

City of Orchard Grass Hills City Council Minutes

February 10, 2015

Mayor Doug Lalli called the meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.

Council Members Present: Bob Dalton
Bob McCue
Darren Francis
April Phillips
Eric Vorseth
Scott Pierce

Others Present: Mayor Doug Lalli
Kyle Hubbard – City Attorney
Ruth LeMaster – City Clerk
Mark Adams – City Engineer
Charlie Fudold
Ryan Oldham
Scout Master Bobby Garrett and Scouts from troop 170 – Cameron Blood, Liam Thress, Colton Bowlden, Ben Garrett, Andrew Mortenson, Sam O’Brien, Alex Pina, Dillon Fisher.

Absent: Kim Taylor – City Treasurer

MINUTES

Eric Vorseth **made a Motion** to dispense with the reading of the January 13, 2015 minutes. Bob McCue **seconded the Motion**. Scott Pierce **made a Motion** to accept the January 13, 2015 minutes. Bob McCue **seconded the Motion**. **All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

POLICE REPORT

The January 2015 Oldham County police reports were emailed to city council members and discussed. Officer David Ingram of Oldham County Police was present.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer’s Report for January 2015, and the July thru January 2015 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Report were reviewed and discussed. Scott Pierce **made a Motion** to accept the January 2015 Treasurer’s Report. Bob Dalton **seconded the Motion**. **All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

No city attorney’s report was presented. Mayor commented that contracts were signed by two residents donating easements to the city.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Boy Scout Troop 170 visited the city council meeting and the Mayor welcomed them and introduced to them the city council members and their roles.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The bid approved by council last month was not published due to communication problems with Oldham Era. However, costs were trimmed by the City Engineer and a published bid was no longer required. Cline Construction gave a lump sum bid and can start the work within a couple of weeks. Bob McCue **made a Motion** to approve Cline Construction's bid of \$15,700 for the needed erosion repairs at 9206 and 9208 Foxtail Ct. Scott Pierce **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion Passed.**

City Engineer made estimates as to what work could be done internally and what would be contracted out as far as replacing city signs in city sections 1, 2, and 3a. Section 1 has the greatest number of signs needing replacement requiring approximately \$15,000 for new street signs and for several light poles that would also be used in tandem as street sign poles. The overall could be reduced significantly by the city putting up smaller signs without engaging a sign company. Some signs can also be consolidated onto a single pole. Signarama has given the City Engineer an initial quote for all signage and he has informed the council there are two other companies he has been investigating. The Mayor requests additional quotes.

Mayor requests a subcommittee of himself, Ryan Oldham, City Engineer and Bob McCue to make more detailed decisions regarding signage choices and placement. Bob McCue informed the council he has set a meeting with LGE on February 17th to see what LGE will do about replacing the 30 year old city light poles and invited other council members to attend. The city's contract with LGE has ended and we are on a month to month payment basis with LGE. Once we find out what LGE can provide in the way of new light poles, signs can be then made to match and improve the overall curb appeal of the city.

Resident at Foxtail Ct has a legitimate complaint as she is the low point of the driveway and it has gotten worse over the last few years. City Engineer will investigate.

Mayor received 2 calls regarding whether there are restrictions on widening a single wide driveway. In looking at our policies, the Mayor said there doesn't appear to be anything to prevent this unless it encroaches on someone else's property. Residents will be advised that they need to check with the Oldham County zoning department. Once approved by the zoning department, plans must then be made in conjunction with the City Engineer. Driveway widening may help address some of the illegal parking issues.

Resident at 7512 Millet has an easement behind a fenced area that has become overgrown. Part of that easement may be on another resident's property. Bob Dalton will give City Engineer the resident's contact information. City Engineer will investigate the best way to clean up this area.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor expressed thanks for Jackie Francis' efforts in greeting new residents with a welcome basket. He also expressed that Jackie has several ideas on how to improve the 4th of July party for this year. He asked city council members to continue to brainstorm as to how to improve the aesthetics in the city.

Mayor informed us that the city will be changing to a different storage unit business. Mayor would like assistance from city council members in moving the contents this week-end. An old, large moveable

type sign will be donated to the Pewee Valley Fire Department who will remove it from the old storage unit.

Roger Loyd of Mid-America Firework Distributors sent the Mayor a letter applying for a non-conforming use permit to sell fireworks on the NE corner of Haunz Lane and Hwy 22. The letter was read to the city council. Scott Pierce **made a Motion** to grant a non-conforming use permit to allow Mid-America Fireworks Distributors, Inc. to operate its seasonal fireworks outlet from June 19, 2015 until July 5, 2015. Eric Vorseth **seconded the Motion**. Bob McCue **voted against the Motion**. **The Motion Passed**.

Dongers Market is requesting permission to sell beer. Mayor has asked the City Attorney to draft an ordinance prohibiting the general sale of alcohol in the city in alignment with the City of Crestwood ordinance which does not allow sale of alcohol at present.

Bob McCue **made a Motion** for the meeting to be adjourned. Scott Pierce **seconded the Motion**. **The Motion passed**. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Doug Lalli, Mayor and Ruth LeMaster, City Clerk

Next meeting will be on March 10, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.