

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
09/06/2023

The Onida City Council met on Wednesday September 6th, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Office. This monthly meeting was started with an interview for a new city employee. Following the interview, Mayor LaJena Gruis called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Present at Roll Call: Casey Clark, Brooke Jacquot, Clark Jordre, Marla Mosiman, and Caleb Shepherd. Others present: Tim Gruis, Kody Kyriss, Casey Hight and Sheila Ring.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Gruis led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Motion by Mosiman seconded by Shepherd to approve the minutes from the August 7th, 2023 City Council meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

LEGALS: Attorney Kyriss was present to discuss the ongoing abatement issue on property located at 1000 Dogwood Avenue. As has been the norm, there has been no communication back from the owner. The updated ordinances were also discussed. Hiller presented Kyriss with the survey papers for the area of the Sully County Fair Board's baseball field. The fair board has gifted the ballfield to the city with the agreement that the city would be responsible for any costs associated with the surveying and documentations needed for the county.

REPORTS: Gruis reported that a 2-inch lip of gravel has been applied to the road along the CHS River Plains / Cedar Avenue area. He will get into contact with CHS management concerning dust control. The big pool is now closed for the season and draining of the pool will begin September 11th. He has been in contact with the supplier of our new back hoe and stated that it is expected to be here by the end of October or early November. They have been working on the streets around the football field and the 600th block of south 10th street.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE: No report.

SPECIAL EVENTS ALCOHOL LICENSE: The Onida Fire Department has requested a special events alcohol license for their annual Fireman's night, October 21st, 2023. Motion to approve by Jordre seconded by Jacquot. Roll Call: Ayes: Clark, Jacquot, Jordre, Mosiman. Abstaining: Shepherd. Absent: Olivier. Motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS: The following building permit was presented for approval:

Ken and Rebecca Lyons – 203 S 10th Street – replacing front sidewalk.

Motion by Shepherd seconded by Jordre to approve the permit. All ayes. Motion carried.

VARIANCE REQUEST: Hiller presented to council a variance request on property located on the 300th block of South 10th Street. Council tabled any discussion on the project wanting more information before they proceed.

BUDGET 2024: Hiller presented for its first reading, the 2024 City of Onida budget to the Council. A special meeting for the second reading and finalization of the budget will be held on September 20th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Clark to go into Executive Session at 7:51 pm in accordance to SDCL 1-25-2 (1). Motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:57 pm by Shepherd seconded by Jacquot. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW HIRE: Motion by Shepherd seconded by Clark to hire Dustin Volker as a full-time employee with pay to begin at \$25.00 per hour. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent Olivier.

BILLS: The following bills were presented for payment: Finance 3685.41, Streets 9406.70, Parks 3477.91, Water 3020.01, Electric 4239.64, Sewer 3446.82, Garbage 3488.65, Pool 19560.58, and Council 2453.03. **OTHER:** Sully County Treasurer law enforcement 5742.92, S. D. Treasurer taxes 4769.84, Mid-Dakota Rural Water supplier 11644.16, Post Office 223.89, Pierre Solid Waste landfill 141.60, Venture Communications 515.97, Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance 4524.60, Oahe Electric supplier 62814.70, Oahe Electric repairs and fees 2063.30 South Dakota Retirement System contributions 3190.20, E.F.T.P.S taxes 22390.26, BankWest fees and supplies, 1801.76, City of Onida deposit refund 250.00, Onida Watchman publications 307.31, One Call locating 5.25, Stewart and Daughters fuel 665.01, Marco copier contract 215.19, Lamb Chevy repairs 166.44, Helms airport 29832.33, Lamb's Discount supplies 1263.18, Sovell Oil fuel 685.35, MDU utilities 33.73, AFLAC insurance 1145.67, Lamb Motors repairs 2469.37, River Bottom Sanitation 10309.00, Share Corp supplies 1417.64, Public Health Lab testing 414.00, Runnings supplies 22.99, Office of Child Support 250.00, Oahe Concrete repairs 15808.55, D & D Asphalt repairs 5355.00, Riteway supplies 161.19, Delta Dental insurance 87.32, Badger Meters supplies 69.22, Factor 360 website 100.00, Barber Chemicals supplies 120.00, Metering and Technology supplies 479.30, Hawkins supplies 1089.16, R & K Mechanical repairs 38480.00, Paxton Repair 12116.04, Thielen Surveying ballfield 1100.00, Environmental Equipment supplies 130.53, Jerry's Electric testing 12.50. Motion made by Jacquot seconded by Jordre to pay all bills. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried. Absent: Olivier.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion made by Mosiman seconded by Jacquot to adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

A special meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 20th, 2023 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The next regular City Council meeting will be on Monday, October 2nd, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

LaJena Gruis, Mayor

Rondha Hiller, Finance Officer

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