

**CITY OF OKOBOJI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013, 6:00 P.M.**

PRESIDING: Mayor Mary VanderWoude

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Larsen, Robinson, Christensen, Hentges, Delperdang.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim Oswald, Chris Yungbluth, Susan Robinson, Sarah Christensen, Stacy Rosemore.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor VanderWoude called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Christensen/Robinson moved to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Robinson/Larsen moved to approve the consent agenda, which included minutes of the previous meeting 02/20/13, claims for March 2013, Clerk's Report ending February 2013, renewal of a Class C Liquor License for The Wharf with Sunday sales and outdoor service area, and a renewal of a Class C Liquor License for The Outrigger with Sunday sales. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Stacy Rosemore, Tourism Director, to give annual update and report: Stacy Rosemore, Tourism Director, gave the annual Okoboji Tourism update stating Okoboji Tourism is a branch of the Iowa Great Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce. Rosemore provided a report of the last fiscal year for the Council to review and a copy of the latest Vacation Okoboji magazine. Rosemore showed the 2013 schedule of advertising stating Okoboji Tourism would be focusing on more online success. The Minneapolis and Rochester, Minnesota, markets have been very good the past year. Rosemore reported on upcoming events on the green space at the amusement park. The Council thanked Rosemore for her continued good work on behalf of Okoboji Tourism.

Council to conduct a public hearing to consider approval and adoption of the City budget for fiscal year 2013/14 and consider Resolution No. 13-06 "A resolution adopting and certifying the City of Okoboji Fiscal Year 2013/14 Budget:" The Mayor declared the public hearing open to consider approval and adoption of the City budget for fiscal year 2013/14. With no comments from the attending audience, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed. Robinson/Hentges moved to approve and adopt Resolution No. 13-06, "A Resolution Adopting and Certifying the City of Okoboji Fiscal Year 2013/14 Budget." Upon the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: AYES-Delperdang, Hentges, Christensen, Robinson, Larsen; NAYS-None. With the vote being in the majority, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried, and directed City Administrator Dennis Daly to certify the budget with Dickinson County and the State of Iowa.

Council to consider Resolution No. 13-07, "Resolution directing the acceptance of a proposal to purchase general obligation capital loan notes, Series 2013:" Tim Oswald of the Piper Jaffray Company stated with the Moody's rating of A2, the city received a favorable interest rate of less than 2% for this refinance issue, which computes to a savings of over \$60,000 in interest over the life of the existing bond and the money added for new drainage projects. Hentges/Robinson moved to approve and adopt Resolution No. 13-07. Upon the call of the roll, the vote was as follows: AYES-Delperdang, Hentges, Christensen, Robinson, Larsen; NAYS-None. With the vote being in the majority, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried.

Fire Chief Chris Yungbluth to present the Council with information regarding the possible purchase of new fire equipment: Fire Chief Chris Yungbluth gave the annual report to the Council concerning the condition of the fire department as a whole, plus shared a handout showing the Fire and EMS calls for last year ending December 31, 2012. Yungbluth next presented the Council with a 30-year plan for the purchase of fire equipment. Yungbluth stated it is now time to replace the current 1994 Spartan LuVerne pumper, and he stated there is possibly an active buyer for this unit in the \$60,000 - \$70,000 range. Yungbluth stated two other pieces of equipment have outlasted their lifetime, that being a 1994 Crown Victoria car and a 1975 Chevy tanker. Yungbluth went on to say two bids have been received for a new pumper: a Rosenbauer with a

Commander chassis and a Toyne Manufacturing with a Spartan chassis. The Rosenbauer bid with chassis, customization and miscellaneous was \$462,596.00 and would have a 325-day build time. The Toyne Manufacturing bid was \$458,778.48 with a 270-day build time. Yungbluth stated the Truck Committee wishes to purchase the Toyne Manufacturing pumper based on the low bid, stainless steel tank construction, tried and true chassis, and better customer service experience. Yungbluth stated the cost of the pumper to the cities of Arnolds Park and Okoboji would be \$194,389.24 to \$199,389.24. Yungbluth also spoke to the council concerning the purchase of a new 2013 F250 pickup truck. Yungbluth stated the State bid price would be \$36,436.60. The total overall cost for both pieces of equipment would be \$469,911.60. The total costs to the cities of Arnolds Park and Okoboji would be \$217,845.04 to \$222,845.04 depending on the sale of the equipment to be replaced. Delperdang/Christensen moved to proceed with the purchase of new fire equipment as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a commercial dock permit in a residentially zoned district requested by Mr. Don Nolan of 1210 Gordon Drive: Delperdang/Hentges moved to approve the commercial dock permit request by Mr. Don Nolan. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider changing the date of the April 2013 Council meeting: Larsen/Robinson moved to approve the date of the next regularly scheduled council meeting as April 10, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Councilmember Delperdang asked City Administrator Daly to follow up with Engineer Brad Beck concerning the issues with Walter Mendenhall on the new drainage projects.

Councilmember Robinson asked Daly if he was aware that Okoboji resident Gus Kopsas was again pumping water onto the city street. Daly stated he was not aware of the situation, but would look into it.

Mayor VanderWoude wanted to remind everyone she is setting April 24, 2013 at 5:30 P.M. as the date and time for the city's annual special working dinner meeting.

Daly reported he would be attending an Iowa Alcoholics Beverages Division compliance meeting March 21st.

Daly reported the sanitary sewer lift station pumps are now repaired and re-installed, and the cost was in the neighborhood of \$15,000.00. Daly went on to say he and Shop Supervisor Neal Houge have found a new pump company that will be used in the future.

Daly reported the water plant is now up and running and hopefully the final payment for the upgrade will take place possibly in May of this year.

Expenditures for the month of February 2013 are as follows: Public Safety - \$20,342.72; Public Works - \$26,183.42; Culture & Recreation - \$8,800.35; Community & Economic Development - \$1,566.50; General Government - \$29,175.51; Water - \$39,707.53; Road Use Tax - \$3,321.76. Receipts for the same period were \$94,561.30, creating a balance in all funds of \$1,704,257.71. \$248,617.38 of the reported balance is invested in Certificates of Deposit with the United Community Bank.

Robinson/Larsen moved to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Mary VanderWoude, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dennis J. Daly, CMC
City Clerk/Administrator