

CITY OF OSBORN, MISSOURI
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 15, 2021

Mayor Carlena Bradford declared meeting open at 6:00 P.M.

Roll call of council persons:

Present –Mayor Carlena Bradford
Mayor Pro Tem Norman Baumgarden
Alderman Ferren Gibson via phone
Alderman Valerie Kull
Alderman Brian Stone

Also present:

City Clerk Jody Barlow, Doug Moeller – Water/Sewer
Citizen – Mr. Brady-Osborn R-O Superintendent, Jamie Jackson-Osborn R-O Board
Member, Jana Gibson

Consent Agenda:

- A. July 20, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes
- B. August 30, 2021, Tax Rate Hearing Minutes
- C. July Financial Statement
- D. August Financial Statement

Authorization of Bills

- A. August 2021 Bills
- B. September 2021 Bills

Reports:

- A. City Clerk Report
- B. Water Report

Agenda:

Old Business:

- A. Dog Ordinance – Dog Tags?
- B. City Hall Update

New Business:

- A. Osborn School District – Ball Field
- B. Purchase Water from Public Water Supply District #1 of Dekalb County
- C. Alderman Comments

Alderman Kull moved it, second by Alderman Stone to accept & approve the agenda for tonight's meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Alderman Baumgarden, second by Alderman Kull to approve the consent agenda which contained the minutes from the July 20, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes, August 30, 2021, Tax Rate Hearing Minutes, July Financial Statement, and August Financial Statement. Motion passed 4-0.

Bills:

A list of bills was presented for approval and payment for the month of August and September 2021. Alderman Kull moved it, second by Alderman Gibson to approve the list of bills for August and September 2021 as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

Public Comment:

None

Clerk Report:

The Clerk presented the results from the recent Department of Natural Resources inspection of the water plant and system. The report contained items that are recommended to be updated due to their age. The report is available at City Hall.

Water Report:

Water Loss 14%

Old Business:**Dog Ordinance – Dog Tags:**

The Clerk asked if the Board members would like to require dog tags in the updated dog ordinance. After some discussion it was decided to only add the vicious dog section to the ordinance.

City Hall Update:

The Clerk reported that we are waiting for the contractor to start the electrical work next week, then the insulation will follow.

New Business:**Osborn School District – Ball Field:**

Mr. Brady, Superintendent Osborn R-O was present to request to void our current lease with them for the ball field. He stated that they have spent \$55,000.00 so far on the fence, gravel, concrete, lights, and field conditioner. They will need to spend another \$70,000.00 this year on lights. The school also needs to spend another \$75,000.00 on the restrooms and eat shack. The school board feels as though if they spend that kind of money on the field, they should own it. Jamie Jackson, Osborn R-O school board would like for the city to donate the field to the school. The upgrades and improvements are costing them more than originally thought. Mr. Brady said that a quicker decision would be appreciated. A motion was made by Alderman Kull, second by Alderman Gibson to

go into closed session at 6:08 P.M. due to this matter being related to real estate. On roll call, motion passed 4-0.

Actions from Closed Session:

A motion was made by Alderman Gibson, second by Alderman Stone to sell the Osborn Ball Field to Osborn R-O School District for \$5,000.00 plus all legal fees and closing costs. The closing documents will include the following: The field will remain with the name "Osborn Ball Field," the field will be available to the summer leagues, and if the school ever closes the City of Osborn will be the first to receive the option to purchase the field for the original sell price of \$5,000.00 plus inflation. Motion passed 4-0.

Purchase Water from Public Water Supply District #1 of Dekalb County:

After reviewing the suggested improvements from the Department of Natural Resources the board discussed shutting down the city's water plant and purchasing water from the Public Water Supply District #1 of Dekalb County. The water will be softer than the current water that citizens receive from the city's wells. The water filters are aging, and potential replacement costs will be expensive. The city will no longer need to have a chief operator and back-up operator. Doug will only need his distribution water license, which he currently has. The city will still retain all responsibilities associated with billing/collecting payment from each customer, water line maintenance and repairs. The city is only purchasing the water for the City of Osborn. After discussion Alderman Gibson made a motion, second by Alderman Stone to close the city's water plant and purchase the city's water from Public Water Supply District #1 of Dekalb County. Motion passed 4-0.

Alderman Comments:

Alderman Gibson presented a cost estimate for dust control on city streets. The cost for DustGard Magnesium Chloride Solution is \$1.06/gallon delivered and applied per foot. With the city having an estimated six miles it would cost \$35,000.00 for all streets. Alderman Gibson stated that he has been approached by some citizens about putting speed bumps in the streets to slow traffic. After some discussion they would like for Doug to purchase some speed limit signs and post them around town. Alderman Kull asked when streets are going to be worked on again. Doug stated that he is coordinating with the township, and they are planning to start again after Doug's water treatment class ends at the end of September.

Adjourn:

As no other business was presented, Alderman Stone moved, second by Alderman Baumgarden to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 P.M. Motion passed 4-0.

Carlena Bradford, Mayor

Respectfully Submitted,

Jody Barlow, City Clerk