

APPROVED  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
09/04/2018

The Onida City Council met on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Office with Mayor Gary Wickersham presiding. Present at Roll Call: LaJena Gruis, Hayden Handcock, Justin Mennenger, Marla Mosiman, Jane Pitlick and Jennifer Soderholm. Also present: Bill Stahl, Emily Sovell, JJ Schall, Sheila Ring, James Soderholm, Tim Gruis, Bob Porter, Kevin Paxton, Robbin Paxton, Tim Jost and Ron Rivenes.

**MINUTES:** Motion by Pitlick seconded by Gruis to approve the minutes from the August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 City Council meeting after the removal of Mosiman being present. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** Jost reported that he was going to get more cold mix from Mobridge. JJ Schall stated that the county is planning on going back up to get some and they would gladly bring some extra down for the city. MCR Pools was here and installed an electrode for the splash park. MCR will be back to winterize the splash park and make repairs to it.

**Sheriff's Office:** Sheriff Stahl reported that they have been busy with juveniles this past month. He had them clean up the dumpster area located near the city shop. Councilwoman Gruis stated that she would like to see someone on community service be responsible for cleaning up the outside pool bathrooms. Stahl also stated that he would like to see double yellow lines placed down Main Street.

**BUILDING PERMITS:** The following building permits were presented for approval:

James Lamb – 801 Ash Avenue – shingle house

Hydeaway Hunting – 600 Birch Avenue – shingle house

Kevin and Robbin Paxton – 401 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street – were present to discuss with the Council their building permit which was denied at last month's meeting. They were told that they were denied the permit due to the fact that they have past permits which have not been completed and the Council stated that they need to complete these projects before a new permit will be allowed. Paxton stated that with this new permit, which is an addition to their home, they will then complete the past permits as this addition is what they have been waiting for.

Motion by Gruis seconded by Soderholm to approve all permits. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ron Rivenes was present to discuss his permit which was also denied at last month's meeting. He is wanting to add another van body and a storage shed to his property located at 104 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Attorney Sovell read through the zoning ordinance for his property and informed him that in order for another storage unit to be placed on his property, he will need to apply for a conditional use permit.

**SPECIAL EVENT ALCOHOL LICENSE:** An application for a special event alcohol license was received from the Onida Fire department for their event on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Motion by Gruis seconded by Pitlick to approve the license. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

**WATER/SEWER PROJECT:** Wickersham stated that he had been contacted by the Lamb family concerning the old Wheel Inn and the want for sewer services there. Jost stated that the line already runs past the location so the only thing that needs to be done is the owner will be responsible for connecting from their building to the main line at their expense.

**BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT:** Bob Porter was present to discuss his beautification project at the school auditorium located at 700 Birch Avenue. Porter has gotten grass growing in the front but he would like some more work done in the back and side area which would include removal of an old fire whistle tower, movement of utility lines and dirt work. Council requested that Porter find out what this could cost the City and get back to us.

**DRUG TESTING:** Councilwoman Soderholm brought up the possibility of future drug tests for new hires and possibly periodic drug testing for other employees. Sovell stated that according to our

personnel manual there are some instances in which we can order drug testing. She advised that the city contact our workers comp carrier and get their thoughts on how we should do this, if we should do this. Hiller will make the contact.

**POOL:** Hiller informed the Council that she had problems ordering the new slide that they had approved at the August meeting. What she found out is that the slide had been recalled due to children falling off the side of the slide when they were going down it. Hiller contacted MCR Pools and discussed it with them. They sent her another option. MCR also informed her that a slide will have to be moved as slides need to have at least 42" of water depth for safety. Council told Hiller to see what other options she could find.

**BUDGET 2019:** Hiller presented for its first reading, the 2019 City of Onida budget to the Council. A special meeting for the second reading and finalization of the budget will be held on September 10th, 2018. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. with interviews for the open job position being held first.

**BILLS:** The following bills were presented for payment: Finance 1696.12, Streets 2553.02, Parks 1007.39, Rec 1854.06, Water 1763.50, Electric 1259.49, Sewer 531.71, Garbage 4366.97, Pool 10228.38, Council 1417.51. OTHER: Emily Sovell retainer 500.00 Sully County Treasurer law enforcement 5102.48, S. D. Treasurer taxes 5709.51, Mid-Dakota Rural Water supplier 11544.50, Post Office 150.15, Pierre Solid Waste landfill 2062.78, Venture Communications 345.21, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance 2372.22, Oahe Electric supplier 68000.84, South Dakota Retirement System contributions 1382.64, E.F.T.P.S taxes 5354.29, Petty Cash postage 13.83, BankWest fees 50.00, City of Onida deposit refund 300.00, Onida Watchman publications 183.10, One Call locating 37.80, Stewart and Daughters fuel 1639.36, MCI communications 32.81, Dept. of Revenue testing 15.00, Marco copier contract 53.78, SPN water/sewer project 54356.35, Lamb Chevy repairs 986.09, Vilas supplies 4.48, Nye Lumber supplies 70.95, B & B water/sewer 497199.75, Hawkins supplies 43.58, Helms airport 2525.58, Lamb's Discount supplies 191.35, Sovell Oil fuel 768.80, Sanitation Products supplies 291.00, Metering and Technology supplies 1340.20, Runnings supplies 132.97, Share Corp supplies 618.52, Onida Fire allocation 20000.00, Jensen Rock supplies 2556.40, Barber Chemicals supplies 156.88, NASASP dues 39.00, Lifesaving fees 912.50, Jesse Wittler supplies 314.55, Olympic Sales supplies 78.96, Colonial Research supplies 1722.11, Border States supplies 673.80. Motion made by Gruis seconded by Mosiman to pay all bills. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Motion made by Soderholm seconded by Mosiman to adjourn at 8:47 p.m. A special meeting will be held on Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 with interviews beginning at 7:00 p.m. The next regular City Council meeting will be on Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

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Gary Wickersham, Mayor

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Rondha Hiller, Finance Officer

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