

## **INFORMATION**

City Office – (785) 876-2550  
Located at 524 Kiowa

Office Hours  
Mon: 9am – 6pm  
Tuesday-Friday: 8am – 2pm

City Maintenance – Gordon Smith (785) 608-3547  
Certified Operator – Travis Adams (785) 640-8750

Next Meeting – April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010

*[www.ozawkie.org](http://www.ozawkie.org)*

## **Regular Council Meeting March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Feuerborn called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Members present: Mayor Christopher Feuerborn, Councilmembers Mark Larson, Dale Barnum and Mark Roberts. Members absent: Councilmember Steve Stanton. City Employee present was City Clerk Rita Christlieb. Citizens in attendance were Sandi Goetz, James Shaw, Gary Branson, Sharon Branson, Wayne McNary, Marilyn Blevins, and Barb Griffith.

### **OPENING COMMENTS:**

Sharon Branson reported that she and Gary will be coordinating the 2010 annual garage sales for one more year, but they would greatly appreciate, and are willing to train, anyone who would be willing to take over the coordination of the event. The sales will be held on May 1st and all registrations are asked to be turned in by April 26th. The registration fee will be \$8.00 or \$10 the after that date. It is self supporting.

Ms. Branson addressed the matter of the Jeff West School closing in Ozawkie. She stated that she felt that many of the residents of Ozawkie had been unfair toward the school. She stated that some of the school official and board members had received threats because of the school closing. She was very positive about the possibility of Keystone taking over the building.

Scott Griffitt of 629 Delaware spoke regarding complaints against his dog. He stated that his dog was not vicious and that the other dogs that were attacked were on his property. He showed pictures and invited the Mayor and Councilmembers to come and visit his dog.

### **II. COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**

Nothing to report.

### **III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Councilmember Barnum made a motion to approve the Agenda, second by Roberts. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

##### **a) MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

Motion by Barnum to approve the Minutes of the January 11th meeting, second by Roberts. The motion passed 3-0.

##### **b) FEBRUARY TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Bieker furnished the Mayor and Council with a monthly financial report for January. The report reflected credits/debits of \$39,280.18/\$4,9433.26 for General, \$3,743.59/\$7,109.45 for Water, \$1,350.54/\$1,157.87 for Sewer, \$0/\$17.44 for Parks, \$3,843.88/\$1,314.19 for Special Highway, \$0.00/\$222.86 for Equipment Reserve and \$2,058.55/\$5,141.40 for Trash. The total receipts/expenditures for January were \$93,276.74/\$64,396.47.

Motion by Roberts to approve the February Treasurer's Report, second by Barnum. The motion passed 3-0.

Treasurer Bieker furnished the Mayor and Council with a monthly financial report for February. The report reflected credits/debits of \$3,893.43/\$7,704.06 for General, \$5,501.80/2/579.14 for Water, \$1,941.12/\$667.53 for Sewer, \$0/\$17.51 for Parks, \$0.00/\$0.00 for Special Highway, \$0.00/\$222.86 for Equipment Reserve and \$2,792.32/\$0.00 for Trash. The total receipts/expenditures for February were \$14,128.67/\$11,191.10.

Motion by Roberts to approve the February Treasurer's Report, second by Barnum. The motion passed 3-0.

##### **c) FEBRUARY WARRANT REGISTER**

The January Warrant Register reflected an expenditure amount of \$7,704.04, for General, \$2,579.14 for Water, \$667.53 for Sewer, \$222.86 for Equipment Reserve, and \$17.51 for Park. Total expenditures for January were \$11,191.10.

The February Warrant Register reflected an expenditure amount of \$5,427.63 for General, \$2,275.01 for Water, \$639.10 for Sewer, \$4,862.00 for Trash, \$222.86 for Equipment Reserve, and \$17.53 for Park. Total expenditures for February were \$13,444.13.

Motion by Barnum to approve the Warrant Register for January and February, second by Barnum. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **V. REPORTS:**

##### ***Planning & Zoning:***

Committee Chairperson, Sandi Goetz informed the Council that the Planning & Zoning Committee met on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Members present were Lynn Drown, Arnold Leek, Sandi Goetz, and prospective member Barb Griffith and John Howey. Mr. Charles Toy and Mr. Travis Toy of Toy Construction were also present.

The committee requested that permission be granted to Mr. Charles Toy to do a test dig on 408 Sioux/Block K, Lot 38 and forgo any fees, due to the fact that the city does not have a permit in place for test digs.

Motion was made by Roberts with the amendment that Mr. Toy work with Ms. Goetz on a silt fence to prevent soil erosion, second by Barnum. Carried 3-0.

Ms. Goetz also informed the council that the committee had produced a definition of "fence" for approval, but requested that the council return it to committee due to concerns over some of the wording. The Council concurred and no vote was required.

Ms. Goetz reported that the committee had tabled the motion on height measured from the footer in block S for further review.

The Committee recommended that Barb Griffith be appointed to the vacancy in the Planning and Zoning Committee.

Recommendation was made by Mayor Feuerborn, second by Roberts. Carried 3-0.

***Streets:***

Councilmember Larson stated that the winter weather has been harsh on the streets and they are showing wear. He will keep an eye on them to determine any further action.

***Utilities:***

Councilmember Larson stated that recent water breaks have occurred and that the city clerk is keeping a template to help follow the situation.

***Parks:***

Councilmember Barnum reported that the port-a potty for the park would be delivered by April 1<sup>st</sup> to the park and that he would mark the area that it would be set.

Councilmember Barnum also informed the council that Councilmember Roberts and he would be trimming some to the trees in the park and that they would like maintenance to be aware of this so they may pick up the branches.

***Law Enforcement:***

Mayor Feuerborn reported he was aware of the complaints on 504 Delaware and that he will continue to work toward resolution of the situation.

***Governmental Affairs:***

Councilmember Roberts informed the council that Mayor Feuerborn and he had sent a letter to USD 340 on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> and that he read it to the USD 340 school board at their school board meeting that night. The letter stated the impact that closing the school in Ozawkie would have upon Ozawkie and her citizens and there was a request to consider that when the board made its decision.

Councilmember Roberts told the council that State funds are still in shortfall and it will continue to effect the funds received form the state.

Councilmember Roberts provided the Council with a list of bills that are currently being reviewed by the Kansas Legislature. Some of the bill on annexation may have an impact on the city of Ozawkie.

Also, he reported that a sales tax exemption bill is in the Legislature that would repeal the sales exemption for non-profit, utilities, and others. This would affect the water, sewer and trash of Ozawkie. The city would have to start to charge and collect taxes for these utilities.

***Tree Board:***

Nothing to report.

***Maintenance:***

Nothing to report.

***Certified Operator:***

Nothing to report.

***City Clerk:***

Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**VI. Insurance Quotes**

Pat Gottstein of Jefferson Co., Insurance provided a quote for the city's insurance and answered council questions. City Clerk Christlieb reviewed the quote from Anderson Peck and answered Council questions. Mayor Feuerborn asked City Clerk Christlieb to see if Anderson Peck will allow the city to pay a month's premium to give the council adequate time to review the policies.

## **VII. Corps Land Management**

Mayor Feuerborn stated that he had talked with the Corps recently and stated that they wanted uniformity in the land management and in erosion control. Any work performed on Corps ground needs to be cleared through Corps.

## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Barnum to adjourn at 8:31, second by Larson. The motion passed 3-0.

---

Rita Christlieb  
City Clerk