Excavating, Inc. invoice in the amount of \$23,900.00. The motion was declared carried.

5. **Ribbon Cutting for Solar Farm on north 4th Street in late October or early November—Katie Hodge, City Manager (Action Required)**

Mayor Stromgren recommended October 25th if possible.

Motion made by Handly, second by Houghton to allow the City Manager, Katie Hodge, to work with Evergy to set a date for a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Solar Farm. The motion was declared carried.

6. **Appoint Katherine (Katie) Hodge as the alternate to serve on the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency Board of Directors Katie Hodge, City Manager (Action Required)**

Motion made by Swarts, second by Tice to appoint Katie Hodge, City Manager, as the alternate of the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency Board of Director. The motion was declared carried.

7. **Approval of Resolution No. 1118 to set a hearing before the Governing Body allowing the property owners/lienholders to appear and show cause why such structures located at 204 Lord Street should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as unsafe, dangerous and unfit for habitation structures (Action Required)**

Motion made by Swarts, second by Handly to approve Resolution No. 1118 Fixing a Time and Place and Providing for Notice of a Hearing before the Governing Body of the City of Osage City, Kansas, on September 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Room located at 221 S. 5th Street in Osage City, at which time the Owners, and/or any Lienholders of Record and Occupants of the Property and Structure located at: Lots 32, 34 and 36 in Block 23, City of Osage City, commonly known as 204 Lord Street, may appear and show cause as to why such structures should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as unsafe, dangerous and unfit for habitation structures. The motion was declared carried.

8. **Approve Kirkham Michael as the Airport Consultant for the City of Osage City—Katie Hodge, City Manager (Action Required)**

Motion made by Gilliland, second by Tice to approve Kirkham Michel to be the Airport Consultants for the City of Osage City's Municipal Airport. The motion was declared carried.

9. **Update on SFY 2026/2027 City Connecting Link Improvement Program (CCLIP)--Katie Hodge, City Manager (Information)**

The City of Osage City did not receive the CCLIP grant applied for in March 2024 for pavement restoration. The City will apply again when the grant opens again.

10. City Hall hours (Discussion)

City Staff discussed with City Council changing the hours of City Hall to 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to better serve citizens and align with City Departments.

Motion made by Tincher, second by Handly for City Hall staff adopt the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. beginning September 1, 2024. The motion was declared carried.

11. Creating a plan for Untagged/Vehicle for Salvage Katie Hodge, City Manager (Discussion)

City Manager Katie Hodge discussed with City Council the desire to create an incentive plan for residents to dispose of junk vehicles.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Smith for City Staff to draft a junk car program with guidelines, application and reimbursement recommendations to be brought back to the City Council for review. The motion was declared carried.

12. 619 Market (Discussion)

City Manager Katie Hodge shared with City Council that the City of Osage City took possession of 619 Market Street on July 15th and encouraged City Council to entertain discussion as to what the City will do with the building.

13. Eric Tincher resignation from City Council

Councilman Tincher submitted to City Council his resignation effective August 13th, after the City Council meeting on this date, due to him moving out of the City.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Houghton to accept Tincher's resignation effective August 13th, 2024 after the City Council meeting on this date. The motion was declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

At the request of Council Member Bausman and on her motion, seconded by Council Member Smith and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED: Brian D. Stromgren
Brian D. Stromgren, Mayor

ATTESTED: Amy Woodward
Amy Woodward, City Clerk

