

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
06/05/2023

The Onida City Council met on Monday, June 5th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Office with Mayor LaJena Gruis presiding. Present at Roll Call: Casey Clark, Brooke Jacquot, Clark Jordre, Marla Mosiman, Jessica Olivier, and Caleb Shepherd. Also present: Tim Gruis, Bill Stahl, Sheila Ring, Ashley Yackley, and Jamie Pullman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Gruis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Motion by Mosiman seconded by Jordre to approve the minutes from the May 1st, 2023 City Council meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ashley Yackley spoke to the council concerning the 600 block of South 10th Street and asked council when they could expect street improvements. She stated that they have been waiting for 10 years and still to this day they have little more than a slick, muddy trail when it rains or snows. She voiced her frustrations about all the street improvements going on around town but still nothing in their area. They have no qualms about putting curb and gutter in stating that would be beneficial for them to prevent people from driving on their lawn and/or parking on their sprinkler heads. She stated that they would be happy at this point for at least some gravel to be placed in the area stating that at times when there has been moisture in the area this street can become so slippery and muddy that it is almost impossible to drive on. Council directed Gruis to get some gravel in the area.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Mosiman to go into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) at 6:49 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Shepherd seconded by Clark to come out of Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.

WORK SCHEDULES: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Clark to approve a 4 day work week based on the city superintendent's recommendation. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

ABATEMENT: Council discussed the property located at 1000 Dogwood Avenue. Hiller stated that the city had mowed the property several times last year, sent bills to the landowner which were never acknowledged. The bill was assessed to his property taxes and has been paid through that avenue. The property has been mowed twice so far this year with again, no acknowledgement when the bills have been mailed. The property was not shoveled for the duration of the winter of 2022-23. Siding has been laying on the ground for several years. Siding was covered for a time but the covering has since been weathered obsolete. Doors are not locked making it an open place for squatters. Motion by Shepherd seconded by Mosiman to begin the abatement process for noncompliance of ordinances. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Council also advised Hiller to send letters out to residents at 307 10th Court, 509 South 6th Street, and 600 South 8th Street concerning their ordinance violations.

REPORTS: Superintendent Gruis stated that they had completed the electrical right of way tree trimming project but still have some cleaning up to do along the city's right of ways. The pool is up and running, mowed East Haven, waiting for prices on street coverings and presented council with a quote from Dakota Pump on a new pump for the lift station at a cost at \$19116.00. The quote states that the lead time is 22 weeks. This is concerning as should something happen to the present pump, we could have a serious situation on hand. Motion by Shepherd seconded by Olivier to order the new pump. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Gruis also stated that with the present street work going on, there will be 5 new valley gutters that will need to be poured at a total cost of \$17,700. Motion by Clark seconded by Jordre to have the gutters installed with an August 1st, 2023 deadline. Roll Call: all ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion then went to the side dump truck with Gruis informing council that the transmission is shot. He has been in contact with Haber out of Tea S. D. and they have a chassis for \$24,000 plus \$6500 to install the wet kit. Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jacquot to approve the purchase. Roll Call: all ayes. Motion carried.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE: Stahl stated that he emailed a new bond schedule to the city and he recommends that the city matches the states bond schedule.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: No report given.

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

Elizabeth Hughes – 805 Bayberry Avenue – fencing

Todd and Brooke Jacquot – 105 South 6th Street – fencing

Joey and Brenda Lamb – 200 North 9th Street – home remodel and addition

WATER / SEWER PROJECTS: SPN's Camden Hofer, our engineer for the water and sewer projects, was called to clarify some problems that the city is having with work that has been finished with the two projects. We have streets that are just not holding up and council would like to know why, what can be done, and what the warranty is on the work. DANR is allowing us to use funds from Phase 2 of the project to repair some on phase 1 projects as Phase 2 failures will still be under warranty until July 15th, 2023. Hofer stated that these failures are not out of line for this size of project and he considers them to be minor, minimal in the scope of the project. Council disagreed with this as we have spent a great deal of money for these projects. Hofer stated that Northern Plains will be in to do repair warranty work as will Morris Inc. Council discussed with Hofer the new change order that has come in to finish the projects with an estimated \$86,000 out of the city's pocket. Motion by Olivier seconded by Mosiman to approve the change order stating that these monies will have to come out of the FIT account. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

CSDED: An agreement was received from Central South Dakota Enhancement District for 2024 with the dues totaling \$1037.18. CSDED does a tremendous amount of invaluable work for the city. Motion by Mosiman seconded by Jacquot to approve the agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

AIRPORT: One proposal was received for Quality Assurance asphalt testing at the Onida airport. That being from Aaron Swan and Associates in the amount of \$9170.00. The proposal is based on 10 days of paving; however, the actual costs may vary depending on the actual time of paving by the Contractor. Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jordre to approve the proposal. Roll Call: all ayes. Motion carried.

FOURTH OF JULY HOURS: Council stated that they are giving Monday, July 3rd off to the city employees as a holiday. With that being said, it was determined that the July city council meeting will occur on July 10th, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m. with employee appraisals to begin the night.

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment: Finance 2874.68, Streets 8083.93, Parks 1752.92, Water 2403.18, Electric 5830.03, Sewer 1361.55, Garbage 1936.76, Pool 1622.40, Council 2853.03. OTHER: Riter rogers retainer 700.00, Sully County Treasurer law enforcement 5742.92, S. D. Treasurer taxes 3394.74, Mid-Dakota Rural Water supplier 10488.35, Post Office 304.24, Venture Communications 374.52, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance 4524.60, Oahe Electric supplier 48150.70, Oahe Electric repairs and dues 2593.55, AFLAC insurance 839.26, South Dakota Retirement System contributions 2324.64, E.F.T.P.S taxes 5729.61, BankWest fees and supplies 3896.04, Onida Watchman publications 691.49, Stewart and Daughters fuel 626.29, Public Health Lab testing 250.00, Marco copier contract 205.46, Lamb Chevy repairs 872.58, Nye Lumber supplies 219.50, Recreational Supply 665.63, Hawkins supplies 7881.82, Envirotech rent/recycle 994.42, Lamb's Discount supplies 1240.25, Sovell Oil fuel 2422.76, City of Onida deposit refund 550.00, Dept of Ag and Natl Resources fee 350.00, River Bottom Sanitation 11339.90, Brett's Spray airport 677.50, Morris Inc supplies and airport 228617.13, Sunrise Agency insurance 29.00, Runnings supplies 319.98, CSDED dues 1037.18, Helms and Asso airport 73781.32, Lamb Motors supplies 185.23, One Call locating 14.70, Don's Food Center supplies 108.98, Office of Child support 750.00, Dakota Pump repairs 4230.62, Cash pool 100.00, Delta Dental insurance 174.64, Metering and Technology supplies 3180.00, Community Partners study 2500.00, Arnold Pool supplies 186.90, Onida Electric repairs 174.80, Dept of Revenue license 450.00, Proline Watertown supplies 7517.18, Crazy B's supplies 1998.50, ABO Schools supplies 50.00, LaJena Gruis lifeguard certification 130.00, Zander auto supplies 190.73, Nordstroms supplies 85.00, R & K repairs 5632.48, Ingram Pest service 130.00, Tim Jost supplies 84.71, Clarke supplies 75.54, The Lifeguard Store supplies 736.10, SDML meeting 30.00, Cholik Signs supplies 545.00,

Riteway supplies 284.84, Phoenix Center insurance reimbursement 5487.89, Tacea Voorhees lifeguard certification 336.30, M & T Fire supplies 419.33, Brad Manning repairs 725.00, Office of fire Marshal inspection 70.00. Motion made by Shepherd seconded by Jordre to pay all bills. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion by Mosiman seconded by Olivier to adjourn at 8:46 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried. The next regular City Council meeting will be on Monday, July 10th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

LaJena Gruis, Mayor

Rondha Hiller, Finance Officer

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