

**CITY OF OKOBOJI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2013, 6:00 P.M.**

PRESIDING: Mayor Mary VanderWoude

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Dulin, Robinson, Christensen, Hentges, Delperdang

OTHERS PRESENT: Sue Robinson, Neal Houge, Brad Beck

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor VanderWoude called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Christensen/Hentges moved to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Christensen/Hentges moved to approve the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the previous meetings 07/09/13 and 07/30/13, claims for August 2013, and the Clerk's Report ending July 2013. Before the vote was taken, Councilmember Robinson would like it noted that when this Council and Mayor were considering street projects at the last Council meeting, they felt very strongly it was not the right time to spend a large amount of money in addition to some of the major expenses the City of Okoboji is undergoing at this time with further bonding. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Council to conduct a public hearing to solicit comments on adopting the City of Okoboji Zoning Ordinance:

Mayor VanderWoude declared the public hearing open to solicit comments on adopting the City of Okoboji Zoning Ordinance. With no comments from the attending audience, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

Council to introduce the first consideration of Ordinance No. 221, Zoning Ordinance of the City of Okoboji, Iowa: Delperdang/Dulin moved to introduce the first consideration of Ordinance No. 221, Zoning Ordinance of the City of Okoboji, Iowa. All ayes. Motion carried. The second consideration will take place at the September 10, 2013, Council meeting. Ordinance No. 221 is an amendment as provided by Chapter 414 of the Iowa State Code to empower the City of Okoboji to enact a zoning ordinance.

Council to conduct a public hearing for the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimate of costs for the 2013 City of Okoboji Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project: Mayor VanderWoude declared the public hearing open for the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimate of costs for the 2013 City of Okoboji Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. Engineer Brad Beck stated the city had received one bid from Visu-Sewer of Pewaukee, Wisconsin, in the amount of \$353,611.13. Beck stated this was 92.8% of his estimate of \$381,299.00. Beck recommended the Council accept the bid from Visu-Sewer. With no further comment, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed. Delperdang/Robinson moved to accept and approve the bid from Visu-Sewer in the amount of \$353,611.13. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider Change Order #1 in the amount of \$1100.00 for the 2013 City of Okoboji

LID/Drainage Improvements and City Hall Parking Lot Project: Robinson/Dulin moved to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$1100.00. All ayes. Motion carried. Beck explained the change order is for the steps added on the north end of the new City Hall parking lot.

Council to consider Pay Estimate #1 in the amount of \$41,129.63 for the 2013 City of Okoboji

LID/Drainage Improvements and City Hall Parking Lot Project: Robinson/Delperdang moved to approve Pay Estimate #1 in the amount of \$41,129.63. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to review and consider proposed street repair locations and set date for bidding:

City Administrator Dennis Daly presented the Council with a list of various locations and anticipated prices for performing the work. Daly stated the prices were gleaned from Blacktop Services Company of Fort Dodge, Iowa. Daly stated Supervisor Neal Houge and Engineer Brad Beck provided the locations to him. Daly also

stated he now has received approximate prices for repair and replacement of portions of Prospect Street and Brooks North Lane in the amount of \$28,000. Also received was a quote from Bargaen, Inc., for Nuvo Gap sealing of Chalstrom Beach Road in the amount of \$11,826.00. Daly went on to say the total for all the proposed work would be in the amount of \$290,000 - \$300,000.00. Houge stated he would like to see the chip sealing and patching at least completed by September 20th of this year. Daly further stated he has learned the city does not have to bid these projects as it is considered repair and maintenance by chapter 26 of the Code of Iowa. Funding of the street and sewer projects was discussed. The Council stated since this is a large sum of money, quotes should be taken and then decided at a special meeting. After further discussion, Dulin/Christensen moved to set the date of August 23, 2013, as the final day to receive quotes for street work; and August 27, 2013, at 5:00 P.M. as the date and time to conduct a special meeting to consider all quotes received. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider the purchase of a new street sweeper shared with the City of Arnolds Park and entering into a lease purchase agreement for same: Houge stated the maintenance crews of the cities of Arnolds Park and Okoboji have met previously concerning the model of street sweeper they wish to purchase. Trade in of the current sweeper was discussed deciding that putting the unit up for sale would be better. Daly stated 3 quotes have been received, and the crews decided the Johnston VT651 Vacuum Sweeper would fit the needs for both cities. Daly said all companies that performed demonstrations did an excellent job, but both crews would like to see the purchase of the Johnston unit because it is more user friendly. The proposed lease agreement was reviewed, and Daly reported that 3, 4, and 5 year paybacks are presented with the interest rates to be 2.550%, 2.740%, and 2.920% respectively. Robinson/Christensen moved to approve the purchase of the Johnston VT651 Vacuum Sweeper at a cost of \$243,900.00 to be divided equally with the City of Arnolds Park. All ayes. Motion carried. Dulin/Robinson moved to approve Option 1 of the lease proposal for 3 years at a yearly cost of \$25,255.19. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider the purchase of new mowers: Houge stated the last mower purchased was a 1445 John Deere mower, and at the time he was of the opinion a cab could be placed on the mower and removed easily for summer work. Houge stated it is next to impossible to remove, and must be left on for summer work. This creates two problems--one with dirt on the windshield that cannot be removed, and the hazard of rolling over because now it is too top heavy for mowing ditches. Daly stated he and Houge met with the salesman and let him know the city's displeasure with the unit. Northwest Equipment is offering a trade in of the current mower for two new units. The units are a John Deere 997 Commercial zero-turn mower with a sixty-inch mower deck and a John Deere Signature Series X758 Full Time 4 Wheel Drive tractor with a sixty- inch mower deck and forty-seven inch snowblower at a trade-in cost of \$6,715.00. Daly stated funds are available for the purchase. Delperdang/Christensen moved to approve the purchase of the two John Deere mowers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider the re-appointment of Les Marousek to the Planning & Zoning Commission with term to expire 08/15/18: Robinson/Dulin moved to approve the re-appointment of Les Marousek to the Planning and Zoning Commission. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a dock application for Greg Schatz of 1718 Lake Shore Drive for Public Access #4: Christensen/Hentges moved to approve the dock application for Greg Schatz contingent upon receiving the appropriate documentation for insurance. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a dock application for Jay Staines of 2910 Alexander St. for Public Access #9: Robinson/Hentges moved to approve the dock application for Jay Staines. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a granted variance for Craig Camozzi of 1504 Prospect Street: Robinson/Dulin moved to accept the recommendation of the Board of Adjustment for a granted variance for Craig Camozzi. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a granted variance for Patrick McIntyre of 6603 Lake Shore Drive: Christensen/Hentges moved to accept the recommendation of the Board of Adjustment for a granted variance to Patrick McIntyre. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a granted variance for Robert Cramer of 5513 Lake Shore Drive: Christensen/Dulin moved to accept the recommendation of the Board of Adjustment for a granted variance to Robert Cramer. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Mayor reported everyone has received the written police report, and Chief Petersen could not attend this meeting due to medical reasons.

The Mayor reported she is officially going to run for the office of Mayor this election.

Daly stated he is receiving complaints concerning lawn services parking on the streets in town in locations that could cause accidents. The Council asked Daly to monitor the situation.

Expenditures for the month of July 2013 are as follows: Public Safety - \$27,775.33; Public Works - \$41,369.85; Culture & Recreation - \$2,356.23; Community & Economic Development - \$3,292.54; General Government - \$80,295.87; Water - \$33,726.45; Road Use Tax - \$33,506.29; Capital Projects - \$25,055.00. Receipts for the same period were \$140,172.86, creating a balance in all funds in the amount of \$1,451,233.28. \$116,326.74 of the reported balance is invested in Certificates of Deposit with the United Community Bank.

Robinson/Hentges moved to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Mary VanderWoude, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dennis J. Daly, CMC
City Clerk/Administrator