

City of Orchard Grass Hills
City Council Minutes
September 13, 2016

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

Council Members Present: Nick Daily
Bob Dalton
Bob McCue
April Phillips
Eric Vorseth

Others Present: Martha Noe– City Treasurer
Ruth LeMaster – City Clerk
Greg Troutman – City Attorney
Mark Adams – City Engineer
Officer Matthew Cornell
Charlie Fudold
Michael Pate
Doreen Goodwin

Absent: Scott Pierce

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

There was no attorney’s report. Mayor introduced new city attorney, Greg Troutman who will be replacing Kyle Hubbard who passed away last month. Greg gave a brief bio of his experience. There is a case with a resident’s foreclosure litigation in which the city is a part.

Mayor reported the county animal control will handle the situation with the resident involved in dog breeding.

MINUTES

Bob Dalton **made a Motion** to dispense with the reading of the August 9, 2016 minutes. Bob McCue **seconded the Motion**. Eric Vorseth **a Motion** to approve the August 9, 2016 minutes. April Phillips **seconded the Motion**. **All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

POLICE REPORT

The August 2016 Oldham County police reports were distributed to the city council prior to the meeting via email and discussed. Officer Cornell gave a brief summary.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Section 2 sidewalk replacement is in full swing barring inclement weather that washed away some of the freshly poured concrete. Cline Construction had to replace that concrete and we are waiting for the approximately \$12,000 bill to be presented.

Hall Contracting is working on a price for the Autumn Bent Way project. One side of the road needs to be curb and gutter. Another side of the road is a nuisance but not an emergency regarding post-rain standing water that eventually evaporates. Repairs on the south side would require creation of a ditch between driveways.

Emergency flooding repair on Sideoats has been in progress over the last 3 months and residents have had standing water and flooding issues during recent rains. Debris has accumulated over the last 40 years and some of it was quagmire causing Cline's machinery to sink, requiring other machinery to drag it out. A lot of the debris was cut but placed on the bank and Mullins will need approximately \$2500 to remove that debris. The repairs issues continue aesthetically as well as functionally. Cline Construction needs an additional \$8790 for work already completed and another \$2000 to finish the rest for a total of about \$11,000. This is beyond the \$20,000 originally approved as this was an emergency flooding situation.

Mayor informed the city council that there is a \$100,000 CD that will roll over on October 15, 2016 that is a potential source of financing for emergency repairs. It was saved for emergency purposes of which this flooding would qualify. Eric Vorseth suggests removing \$15,000 to be used for the emergency repairs and \$85,000 be rolled over in the CD.

Bob McCue **made a Motion** to remove \$15,000 from the \$100,000 CD for emergency flooding repairs. Nick Daily **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion passed.** Bob McCue **made a Motion** to roll over the remainder of the CD. April Phillips **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

Bob Dalton **made a Motion** to approve an amount not to exceed \$15,000 to be paid to Cline Construction and Corey Mullins for the completion of emergency flooding repairs on properties affected on Sideoats Drive. Nick Daily **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

City Treasurer presented the July and August, 2016 Treasurer's Report and the July and August, 2016 Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual reports. Mayor requested these reports be emailed to the city council. City Treasurer read the state regulations regarding collection of delinquent taxes. City Treasurer suggested city council create a city ordinance regarding the process surrounding delinquent city taxes. City attorney recommended this be pursued later in the fiscal year for next year's tax ordinances. City attorney said there are companies that purchase these liens. There are 16 properties that are delinquent.

Eric Vorseth **made a Motion** to accept the July and August, 2016 Treasurer's Report. Bob Dalton **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

A resident was refunded property taxes in error in 2014 and a letter was sent requesting this be returned to the city. The amount was to pay for another resident's property taxes. The City Treasurer will send another letter requesting the funds be returned.

City Treasurer has been clearing up records for approximately \$3800 worth of checks that were issued but never cleared. She provided the city council a list but there is a good number that no longer live in the city and have no contact information. If they cannot be contacted, then the City Treasurer will need to forward this information to the Lost Property Division in Frankfort.

City Treasurer updated city council on the audit. Some adjustments need to be substantiated by the City Treasurer before the auditor can continue. He received his letters of acknowledgement so once the adjustments are made we will receive any funds that have been withheld. The 2013, 2014, and 2015 F-65 city tax forms will need to be amended. We will also need to do an audit every year.

The Mayor recommends paying overtime to the City Treasurer for the number of hours she has spent to clean up the city financial records.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Michael Pate introduced himself to the city council. He is running for family court judge for Oldham, Henry and Trimble counties. Election is November 8th.

Doreen Goodwin is the current interim family court judge who was appointed after Judge Feeley left his position to work in Frankfort. She introduced herself and she is also running for election.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor spoke with Donger's owner and they are waiting on a contract to do repairs on the parking lot. Nick Daily said the owner intends to only re-seal the lot, not re-pave it.

Undeveloped properties behind the Mahan dentist office are owned by the children of Dr. Mahan. They are not maintaining those grassy areas. Dental office has been bought by someone new. There has been complaint that the new sign is too bright.

Bob Dalton said storm water fees are now rolled into county property taxes. The city is not responsible for tax increases by the school board.

Bob Dalton **made a Motion** for the meeting to be adjourned. Nick Daily **seconded the Motion**. **All were in favor. The Motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

Doug Lalli, Mayor and Ruth LeMaster, City Clerk

Next meeting will be on October 11, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.