

Oakley City Council Meeting
Monday October 16, 2017
Oakley City Red Barn
6:00 p.m.

Attending: Mayor Woolstenhulme, Councilors Tom Smart, Steve Wilmoth, Lorrie Hoggan, Joe Frazier and Tiny Woolstenhulme

City Staff: City Recorder Tami Stevenson

Others Attending: Brian Deter, Les England, Melissa Booth, Braxton Booth, Robert Bingham, Chris Hanson, Jack Walkenhorst

Excused:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Preliminary Items

- A. Welcome & Introductions: Mayor Wade Woolstenhulme
- B. Pledge of Allegiance & Prayer: Pledge by Councilor Frazier and Prayer by Mayor Woolstenhulme
- C. Approval of Minutes

October 02, 2017

Councilor Smart made a motion to approve the minutes of October 2, 2017. Councilor Hoggan seconded the motion, all voted in favor

- D. Report and Approval of Bills to be paid

Councilor Wilmoth made a motion to pay the bills as noted on the register. Councilor Smart seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

3. New Business

- A. Braxton Booth – Eagle Scout project

Braxton handed the Council a copy of the map for Fransen Estates. When he started the project he was just going to improve the existing trail but after studying it he felt it was a better idea to add a new trail that goes around the park. His plan would be to upgrade the existing trail and build a new one. Braxton's Eagle Scout project is to cut and design the trail. He would have other scouts help cut and clear the trail.

Councilor Hoggan made a motion to approve Braxton Booth's Eagle Scout project. Councilor Wilmoth seconded the motion, all voted in favor

Les England asked if he could piggy back on Braxton's project. South Summit Trails is willing to maintain the trail and help build what they are calling the perimeter trail. Most of the ditches can be crossed with culverts. The intent is a multipurpose trail. They would like to use the \$20,000.00 donation money that was given to the City for trails.

Mayor Woolstenhulme would like south summit trails to bring a budget to the Council to see how much money they would need for the project. If they don't need the full \$20,000.00 the City could use the extra money for another project. This also needs to be on the agenda to make a motion.

B. Discussion with possible motion on Secondary Water project

Mayor Woolstenhulme turned the time over to Bryan Deter from JUB Engineering. The reason there is such a rush to contract with them is because the grant applications become available in November. South Bench is moving ahead with the grant application to pipe their ditches. It won't do the City any good to go in with the South Bench because their ditches aren't high enough to benefit the City. This is why JUB was hoping that the North Bench Ditch would come aboard.

Federal grants that are for planning are usually awarded in the amount of \$25,000.00. The State usually matches \$10,000.00 to 15,000.00. The City would still have to come up with \$10,000.00. After the City goes through the planning grant there will be a construction grant application. The City wouldn't need to have the \$10,000.00 for about a year and a half.

Councilor Frazier indicated that JUB had done a study several years ago on the secondary water. It was his understanding that secondary water wasn't covered under a grant. Bryan stated that secondary water was covered.

Councilor Wilmoth asked if the study includes the Richards ditch. Does this include what water rights we have and if it is possible to purchase more water. JUB would look at different alternatives and that would come under the construction grant.

Councilor Smart stated that he has a lot of experience with the Richards ditch and it is mostly flood irrigation. It has been depended on having enough flow from each neighbor.

There are 2 different studies, 1. How you can use the water that comes from the waste water plant possibly exchange it for water rights since the City is pumping it into the water anyway. 2. A study for how the City can use more of their water rights and save culinary water. This study would look at future growth as well.

Councilor asked about the water smart grant, what could it be used for and how could this benefit the City. This grant is for construction; it has a \$ 300,000.00 pot and will fund 50 percent of the project. The other grants are for the study.

Mayor Woolstenhulme stated that as this point the City has two options. 1. To go in on the study with south bench, which at this point isn't realistic. 2. The City should vote to have JUB write the grants and the City could budget \$10,000.00 in the 2018-2019 budget.

Councilor Frazier made a motion to hire JUB Engineering to start a study of our secondary water system pulling from the Richards ditch and planning for future needs of the secondary water system. The study of what rights we now have. Councilor Wilmoth seconded the motion, Councilor Woolstenhulme voted no, motion passed

C. Possible motion to make a donation to the Kamas Library

Mayor Woolstenhulme asked the Council if they had taken time to review the proposal for a donation to the friends of the Kamas Library. There was a discussion about where the City would get the money. Mayor Woolstenhulme stated that we were getting extra money from renting out the town hall and we had received money from the movie.

Councilor Frazier stated he would abstain from voting due to his position with the County. The Mayor asked for his opinion. He felt it was a poor decision to spend \$500,000.00 to make the building green and not budget for computers. Then turn around and ask Cities for donations isn't right.

Mayor Woolstenhulme asked Councilor Hoggan with her being on the Rap and Restaurant Tax grant approval committee would the City have a better chance of getting those if we donated funds to other organizations. Councilor Hoggan replied that it wouldn't make a difference. The committee looks more at a project being budgeted for.

Councilor Wilmoth made a motion to donate \$2,500.00 to the friends of the Kamas Library. Councilor Hoggan seconded the motion, Councilor Frazier abstained, Councilor Woolstenhulme voted no, motion passed

D. Discussion on the Sewer Plant

Mayor Woolstenhulme opened the discussion by asking Chad what had been done with the sewer plant to make repairs. Chad explained what all he and Scott had taken care of. The Council had received a copy of the repairs that needed to be done from Aqua Engineering. The next step is to finish getting everything cleaned out.

By repairing all of the water leaks around the City, it has cut down the infiltration in the sewer plant by about 80,000 gallons a day. Once the SCADA system is repaired everything will be up and running and then it will be able to be maintained by one person.

Councilor Frazier said in reviewing the report from Aqua it looked like it would cost the City approximately \$300,000.00 to get all the repairs done. He wanted to know if there was any grant money to help with maintenance. That's why we need to raise sewer rates and start putting money away each month so it's there for repairs.

E. Discussion about Oakley Artesian Water

Gary called and wanted to know if they can expand the plant. They want to purchase the land. Mayor Woolstenhulme asked for a proposal to purchase the land. There isn't a proposal tonight but the Mayor would like the Council to keep it in mind.

Councilor Woolstenhulme stated that when the new company took over they should have signed a new contract with the City.

F. Discussion on cell tower proposal with crown castle

Councilor Hoggan stated that when we signed the contract the City would receive \$9,000.00. The Council needs to make a decision by the end of the month. They discussed more about the contract. The Mayor said he thinks it makes sense to sign the contract.

They will check with the attorney and will contact Kamas City and see how much money they are receiving. If they need to get the contract signed then the Council could have a special meeting to sign the contract.

Councilor Frazier made a motion to adjourn

Minutes accepted as to form this 20 day of November, 2017



Mayor Wade Woolstenhulme



City Recorder Tami Stevenson
