

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
10/05/2020

The Onida City Council met on Monday, October 5th, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Office with President Jane Pitlick presiding. Present at Roll Call: LaJena Gruis, Brooke Jacquot, Justin Mennenger, and Marla Mosiman. Also present: Tim Jost, Bill Stahl, Sheila Ring, and Emily Sovell.

MINUTES: Motion by Gruis seconded by Mosiman to approve the minutes from the September 8th and 21st 2020 City Council meetings. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Jost reported that MC & R Pools will be here the 12th or 20th to winterize the splash park. He intends to be there so that he can see how the process is done. Lead and copper tests came back good, they have been busy cleaning out the drainage areas on the west side of town, Northern Plains has completed two (2) blocks of sewer and four (4) manholes. Representatives with Northern Plains, SPN, MDU and the Railroad met to discuss the water/sewer project near the railroad. There are several utilities located under the tracks so SPN is working on a different route.

SHERIFFS REPORT: Stahl stated that law enforcement had been called out to: a suicide, simple assault-domestic, theft at The Corner, school issues including truancy and firearms in a vehicle, poaching, and a simple assault – domestic at The Goose.

LEGALS: Attorney Sovell was present to fill in the Council in regards to the Brandt/Meyer case. Railroad authority was also discussed with Sovell stating that Milt Handcock has resigned his position on the board. Sovell stated that Sully County has been in contact with Matt Newcomer to see if he had interest in the position. Motion by Gruis seconded by Mennenger to nominate Matt Newcomer to the position with the Sully County Regional Rail Authority contingent upon his acceptance. All ayes. Motion carried.

ARRIVAL: Shepherd arrived to the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

CURB AND GUTTER: Hiller informed the Council that she had an inquiry on curb and gutter on the 600 block of South 10th Street. Council agreed that this needs to be done and asked Hiller to start the proceedings by contacting those who will be impacted by the project.

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

Tom and Ashley Yackley – 605 South 10th Street – 8 x 16 front deck
Mike and Dee Stanley – 409 South Main Street – new siding, windows, and decks
Dan and Colleen Lamb – 103 North 8th Street – new siding and windows
Casey Clark – 103 South 5th Street – 10 x 16 back yard shed
Bob Porter – 509 South 6th Street – shingles

Motion by Jacquot seconded by Shepherd to approve the permits. All ayes. Motion carried.

SICK LEAVE: Gruis informed the Council on information she had obtained concerning sick leave and payout of sick leave upon a person leaving their employment. After discussion it was determined that beginning January 1st, 2021, the City of Onida will have a sick leave cap 480 hours. After an employee hits this limit, any “earned time” will then be put into a “bank” for sick leave which will be accessible by full time employees upon council approval for catastrophic illnesses only. Employees must be employed for at least five (5) years by the City of Onida to be eligible to draw from the “bank”. Upon leaving employment with the city, the employee will receive 50% of the sick leave hours left in their account providing that the employee is leaving the City of Onida in good standing. Jost and Hiller will be paid out for 100% of time accrued at the end of 2020 to get them down to the capped hours limit. Hiller will add this new information to the employee handbook and present it to the Council at the next meeting at which time it will be voted on for approval.

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment: SALARIES: Finance 2327.21, Streets 2251.92, Parks 562.68, Recreation 1981.40, Water 1857.64, Electric 1958.29, Sewer 1065.18, Garbage 4600.37, Pool 3077.29, Council 1015.03. OTHER: Petty Cash postage 12.20, Emily Sovell retainer 500.00, Sully County law enforcement 5255.55, SD Retirement contributions 1788.56, EFTPS taxes

5269.99, Lamb's Discount supplies 166.23, SD Treasurer taxes 4167.47, Mid Dakota Rural Water supplier 10377.70, Post Office postage 151.90, Venture Communications 213.81, Wellmark B/C B/S health insurance 1884.80, Oahe Electric supplier 67199.56, Stewart and Daughters fuel 123.86, BankWest fee 50.00, City of Onida deposit refund 447.18, Pierre Solid Waste landfill 1440.12, Vilas supplies 3.99, Badger Meters supplies 203.28, Don's Food Center supplies 29.43, Helm's and Asso airport 5770.29, SPN water/sewer project 18498.30, The Onida Watchman publications 464.28, Brett's Spray maintenance 900.00, Marco supplies 123.13, Public Health Lab testing 481.00, Onida Fire Department allocation 20000.00, JP Cooke supplies 60.15, Wesco Supplies 1481.50, Lamb Chevy repairs 40.65, Sovell Oil fuel 1167.37, Kelly Jensen deposit refund 52.82, Rich, Wyly, Wise...legal, 352.15,, Jensen, supplies 690.20, AFLAC insurance 654.45, Morris Inc. supplies 1248.60, Kennedy Imp airport 2958.59, Michael Todd supplies 474.37, Northern Plains water/sewer project, 437272.78. Motion was made by Gruis seconded by Jacquot to pay all bills. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion to adjourn by Mennenger seconded by Jacquot at 8:12 p.m. The next regular City Council meeting will be on Monday, November 2nd, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Jane Pitlick, President

Rondha Hiller, Finance Officer

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