

**Oakley City Council Meeting
Thursday, November 15, 2012
Oakley City Hall 7:00 p.m.**

Attending: Councilmen Alton Frazier, Ron Bowen, Les England, and Eric Rose

City Staff: City Treasurer Tami Stevenson

Others Attending: Gerald Young, Ken Woolstenhulme, Sam Aplanap, and Chandler Rose

Excused: Mayor Blake L. Frazier and Councilman Tiny Woolstenhulme

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Preliminary Items

- A. Welcome & Introductions: Councilman Alton Frazier
- B. Pledge of Allegiance & Prayer: Councilman Les England

3. Public Hearing—Bowen Subdivision

The City Planner explained the subdivision to the City Council. There will be two lots. Lot 1 will have 10.384 acres and Lot 2 will have 0.507 acres. This will use all of the density for the acreage.

Sam Aplanap asked if it was 5 acre zoning did that mean that the lot size had to be 5 acres. The City Planner stated no, but no matter the lot size it would use the 5 acre density. No other public input was made.

Councilman Les England made a motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Bowen Subdivision and Councilman Rose seconded the motion. All voted in favor, motion passed

4. New Business

A. Rodeo Committee

Gerald Young stated that the rodeo committee had been working diligently on the upcoming rodeo. They had renewed the stock contract with Kirby. Kirby asked for a \$1,500.00 increase per performance. That would increase the cost from \$42,000.00 to \$48,000.00, with a 3 year contract.

Zoli's 3 year contract is up as well. The rodeo committee discussed with him about putting 2 large screens on the west end of the arena. They would have to have some engineering things done to see if the stands would hold both screens. This couldn't be completed by the 2013 rodeo. They decided to enter into a 1 year contract for \$33,000.00.

The timed events have created problems for the cowboys. They have always had 2 head of stock, one usually done in slack and 1 in the main rodeo. If the cowboy didn't do well in slack then they usually

wouldn't come back for the main rodeo. In order to alleviate the problem the rodeo committee decided to raise the prize money and give each cowboy 1 head of stock. The City was paying \$50,400.00 in prize money for the timed events. They raised the prize money to \$70,000.00 for the timed events. Gerald Young stated this would move our rodeo up to about 5th in the rodeo standings.

Commissioner Frazier asked what the total increase in the budget would be. Gerald said it would be a \$23,000.00 increase. Commissioner Frazier wanted to know if they had anything in mind that City Council could do to help. Ken Woolstenhulme said one way to help would be try to find sponsors, people they haven't thought of.

Gerald Young says he has heard talk that money is walking out of the concessions. The rodeo committee thinks the town should invest in cash registers. Councilman England stated the Council has had lengthy discussions about this matter. There were also concerns about how the Lyons Club bills the City for what they sell during the celebration.

Councilman Bowen told the rodeo committee that the Council would need to see their budget before they could vote on it. Councilman Frazier asked when their budget was due. Ken said he thought it was due just after the first of the year.

Ken Woolstenhulme said they needed some large pens to put stock in. He knows that when Tiny signed a lease with the City for the property north east of the rodeo grounds, Tiny was suppose to vacate the property during the celebration. Councilman England asked to have a copy of the lease at the next council meeting for review.

B. Whitaker land sale

Councilman Frazier asked the Council to come to an agreement and a price for the Whitaker property. Councilman Frazier stated that first we would have to get the original owners permission to sell a piece off of the original 59 acres, and then we would have to have a public hearing and then put it out for bid. There was a lengthy discussion on the Whitaker land sale

Councilman England stated the point of discussion tonight is the valuation of the property. The City has already agreed to sell the property. He proposes that we go back with a price high enough that Whitaker will think twice about purchasing the property.

Councilman Frazier said we should take it to the City Attorney and follow his advice.

Councilman Les England made a motion to send a letter addressed to Mr. Whittaker from the mayor that we've had a vote that we will sell the property for 60,000.00 even for the 1.83 acres that set forth on his survey. Councilman Rose seconded the motion with the conditions that it's agreed upon through the city, and through our lawyer and goes through the proper channels. All voted in favor, motion passed

C. July 4th banner

Councilman Frazier handed out a copy of a banner, advertising the Oakley 4th of July Celebration. He asked the Council for input about the design. Most Councilmen thought the design was too busy and thought one that was simpler would be better. Councilman Bowen would like to see an electric sign at

the arena to advertise not only the rodeo but all events that are held at the arena. Councilman Frazier will contact the banner company and try to produce something simpler.

D. Discussion on culinary water & sewer rate study

It was agreed that the Council would have read the rate study by the next Council meeting on Dec 13, 2012, so that there could be a discussion about the study.

5. Approval of Minutes- from November 1 2012

Councilman Bowen made a motion to accept revised minutes. Councilman Rose seconded the motion. All voted in favor, motion passed

Councilman Bowen made a motion to adjourn. Councilman England seconded the motion. All voted in favor

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes accepted as to form this _____ day of December 2012.

Mayor Blake L. Frazier

City Treasurer Tami Stevenson