

CITY OF OSAGE CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
December 17, 2024

ROLL CALL: Now on this 17th day of December 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, Kathy Ayers. Officials present: Katie Hodge, City Manager; Sadie Boos, City Treasurer; Amy Woodward, City Clerk; Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director; Fred Nech, Police Chief; Gary Thompson, Property & Parks Superintendent; Tom Harm, Police Chief. Excused: Rick Godderz, City Attorney. Others Present: Justin Davis; Joseph Thomas (via Video).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Smith, second by Gilliland to approve the amended agenda. The motion was declared carried (8-0).

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: None

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of November 26, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. CMB Licenses
 - a. Marilyn's Restaurant
 - b. White's Foodliner
 - c. Casey's General Store
 - d. Bunky's Hickory Pit LLC
 - e. Osage City Municipal Golf
 - f. Aunt Dee's BP (HAAG, Inc.)

Motion by Tice, second by Swarts to approve the consent agenda. The motion was declared carried (8-0).

BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

- 1. Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for 33 Main Street (Action Required)—Joseph Thomas, Heartland Build+Design**

City Manager, Katie Hodge, reviewed the background of the request for a Conditional Use Permit for 33 Main Street with Mayor and Council.

Motion by Houghton, second by Tice to approve the conditional use permit for 33 Main Street to allow Joseph Thomas with Heartland Design + Build to construct a duplex at that location which is zoned R-1.

2. Mowing/Haying/Landscaping discussion (Action Required)—Gary Thompson, Parks & Rec Superintendent

Property & Parks Superintendent, Gary Thompson, explained the options and desire to solicit for bids for mowing and haying at various City property locations

Motion by Gilliland, second by Handy to allow the City to solicit bids for mowing the airport, South 9th Street Cemetery, and South end of the City lake. The motion was declared carried. (8-0).

Motion by Tice, second by Ayers to allow the City to solicit bids for haying two acres at Huffman park, four acres at the Medical Arts Clinic, and three acres on the South side of the City Lake. The motion was declared carried. (8-0)

3. Approve Christmas Eve Resolution No. 1125 (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Motion by Swarts, second by Gilliland to approve Resolution No. 1125 to add Christmas Eve to the list of holidays for City Employees when the holiday occurs during a normal workday of Monday through Friday. The motion was declared carried. (8-0)

4. Approve Demo Resolution No. 1126 (Action Required)—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Motion made by Gilliland, second by Smith to approve Resolution No. 1126 to increase the demolition reimbursement fees. The motion was declared carried (8-0).

5. Review garage doors bids and approval of the lowest bid from (Action Required)- Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director

Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director, discussed with Mayor and Council the need to replace three garage doors at the Water/Sewer/Gas shop building, including the Police Department storage bay door.

Motion made by Houghton, second by Tice to approve Ridgeway Overhead Door's bid in the amount of \$12,556.00 for replacing the garage doors for the two Gas/Sewer/Water storage bays and the Police Department's storage bay. The motion was declared carried (8-0).

6. Safe Streets Grant—Email from Colleen Mendoza, Osage County Economic Development Director

Katie Hodge, City Manager, shared that there has been no additional information shared yet, but we should hear more regarding the grant soon.

7. Osage County Commission Meeting and Coffey County CHIPS Application Update—Katie Hodge, City Manager

Katie Hodge, City Manager, reviewed with Mayor and Council the Osage County Commissioner’s Meeting regarding Coffey County CHIPS application update.

Motion made by Gilliland, second by Handly to allow Mayor Brian Stromgren to sign a letter of support with the other Osage County Mayors and Chairmen to send with Brad Barrett to Senators Marshall and Moran. The motion was declared carried (8-0).

8. Purchase of new Catalysts for Power Plant engines – Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director.

Dale Schwieger, Utilities Director, shared with Mayor and Council the need to purchase new catalysts for four power plant engines.

Motion made by Gilliland, second by Houghton to purchase four new Catalysts for the Power Plant Engines, not to exceed \$40,000. The motion was declared carried (8-0).

9. Recognition of retiring Police Chief Fred Nech – Brian Stromgren, Mayor.

Mayor Brian Stromgren presented retiring Police Chief with a plaque of recognition for his service to the City of Osage City.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

ATTESTED: Amy Woodward
Amy Woodward, City Clerk

This 14th day of January, 2025.

(SEAL)

