

CITY OF OAKLAND
REGULAR MEETING
15 EAST MAIN ST., CITY HALL
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

The regular meeting of the Oakland city council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with six councilmen present. (Woodworth, Newlin, Drake, Stark, Stolz, and Ehler) Also present were Mayor Harris, Kevin McReynolds with Coles County Regional Planning, Chief Sanders, Mike Apple, Ethan Brewer, John Henry, Roger Hale, Duncan MacGibbon with Francis Associates, Attorney Jim Grant, Treasurer Dan Mathews, Dale Hanner, Janice Hunt with the Independent, and Clerk Grace Thompson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Motion-Woodworth, 2nd-Newlin. Motion approved 6 ayes.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion-Stolz, 2nd-Woodworth. Motion approved 6 ayes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Add Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators Award, ADM. Motion-Stolz, 2nd-Newlin. Motion approved 6 ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

POLICE REPORT: 36 Traffic Citations, 1 traffic accident (no injuries), 1 criminal arrest (Aaron M. Spears, 31, 16 East North St.), impaired driver on Rt 133 west of town, impaired driver (unfounded) they were looking for an address, assisted CC Sherriff's office with 2 accidents, assisted the Oakland ambulance, attempted theft of a dog (unfounded), snowmobile pursuit, and I am looking at part-time applicants. Jack presented Mike Apple with a plaque honoring him for 25 years of service.

PUBLIC WORKS: 1,441,000 Purchased
- 1,334,700 Accounted For up 5.5% from last month
106,300

Read water meters, Ran Consumption Report. 3 re-reads
Collected & mailed monthly BacT sample to IEPA. Completed & mailed monthly operating report to IEPA. Shut off 1 past due account. Checked 3 meters for high usage. Estimated water used by the Fire Department @ 34,000 gallons.

Shut off water @ 1 location -- broken water lines. Compiled cross connection surveys - 3 locations to check. (67% return rate) Collected monthly wastewater sample & delivered to Charleston lab.

Regular maintenance of vehicles, equipment, buildings, and the streets.

Francis Associates compiled specifications for cleaning and painting the water tower. will put out for bid and have results for council to accept a bid at the April meeting. Bid opening will be March 26.

Contacted the insurance company and gave them the replacement costs for our 5 lift stations that were not insured.

The IAWPCO conference is in Springfield, April 13-15. We are one of the finalists for the Class 4 wastewater plant of the year. The awards banquet is from 6--9:30 p.m., we would like to stay the night.

Had to send the backhoe to Altofer CAT for repairs. The torque converter seal went out and the estimate was between \$4 & \$5,000. I spoke with Steve Newlin before I had them pick up the backhoe. The estimate was for the seal replacement only.

OLD BUSINESS: EMPLOYEE'S BENEFITS - **Motion** to approve a new employee policy-Stolz, **2nd**-Woodworth. Motion approved 6 ayes.

ADM--Mayor Harris discussed a road proposal by ADM. A representative will attend the April council meeting.

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL OPERATORS AWARD-
Motion to approve Dale & Randy spending the night in Springfield at this conference--Newlin, **2nd**--Drake.

BILLS REVIEWED AND VOTED PAYABLE -- Motion-Woodworth, **2nd**-Newlin.
Motion approved 6 ayes.

Grace Thompson, City Clerk