

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

The regular meeting of the Oakland city council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with six councilmen present. (Ehler, Stark, Newlin, Stolz, Woodworth, and Drake) Also present were Mayor Harris, Kevin McReynolds with Coles County Regional Planning, Chief Sanders, Randy Duzan, John Henry, Kelsey Willison, Janice Hunt, and Clerk Grace Thompson.

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

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion-Newlin, 2nd-Woodworth. Motion approved 6 ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: John Henry would like to be considered for the full time police position, if the council decides to hire someone.

POLICE REPORT: 1 citation, 1 warning, 1 accident (no injuries) Responded to: missing person, residential alarm east of town, young males with BB guns, possible anhydrous leak (unfounded), theft of a game camera, violation of an order of protection, possible prowler report, assisted the Oakland ambulance 2 times, alarm at the Casey's General Store, alarm at First Farmers Bank, assisted Douglas County with a drug arrest, a domestic at 105 Mill St., assisted Coles County with a fatal hit and run, I'll be attending a training on Nov. 12 "Foundations for Strategic Awareness", I'll be attending a meeting with other agency heads at the state's attorney's office tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS: Purchased 1,692,000 Accounted for 82.2% 2 big leaks this month. Maintenance of vehicles, buildings, equipment, and the streets. Put in a new fire hydrant. Took monthly samples to Charleston lab. Read water meters. Put in 4 new school crossing signs. Replaced 6 other signs. Worked on Christmas lights. Fixed 2 water leaks. Called in 7 JULIE's. Marked 2 JULIE's.

OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSS BUYING OLD RIPLEY & MOTLEY BUILDING--After some discussion, this was tabled for now.

DISCUSS EMPTY LOTS THE MASONIC LODGE OWNES--No action taken, tabled for now.

NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSS PUTTING INSURANCE COVERAGE OUT ON BIDS--After some discussion, it was decided to ask a couple of other agencies for a quote.

DONATION TO OAKLAND HIGH SCHOOL, FCCLA FOR FOOD BASKETS – **Motion** to donate \$100—Stolz, 2nd-Newlin. Motion approved 6 ayes.

POST PROM DONATION – **Motion** to donate \$100-Stolz, 2nd-Newlin. Motion approved 6 ayes.

DONATION TO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE GAZEBO IN HELEN'S PARK– **Motion** to donate \$500-Newlin, 2nd-Woodworth. Motion approved 6 ayes.

Mayor Harris presented Grace Thompson with a plaque for her retirement. Grace has been City Clerk for 22 years.

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

ADJOURNED: 7:45 PM **Motion**-Woodworth, 2nd-Newlin. Motion approved 6 ayes.

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