

CITY OF OSAGE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
August 27, 2024

ROLL CALL: Now on this 27th day of August 2024, the Governing Body of the City of Osage City, Kansas, met at the Osage City Council Chamber in said City. The following members being present and participating to wit: Mayor Brian Stromgren. Council Members: Susan Smith, Mike Gilliland, Shirley Bausman, Mike Handly, Jeanette Swarts, Cathryn Houghton, Jeff Tice. Officials present: Rick Godderz, City Attorney; Katie Hodge, City Manager; Sadie Boos, City Treasurer; Amy Woodward, City Clerk; Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director. Others Present: None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Swarts, second by Tice to approve the agenda. The motion was declared carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Daniel Davis, Managing Editor Osage County Herald – Chronicle; Evan Godderz.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of August 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Tice, second by Handly to approve the consent agenda. The motion was declared carried.

BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

1. **Approval of Resolution No. 1119 204 Lord Street for unsafe, dangerous, and directing the structure to be repaired or removed and the premises made safe and secure (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager**

Motion made by Handly, second by Tice to deem the structures on even Lots 32,34 and 36, Block 23, Original Town, City of Osage City, Kansas, commonly known as 204 Lord Street Osage City, Kansas as unsafe or dangerous and direct the structures to be repaired or removed and the premises made safe and secure within 90 days from the publication of this resolution. The motion was declared carried.

2. **Approval for the Comprehensive Fee Schedule Resolution No. 1120 to increase the city mowing rate on nuisance properties (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager**

City Manager, Hodge reviewed the proposed mowing fee schedule with Mayor and City Council.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Smith to Approve the Comprehensive Fee Schedule to include increased mowing fees of \$200 per cutting and \$100 per man hour or portion thereof over 2 man-hours for nuisance property. The motion was declared carried.

3. 420 N. 5th Street Condemnation Discussion (Information)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

City Manager, Hodge reported on lack of progress for condemned property located at 420 N. 5th Street.

4. Update on Solar Farm Project (Information)—Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director

Utilities Director, Schwieger reported an update on the Solar Farm. A ribbon cutting, in conjunction with Evergy, will be held at the location on October 24th at 1:30 p.m. The project is estimated to be completed near the end of October 2024.

5. Regional Summit is October 2, 2024, from 10 am to 3 pm (Information)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

A Regional Summit of Lyon, Chase, Coffey and Osage Counties will be held on October 2nd, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Purpose is to pull together similar projects being completed in each county to capture regionalization on grants. Members of Council are welcome to attend.

6. Chip-seal starting Tuesday, August 27th (Information)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

City Manager Hodge, shared information regarding chip-sealing of city streets which was completed the week of August 26th.

7. Osage County Strategic Plan (Handout)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

City Manager Hodge, shared information regarding the Osage County Strategic plan which was presented to the Industrial Committee during the regular monthly meeting on August 21st by Osage County Economic Development Direction, Colleen Mendoza

8. New Hire for Police Department: Chet Van Sickle to begin on Monday, August 26, 2024 (Information)

Information Only

9. Executive Session for non-elected personnel for 5 minutes—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Motion by Tice, second by Gilliland to enter into executive session for a period not to exceed 5 minutes to include Mayor and City Council, City Attorney, City Manager, City Treasurer, City Clerk & Utilities Director. The motion was declared carried.

Mayor Stromgren declared the meeting entering into executive session at 7:17 p.m. Mayor Stromgren declared the meeting back into open session at 7:22 p.m. no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

At the request of Council Member Tice and on his motion, seconded by Council Member Gilliland and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED: Brian D. Stromgren
Brian D. Stromgren, Mayor

ATTESTED: Amy Woodward
Amy Woodward, City Clerk

