

CITY OF OZAWKIE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 8, 1999

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schuenight at 7:20 P.M. Members present: Roger Bostwick, Eric Buckman, and William Rivera. Mark Larson and John Smith were absent due to job responsibilities.

Agenda Item #2 - Approval of Meeting Agenda

Motion by Buckman, seconded by Bostwick, to approve the Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #3 - Approval of Consent Items

Eric Buckman inquired about the negative balance referenced in the Sewer Operating Fund on the Treasurer Report. G. Smith explained that when the utility funds were segregated in 1998 and the reserve funds established, that it was his intention that the reserve transfers be made through several proportionate transfers through out the year, however the total budgeted transfers were all made at the beginning of the 1998 Fiscal Year which resulted in approximately \$1000.00 more be transferred to sewer reserve which should have remained in the operational fund due to the fact that operational costs for water and sewer are debited each month and water/sewer receipts, due to the two month billing cycle may not be received, thus recorded by the Treasurer until the next financial report month. Smith noted that sufficient transfers will be made to the sewer operating fund so that future statements will no longer reflect a misleading negative balance. Motion by Buckman, seconded by Bostwick, to approve the consent items consisting of the Minutes of the 2/8/99 Regular Meeting, 2/28/99 Treasurer's Report, and the March Warrant Register totaling \$9,506.82. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #4 - Reports

Eric Buckman referenced the Planning & Zoning minutes stating three residential building permit applications were recommended for approval.

Street Commissioner Rivera reported that he discussed the contract street repairs for 1999 with G. Smith. Andrews Asphalt is scheduled to meet with Smith next week to prepare cost estimates and quotations for contract repair to be considered. G. Smith added that due to our always limited funds, it will mostly likely be his recommendation to overlay Delaware Drive from Valley View Court North to the intersection of Kansa. He noted that in excess of \$40,000.00 was spent in 1991 to mill and repair cracks in this stretch, however the 1991 repairs have not since been sealed which is resulting in deterioration of the repairs. He noted that in the past three years all street funds have been used to repair and or overlay neglected side streets, but in his opinion this Delaware Drive section can no longer be neglected. He noted that pending the availability of funds after the Delaware overlay, that storm ditches in the area of Kansa and Sunset Court be cleaned and shaped to hopefully rechannel some of the surface water runoff in that area.

Park Commissioner Bostwick inquired about the information distributed to Council regarding the Consumer Confidence Report which all water systems must complete prior to October 1999. G. Smith reported that details and the format of the required report will be explained at the KRWA Conference this month. Currently our system is adding a polyphosphate which is a vegetable based

additive designed to coat copper plumbing in order to reduce corrosion caused by slightly fluctuating pH, required chlorine treatment, and electrolysis which has resulted in a copper level which is a little higher than the acceptable level. The optimum pH level is 6.9 to 7.1. Our pH fluctuates from 7.0 to 7.2 depending on demand which can affect the chlorine dosage necessary to maintain acceptable chlorine residuals which are checked daily. The last testing period for lead/copper ending 12/31/98, resulted in the selected sample site exceeding the copper action level by three thousandths of a milligram/L. One of the options which have been suggested for consideration is switching from chlorine gas to chlorine liquid which is slightly less corrosive, the desired net effect being to lower pH. This would mostly likely result in substantially higher chlorine costs not to mention, acquisition of liquid application equipment and additional monitoring costs needed to maintain the present consistent chlorine residual provided by gas chlorination. Presently the copper level is so close to accepted levels that it does not justify the additional costs if our goal can be attained by increasing the dosage of the diluted vegetable additive presently being introduced at the rate of 6.23 fluid ounces per hour which converts to approximately one ounce per 6000 gallons of water produced. Roger noted that Smith intends to pour concrete pads for two playground toys and a picnic table to be located on the present playground area when the concrete is ordered to repair a water leak area excavated in January.

Utility Commissioner Buckman reported that no water main breaks occurred in February. He also encouraged that the water/sewer rate analysis be soon completed in order to confirm that sufficient reserves are being accumulated to meet future needs.

In Governmental Affairs Commissioner J. Smith's absence, G. Smith reported that John has been confirmed by the Missouri Senate as the Director of the Division of Credit Unions in the state of Missouri. John will resign his Council position as soon as his residency officially changes and or job responsibilities demand.

Gordon Smith reported that his 1998 tax appeal of City owned lots was successful, resulting in the appraised values being nearly reduced to the prices prescribed by City ordinance resulting in a \$111.60 and approximately 18% tax reduction. He noted that on the same day the results of the 1998 appeal was received, that the 1999 appraisals were also received and that the appraisal of two of the lots that were just reduced due to the appeal, were again increased by approximately 25%. He has appealed these two valuations, the preliminary hearing of which is scheduled for March 12. He also reported of a resident inquiry regarding allowable home based occupations, namely that of a Real Estate Mortgage Broker. Following discussion, it was the consensus that this occupation is within the guidelines and intent of Paragraph 3-204, Chapter 3, Planning and Zoning. The Clerk was authorized to draft a confirming letter to the resident.

Agenda Item #5 - Building Permit Application - King - Lot K-46 Following discussion, Motion by Buckman, seconded by Bostwick, to approve the Building Permit Application for Jim and Ada King.

There being no further business before Council, Motion by Bostwick, seconded by Rivera, to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Animal Registration

City Ordinance 2-101 requires all dogs and cat harbored in the City limits be annually licensed during the month of April. Owners must provide proof of CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION from a licensed veterinarian stating the time for which the rabies inoculation is effective. Animals may be registered at the City Office/Maintenance Building, April 1 though April 30 during regular office hours OR Saturday, April 10, Noon-3 P.M. Dr. Denise Kobuszewski, DVM of Countryside Veterinary Medical Center P.A., Valley Falls, will provide a Vaccination Clinic from 1 P.M. - 3 P.M., Saturday, April 10. City Registration Fees: Dogs \$4.00 Cats \$3.00. 1999 Tags will be issued. There is no need to bring the animal unless it is to be vaccinated on Saturday, April 10. Notifications will be mailed to each residence the week of March 29th.

Impounded February 21, 1999 - Male Dalmatian

To date no claim has been made. The dog is approximately 1 1/2 years old and is very gentle. If you wish to consider adopting this dog, contact Gordon at 876-2550 or 876-2852.

The dedicated City Police phone number will be discontinued as of 3/12/99. The limited use has not justified the expense. City Ordinance violations may be reported to the City Office 876-2550. For POLICE and MEDICAL EMERGENCIES - Dial 911.

CITY PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

Roger A. Bostwick (I)	71
Eric Buckman (I)	56
Karla R. Baker	55
Chris Caldwell	55
Janice L. Brasher	44
Jay W. Harrison	36
Gwenna L. Witt	20

The top six candidates will appear on the April 6, 1999 General Election Ballot from which three will be selected to serve in the three expired council positions.

Seventeen Yard Light reminders were mailed on 3/9/99.

Prior to the March 2, City Primary Election it was reported that resident mail boxes were used from placement of a solicitation flyer. It is not known who distributed the flyer, however, NONE of the candidates referenced were responsible or associated with the distribution. The Postmaster advises that such distribution is a Federal Offense: Whoever knowingly and willfully deposits any mailable matter on which no postage is paid, in any letterbox with the intent to avoid payment of lawful postage thereon, shall for each such offense be fined not more than \$300 (18 USC 1725).

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, April 6th - City General Election

Saturday, April 10th - Animal Registration & Vaccination Clinic

Animals may be registered from Noon - 3 P.M.

Vaccination Clinic 1 P.M.-3 P.M.

If the rabies inoculation is current, the animal may be registered at the City Maintenance Building throughout April during office hours. Countryside Veterinary Clinic has not yet advised us of inoculation charges.