

City of Orchard Grass Hills

City Council Minutes

January 9, 2018

Mayor Lalli called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

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

Others Present: Mayor Doug Lalli
Martha Noe – City Treasurer
Ruth LeMaster – City Clerk
Greg Troutman – City Attorney
Officer Cornell
Collin Langseth, Nathan Zanewicz, Kim Langseth, Zac Byers,
Gina Byers, Omer Duncan Jr., Joseph Duncan, Max Duncan,
Steve Moss

Absent: Mark Adams – City Engineer

MINUTES

Eric Vorseth **made a Motion** to dispense with the reading of the December 12, 2017 minutes. Bob McCue **seconded the Motion**. Eric Vorseth **made a Motion** to approve the December 12, 2017 minutes. Bob McCue **seconded the Motion**. **All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney summarized the procedure for formulating the new tax ordinance.

Mayor and council discussed procedures for those chronically violating city parking restrictions. One resident was issued a cease and desist order for parking over the sidewalk beside his driveway. Oldham County police does not typically issue parking tickets and deem it a city issue. City Attorney stated a 2004 Ordinance imposes a \$50/day fine for parking violations. City Attorney recommends towing vehicles which will incur an impound fee. Bob McCue said Willow Creek subdivision posts signs up regarding where and how to reclaim towed vehicles.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No Engineers Report this month.

POLICE REPORT

The December 2017 Oldham County police report was discussed. There were six citations and 22 courtesy notices. Officer Cornell said there were car break ins in other parts of Oldham County. Residents should keep their cars locked and should not keep valuables in plain sight.

TREASURER'S REPORT

City Treasurer presented the January 9, 2018 Treasurer's Report for review. City Treasurer also presented the preliminary July – December 2017 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Report, and the December 2017 Check Register. Nick Daily **made a Motion** to accept the Treasurer's Report ending as of December 31, 2017. April Phillips **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion passed.**

City Treasurer & Council discussed the current and prior city tax rates. City has a total of 534 homes. Mayor asked residents attending the meeting to share their thoughts on raising the tax rate. Mayor will talk to City Engineer to estimate needed repair projects for the next 2-3 years to better determine city's financial needs.

Current audit is in process and will be submitted to Dept. of Local Government on time. City Treasurer is in contact with DLG regarding releasing our municipal aid funds now that back audits are completed.

On Jan. 15th the City Treasurer will send a final notice to those with delinquent city taxes. If there is no response a lien will be filed by the City Attorney on February 15th on those properties.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Lalli cautioned City Council that if there is bad weather, Kingsbury will be out salting the roads. Each prior salting this year cost around \$2000-\$3000. Current budget is \$30,000 for snow removal.

Mayor is receiving multiple calls regarding companies requesting to set up a fireworks tent at the mini mart. Nonconforming use permits for fireworks are issued only by the decision of the city council.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Members of Boy Scout Troop 153 were introduced to the city council and actively contributed to the tax rate discussion.

Resident at 7324 Sideoats Drive is experiencing driveway erosion and rain water is pooling on it. The houses on both sides had their aprons repaired. There are no center drains on Sideoats. The rain just runs down the hill. Resident will send photos to City Engineer.

Eric Vorseth **made a Motion** for the meeting to be adjourned. Bob Dalton **seconded the Motion. All were in favor. The Motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

Doug Lalli, Mayor and Ruth LeMaster, City Clerk

Next meeting will be on February 13, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.