

City of Oakland
Regular Meeting
City Hall
15 East Main Street
Thursday, Sept 5, 2019
7:00 P.M.

Council members present: Fred Ehler, Steve Newlin, Jack Turner
Bradley Lee Jr.

Also, present: Mayor Bob Michaels, Clerk Vickie McQueen,
Treasurer Dan Mathews, Jim Clifton, Jack Sanders,
Janice Hunt, Attorney Jacob Smallhorn, Mike Patterson,
Doug White

Bob Michaels started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Motion-Ehler, 2nd-Newlin, Motion approved 4 ayes

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion-Turner, 2nd-Lee Motion approved 4 ayes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion- Turner, 2nd- Ehler Motion approved 4 ayes

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

GENERAL BUSINESS:

POLICE REPORT:

Police Report August 2019

-18 Traffic citations including one for 92 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-1 Criminal arrest. Courtnei A. Hays, age 33, Paris for felony theft (Edgar Co. warr.)

Other activity:

-Suspicious person near grain bins on W. Main St. Owner's son.

-Suspicious person near a business on rt. 133. Unable to locate.

- Domestic at 24612 Marathon Lane.
- Domestic at 125 W. North St. initially reported as a criminal damage to property. Victim refused to prosecute.
- Injured animal on N. Walnut.
- Mailboxes damaged apparently by farm equipment.
- Possible vehicle accident S.E. of town. Car in a field.
- Child custody dispute at 326 S. Hazel.
- Property dispute approx. 1 mile S. of town. Heated argument.
- Assisted CCSO with naked man running on rt. 16.
- Cattle in roadway (rt. 133 W. of town)
- 2 suicide threats. One was unfounded. The other transported to hospital.
- Bait.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Sold 22,700 gallons of bulk water
Daily usage= 60,480 gallons

- worked on Aerators at sewer plant
- worked on lift stations -Hazel Dr
- Johnson Drive
- Caleb and Roger sprayed for weeds in street and gutters
- Jennie Curtis texted about public restrooms being very soiled again
- took chlorinator out at pool
- mutual aid with helping Ashmore
- reported possible leak on Logan St
- working on putting in water service for Dave Volk
- street sweeper belt \$800
- Jim reported needing a personnel meeting for a weekend employee

Unfinished Business:

Sidewalk update

Replaced sidewalk by school with the help of Jim Cravens
Next sidewalk will be west side of Kathy Kimball and Caleb Maxedons on Logan St.

Recycling Bin

The bin has been moved to behind City hall (15 E Main St)

Jim Clifton will check on sign that was at school, if gone he will check on getting another sign. He also reported need to check on getting CA7 rock for around the bin.

Bob attended the Hindsboro meeting and they will donate \$1000 for the first time.

Also 2 farmers want to donate \$500 each annually. If everything works out with the donations so far we will be just a small amount shy of the estimated cost. Hopefully residents will donate to keep the bin if that is needed.

Bob did call Advanced Disposal to get assured that it is not being dumped in the landfill and is actually being recycled. After talking to someone there he is comfortable saying it is being recycled.

New Business:

APPROVED SEWER DISCONNECTION FOR: 221 Silver St.

305 Silver St

Motion: Ehler 2nd: Newlin Motion Approved 4 ayes

APPROVED ADDENDUM 2: (Employee Policy Effective August 1, 2019) City Clerk Benefits

Motion: Ehler 2nd: Lee Motion Approved 4 ayes

Discussed if Water St. has been vacated.

Vickie will call Julie Coe's office to see if they have any record of this.

Jim Clifton Presented Discussion of Purchasing a Polaris Side-by-Side

The purchase of a side-by-side would save time and money for reading meters, plowing snow or other uses as needed. Can be used in summer & winter. He reported cost would be \$12,557.00. This would save time on reading meters, gas, wear & tear on truck, which has 85,000 miles now. They borrowed Ashmore's Side-by-side to read meters this month and what takes about 7hrs to do in truck they did in 3 ½ hrs. Only used 2 gallons of gas. The Polaris is equipped with doors windshields and can be used for year round use.

Truck gets 9 miles to gallon and is typically driven 250 miles a week. Also mentioned that they are still riding on back of truck on a step that was made.

They did shop around and this was the best price they could get, Cub Cadet \$16,000; Kubota \$18,000 and John Deere Gator \$22,000.

Turner suggested gathering more budget information and discuss further at next months meeting Thursday Oct. 3, 2019.

Rob Lee had asked Clifton about his Holiday Pay and Personal days now that he is working more than 35 hrs a week.

Clifton asked about a weekend meter reader.

These 2 issues will need to be discussed at a Personnel Meeting.

Discussed the use of Solar Panels in town.

If solar panels are being placed on the roof or on the house this is fine. If they are putting them on the ground, person would need to Email Bob Michaels.

Donation of \$100.00 to Post Prom

Motion: Newlin 2nd-Lee Approved 4 ayes

Motion to go into Closed Session to Appoint New Council Member

Motion: Turner 2nd-Newlin Approved 4 ayes

Motion to go back into Regular Session

Motion: Turner 2nd-Ehler Approved 4 ayes 8:00pm-8:05pm

Approve Donna Taylor as new Ward 1 Council Member

Motion: Ehler 2nd-Turner Approved 4 ayes

Committee Reports/ Building Permits:

Zoning committee Tues Sept, 10, 2019

Bills Reviewed and Voted Payable:

Motion-Ehler 2nd- Turner Motion approved 4 ayes

Adjourned: 8:12 P.M.

Motion- Newlin 2nd - Turner Motion approved 4 ayes

Vickie McQueen, City Clerk

