City of Orchard Grass Hill City Council Minutes

August 14, 2012

Mayor Yarberry called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

<u>Council Members Present</u>: Bob Dalton

Doug Lalli Scott Pierce Connie Kirchner Jami Springer Jim White

Others Present: Mayor Yarberry

Kyle Hubbard – City Attorney Kim Taylor – City Treasurer Ruth LeMaster – City Clerk Angi Johnston – City Engineer Shannon Johnston – EZStreet

MINUTES

Jim White made a Motion to dispense with the reading of the July, 2012 minutes. Bob Dalton seconded the motion. The Motion passed. Jim White made a Motion to accept the minutes. Bob Dalton seconded the Motion. The Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The June, 2012 Treasurer's Report and 2011-2012 End of Fiscal Year Report was presented by the City Treasurer. Bob Dalton **made a Motion** to accept the June, 2012 Treasurer's Report. Doug Lalli **seconded the Motion**. The July, 2012 Treasurer's Report was presented. Doug Lalli **made a Motion** to accept the July, 2012 Treasurer's Report. Jami Springer **seconded the Motion**. **The Motion passed.**

POLICE REPORT

No Oldham County police were present at today's meeting. The July, 2012 monthly Oldham County police report summary was emailed to all city council members and staff, reviewed and a slight error was discovered in the cover letter.

OLD BUSINESS

Shannon Johnston of EZ Street asked the city council whether city email was working on the new website which is now operational. He will create a specific email address for the City Treasurer on the website. City Treasurer would like him to bill her. Suggestion was made to have more pictures on the website.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

City Engineer distributed the August priority list of repairs. She will be able to focus on the sidewalk project now that she is working in the QK4 office. She is researching a request forwarded to her on 8/13/12 and has contacted both an hydro seed company and an erosion control products company about what will work well with this situation and to obtain quotes. She spoke with the resident that was #4 on list and will meet him next week. She has ordered products for #6 on the list. There is an approved buffer zone between where the neighbor keeps mulch. She will see if there is a way to repair the ditch and create another buffer zone so the ditch doesn't get filled up again.

At the last council meeting, an amendment was made for 7338 W. Orchard Grass Blvd. to see if it is possible to jack up the sidewalk rather than tear it out. If that is not feasible, she will proceed with the project. The project was not on Dale Hettinger's original mapping of sidewalk repairs. Two other sidewalk repairs done in the last year were not on Dale's list either.

City Engineer will arrange with J&B Contractor who is working on 7441 W. Orchard Grass to also remove an overgrown shrub in another part of the city. J & B are able to extend the 24" pipe at 7441 W. Orchard Grass so there won't be further erosion problems. They may apply hydro seeding which takes better than sod and grass, and will not erode. She is looking at that product for the repair on Poplar Hill as well.

Frank Kline repaired the trench with grates in the area between 7434 and 7436 W. Orchard Grass and will look at repairing other grates when Leak Eliminator's is finished with their project and the large trucks are gone.

After the June council meeting, the City Engineer emailed Leak Eliminators about the issues on Sideoats. At 7326 Sideoats the chain link fence has not been repaired (abandoned house). They will be working on it. Doug Lalli will contact someone to clean up the back yard remnants of deck and pool and have the grass mowed before the fence is put back in.

Leak Eliminators have not repaired the sod damage at 7327 Side Oats. Tenants have been watering what grass still exists and the city covered the cost of their water bill for the last few months and will pay a pro-rated portion of the next water bill. Leak Eliminators said they will do a temporary fix this week and when it is grass season in the fall they will do more when they are working on final tasks in the city.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Suit is still pending on the flooring business. The lawyer has not responded to City Attorney's 3 questions. The flooring business truck has been parked down the street from a city council member's residence several times. He will add this as a 4th question.

Attorney has researched the repealed ordinance we had regarding Code Enforcement and passed it out to the city council to look it and make suggestions at the next council meeting.

City Treasurer suggests that the 7417 Side Oats property be forced into a delinquent tax sale over back taxes accumulated since 2003. City Attorney says the Sheriff's office handles delinquent tax sales. The city already has liens on it and it is still getting a disability credit. City Attorney will check whose jurisdiction it is. The City Attorney recently tried calling the daughter of the deceased property owners but it is now a wrong number. City attorney will call Joe Hayden Realtors as it lists the daughter's last

address as being for sale in order to see if there is a way to get in touch with her. It's likely the estate also owes back taxes to the county.

Mayor would like City Treasurer to investigate as to whether either of a tax delinquent's abandoned properties have been sold recently.

Mayor asked city council for any other suggestions for code enforcement board members. Mayor will call Scott Pierce to inquire about whether he spoke to any homeowners.

City Treasurer asked about newsletters which were budgeted. City can create color signs to advertise the new website. Jim White suggested we repair some of the indented grates on W. Orchard Grass. Mayor would like improved curbing on W. Orchard Grass at Autumn Bent. The City may need to do a street survey as well and get an estimate as to what it costs to re-pave.

One streetlight on Autumn Bent and Apple Orchard is still out. Seven others have been fixed.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim White **made a Motion** for the meeting to be adjourned. Doug Lalli **seconded the Motion**. **The Motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
Darlene Yarberry, Mayor and Ruth LeMaster, City Clerk

Next meeting will be on Sept. 11, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.