

CITY OF OSAGE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
September 24, 2024

ROLL CALL: Now on this 24th day of September 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 (Remote). Officials present: Rick Godderz, City Attorney; Katie Hodge, City Manager; Sadie Boos, City Treasurer; Amy Woodward, City Clerk; Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director; James Welch, Code Administrator; Craig Croucher, Kurt Cox, Gary Thompson, Kevin Stromgren. Others Present: None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Houghton, second by Smith to approve the agenda. The motion was declared carried.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Jordan Teig, Mollie Teig, Louise Lira, Phillip Shepard, Leland Shepard, Kathy Ayers, Robert Ayers, Teresa Nell, Toby Nell, Jeanette Stromgren, Janet McFarland, Evan Godderz.

Council Member Bausman excused herself from the floor citing conflict of interest related to #2 of the Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of September 10, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of Shirley Bausman to join the Industrial Development Committee as a representative of her employer, Orbis

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

Mayor Stromgren welcomed Council Member Bausman back to the floor.

BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

1. **Public Hearing on behalf of the Osage City Public Library Board (Action Required)—
Brett Waggoner, Governmental Assistance Service**

Mayor Stromgren opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. Jeanette Stromgren shared with Council the proposed improvements. Mayor Stromgren closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Smith to authorize the mayor to execute the Statement of Assurances and Certifications. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Smith, second by Houghton to adopt a Resolution No. 1122 Certifying Legal Authority to Apply for the 2024 Kansas Small Cities CDBG Program from the KS Dept. of Commerce and authorizing the mayor to sign and submit such an application. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Bausman, second by Handly to adopt Resolution No. 1123 assuring the KS Dept. of Commerce that funds will continuously be provided for the operation and maintenance of the improvements to be financed with CDBG funds. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Handly, second by Smith to execute the Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Houghton to execute the Environmental Determination of Level of Review. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Houghton to execute the HUD Applicant/Recipient Disclosure Report. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Handly, second by Tice to execute the contract (contingent on grant award) with Western Consultants dba GAS for CDBG grant administration. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Bausman, second by Smith to execute the contract (contingent on grant award) with Western Consultants dba GAS for CDBG grant administration. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Smith, second by Houghton to approve the required interlocal agreement. The motion was declared carried.

2. Ward 1 Expression of Interest applications review and potential appointment to fill the Ward 1 vacancy (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Mayor Stromgren, reviewed with Council two applications for the Ward 1 vacancy. Citizen Teresa Nell shared with Council her interest and a brief background. Citizen Kathy Ayers shared with Council her interest and a brief background.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Tice to approve Kathy Ayers to fill the Ward 1 vacant council position. A roll call vote was conducted:

Jeanette Swarts – Yea

Mike Handly – Yea

Jeff Tice – Yea

Shirley Bausman – Yea

Mike Gilliland – Yea

Susan Smith – Yea

Cathryn Houghton – Yea

The motion was declared carried.

City Clerk, Woodward, administered Kathy Ayers oath of office. Ayers then took her position on City Council.

3. Employee Awards/Recognition (Information)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Mayor Stromgren presented Service Awards to Kurt Cox who has completed 35 years of employment with the City and to Katie Hodge, who has completed 10 years of employment with the City.

4. Set Public Hearing for October 22, 2024 at 7 p.m. for our KDHE State Revolving Loan Fund Phase 5 Application (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Motion made by Smith, second by Handly to set the public hearing for October 22, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. held at council chambers located at 221 S 5th Street for the purpose of discussing the proposed improvements for the next phase in our wastewater collection system project and for pursuing funding under the low interest State Revolving Loan Fund Program through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. The motion was declared carried.

5. Approval of Charter Ordinance No. 19 for the issuance of General Obligation Bonds for the Power Plant's Foley Engines

City Manager, Hodge, reviewed with Council the proposed Charter Ordinance.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Gilliland to approve Charter Ordinance No. 19.

A roll call vote was conducted:

Jeanette Swarts – Yea

Mike Handly – Yea

Jeff Tice – Yea

Shirley Bausman – Yea

Mike Gilliland – Yea

Susan Smith – Yea

Cathryn Houghton – Yea

Kathy Ayers – Yea

The motion was declared carried.

6. Approval of Fire Station Apron (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Gary Thompson, Property and Parks Superintendent, reviewed with Council the needed update to the concrete at the Fire Station.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Handly to approve Quality Built Construction's bid in the amount of \$39,525.00 for replacing the concrete slab in front of the Fire Department. The motion was declared carried.

7. Approval of the addition of a concrete slab at the Aquatic Center (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Gary Thompson, Property and Parks Superintendent, reviewed with Council the needed update to concrete at the Aquatic Center. The change will allow for more useable deck space.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Smith to approve Quality Built Construction's bid in the amount of \$12,095.00 for adding a concrete slab in at the Aquatic Center. The motion was declared carried.

8. & 9. Approval of Interconnection Standard (Action Required)—Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director; Approval of Ordinance 1688 (Action Required)—Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director

Utilities Director, Schwieger, reviewed with Council the Interconnect Standard and Ordinance 1688.

Motion made by Gilliland, second by Tice to adopt the interconnection Standard. The motion was declared carried.

Motion made by Gilliland, second by Tice to approve Ordinance No. 1688. The motion was declared carried.

10. Approve the contract with Information Network of Kansas (Action Required)—Amy Woodward, City Clerk and Sadie Boos, City Treasurer

City Manager, Hodge, reviewed with Council the benefits of KanPay Counter, for patrons to be able to utilize their credit and debit cards in the office, and other potential uses at community events.

Motion made by Swarts, second by Ayers to approve the contract with Information Network Kansas. The motion was declared carried.

11. Reminder of Shred Day scheduled for October 5th from 9 am – 11 am (Information)

Information Only

ADJOURNMENT:

At the request of Council Member Bausman and on her motion, seconded by Council Member Smith and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned.

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

ATTESTED: Amy Woodward
Amy Woodward, City Clerk

