

CITY OF OZAWKIE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 11, 1997
Ozawkie Township Building

The 1998 Budget Hearing was begun at 6:45 P.M. Governing Body present: Mayor Schuenight, Councilmen: John Smith, Eric Buckman, and Roger Bostwick. G. Smith noted that the 1996 Internal Audit was completed prior to preparation of the 1998 Budget which includes establishment of the following new Funds: Capital Improvement Fund, Water Depreciation Reserve Fund, and Sewer Depreciation. Also developed in the 1998 Budget is the reorganization of the Water/Sewer/Trash Fund. The establishment of separate Enterprise Funds for Water, Sewer, & Trash along with the comparable Depreciation Reserve Accounts, will allow for improved monthly cash flow analysis and planning for replacement of aging equipment and future improvements. Councilmen Smith and Buckman asked specific questions regarding the determination of projected Cash carryover balances and projected Total Resources Available, the accuracy of which will determine the ability to transfer the proposed budgeted amounts to the appropriate Capital and Depreciation Funds. G. Smith commented that proposed transfers to these new Reserve Accounts would be made at intervals throughout 1998, following year-to-date cash flow analysis and requested authorization from Council to make the transfer. G. Smith added that establishment of the Capital Improvement Fund with revenues being provided from the net sale proceeds of City owned lots, will effectively provide for the acquisition of the business property under the current Lease/Purchase Contract from non tax revenues. He noted that the Funding of the Park from mowing revenues effectively allows Park maintenance and improvements also to be provided from non-tax revenues. Following discussion, it was noted that consideration of the proposed 1998 Budget was included in the Regular Meeting Agenda, Item 5.

Agenda Item 1 - Mayor Schuenight called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:20 P.M. Members present: Buckman, Bostwick and J. Smith.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of Meeting Agenda - G. Smith asked that Item #8, Vacant House at 115 Cottonwood Ct. be added to the agenda. Motion by J. Smith, seconded by Bostwick, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of Consent Items - Motion by J. Smith, seconded by Buckman, to approve the Consent Items consisting of 7/14/97 Minutes, 7/31/97 Treasurer's Report, and August Warrant Register totaling \$6475.44. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 4 - Reports - Planning & Zoning - Councilman Buckman reported that the Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on the proposed Comprehensive Plan, July 17. The Commission is presently reviewing the Comprehensive Plan in light of the comments from the Public Hearing and is making minor modifications as recommended by City Attorney, Steve Montgomery. It is expected that P&Z will make a formal recommendation to Council at the October Regular Meeting.

Park Commissioner Bostwick reported that the installation of the sand box toy and box perimeter should be completed soon, possibly this week depending on weather and the availability of Frisbie Trenching. He noted that the Catfish Derby sponsored by Carl and Debbie Maichel, owners of Burger Paradise was a success and reminded everyone of the Ozawkie Community Picnic Day scheduled for Sunday, October 5, the plans of which will be announced later.

Law Enforcement - Mayor Schuenight reported in Commissioner Larson's absence, that Larson has received information from the Jefferson County Sheriff Department regarding establishment and operation of Neighborhood Watch Programs. Larson will discuss his findings at the next Regular Meeting.

Clerk/Maintenance - G. Smith noted that Commissioner Larson has requested a note in the Minutes/Newsletter regarding a Neighbor Watch Program to solicit resident interest in participating in such an endeavor.

Copper Testing - Selected residents will be asked to collect a water sample for analysis to determine the effectiveness of the Corrosion Control Program implemented January 1, 1997.

Mini-Lift Station - The City has received a quotation in the amount of \$4119.00, for a proposed mini-lift station to be installed at 108 Sunrise Court to isolate the residential sewer service connection from the main sewer line to prevent back-up to the residence during surcharge conditions following heavy rain. G. Smith has completed a KPL application for underground service to the proposed location and will rough draft a letter of understanding stating the purpose, maintenance responsibilities, and installation terms agreeable to both parties. The letter will then be submitted to the City Attorney to be drafted in final form for approval by the Governing Body. The total cost for the project is currently estimated at \$5,900.00.

Agenda Item 5 - 1998 Budget Consideration - Motion by Buckman, seconded by Bostwick, to approve the proposed 1998 City Budget. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 6 - Building Permit, Lot H-8 - 400 Delaware Motion by Eric Buckman, seconded by Roger Bostwick to approve Andrew Mitchell's Building Permit Application for a new single family residence as recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item 7 - Insurance Proceeds Fund Ordinance 5-301A Motion by J. Smith, seconded by Buckman, to adopt the proposed ordinance. Motion Carried. The new Ordinance replaces 5-301 by changing the name of the Fund from Fire Insurance Proceeds Fund to Insurance Proceeds Fund. The new ordinance also expands the scope of damages subject to the provisions.

Agenda Item 8 - Vacant House - 115 Cottonwood Ct. - G. Smith reported that the residents notified the City on 7/1/97 to discontinue water service noting that they were moving out of town. Following a check of the water meter on Sunday, August 10, Smith was approached by a neighbor who noticed that the rear door was open. Following investigation authorized by Mayor Schuenight, the residence was found to be in extreme disrepair. Photographs were taken to document entrance onto the property. Following review of the photos, it was the consensus to contact our local Health Board for their recommendations regarding the condition and occupancy of the property. The County Tract Register references a non-resident as owner of the property.

There being no further business before Council, Motion by J. Smith, Seconded by Bostwick, to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.