

**The Board of Aldermen Chambers
Odessa Community Building
601 W. Main Street August 8, 2016
Meeting Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Adam Couch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Couch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL – City Clerk Peggy Eoff called the roll.

Alderman Steve Lockhart	Present	Alderman Steve Wright	Present
Alderman Brian Henning	Present	Alderman Ray Harves	Present
Alderman John Carmody	Present	Alderman Mike Stevens	Present

City Staff attending: City Administrator Mickey Ary, Sid Rustman Finance Director, Paul Conway Public Works Director, Collector Jennifer LeBlanc, Police Officers Mark Appleby, Garret Butz, and Marti Steelman, Sergeant Chad Cobb, Police Chief Scott Newhouse, and Attorney Bob Schneiders.

Others present were: Matt Griffith KMZU, Betty and Hannah Spaar - The Odessan.(See attached list of others present)

WELCOME TO VISITORS – Mayor Couch welcomed visitors.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA –

- Finance Committee Report
- Purchasing Card Report
- Income Statement/Balance Sheet
- Monthly Registers
- Approval of Minutes BOA
 - July 25, 2016 Regular Session

Alderman Mike Stevens made a motion for approval of consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Henning. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Mayor Couch went over the agenda before the public comment section. Comments were limited to two minutes.

- Jerry Gardner, Officer Mark Appleby, Jack Yancey, Megan Cobb, Jim Massey, Jeff LeBlanc, Elaine Barber, Debbie Mansell, Mike Chambers, Melissa Bigler, and Shannon Quick spoke regarding the Odessa Police Department.
- Charles Bertram, Mike Begemann, Mrs. Shivley, Doug Timmerberg, and Warren Hunting spoke regarding moving the burn/brush pile to 7147 Hughes Road.

MAYOR’S REPORTS/COMMENTS –

- Mayor Couch thanked everyone who came to the meeting and voiced their comments.
- Mayor Couch thanked the Bruce Whitsitt, the Puddle Jumpers Committee and all groups who helped on Puddle Jumper Days.

ALDERMEN REPORTS –

- Alderman Henning ~ He thanked all those for coming to the meeting. Thanked those who worked on Puddle Jumpers Days.
- Alderman Harves ~ He thanked those involved in Puddle Jumper Days. He had a call from resident who wants yard reseeded because of a City dig on 9th St. He also thanked Kenny Snider and Paul Conway for the idea of using a manure spreader and saving the City money by not having to buy a new sludge truck.
- Alderman Carmody ~ He thanked citizens for their comments.
- Alderman Stevens ~ He thanked the PDJ Committee for their work.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER'S REPORTS –

- Public Works Department Report (Information Only)
- Monthly EMS Summary Report (Information Only)
- Code Compliance Monthly Report (Information Only)

OLD BUSINESS –

- Motion – Approval of closing the current burn/brush pile for yard waste at Odessa Lake Reservoir and move it to 7147 Hughes Road ~ City Administrator Ary explained the motion to move the location from one site to the other. After some discussion, Alderman Lockhart made a motion to table this request. Motion was seconded by Alderman Carmody. Alderman Lockhart stated we could look for a better site. All voted in favor. Motion tabled until August 22, 2016, meeting.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Motion – Approval of appointment to the Board of Zoning Adjustment of John Sanders, to be completing the term of Roy Sousley, which expires in 2018. Alderman Wright made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment. Motion was seconded by Alderman Stevens. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries.
- Motion – Board to approve road closure for First Christian Church on September 10, 2016, from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm ~ Angela Lett stated they are requesting the closure for a block party. The section would be from Dryden St. to the end of the Church property. A motion to approve the street closure from 1st St to the end of the Christian Church property (on Dryden St.) on September 10, 2016, from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Henning. All voted in favor.
- Motion – Approval of the non-renewal of the contract on November 10, 2016, between the City of Odessa and Scott Newhouse as Chief of Police. A motion to approve the non-renewal of the contract on November 10, 2016, between the City of Odessa and Scott Newhouse as Chief of Police was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Wright. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries. The non-renewal was at Chief Newhouse's request.
- Motion – Independent Rate Review re: Missouri American Water ~ Mr. Ary would like to send out RFP's for the rate study. Mr. Ary went over the timeline. A motion to send out RFP's for an independent rate study was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -

- Reported that City met with Mike & Michelle Williams regarding sewer connections at 620 S. 9th St.
- McDowell Street ~ Funding from SEMA has been received. Project will start in mid-September.
- Westside Interceptor has been delayed due to boring. Contractor will notify us of the time extension needed.
- Southeast Treatment Plant ~ City met with Department of Natural Resources to determine plan for pumping lagoon during construction.
- Johnson Drive project progress is on schedule. Water lines are in and storm water work being done now.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION - In compliance with RSMO 610.021

(1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys.

(3) Pertaining to the hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. ...As used in this subdivision, the term "personal information" means information relating to the performance or merit of individual employees:

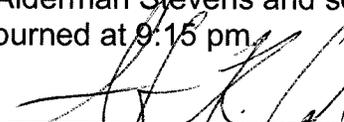
A motion to adjourn to closed session was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Harves. Voice vote was: Carmody yes, Henning yes, Harves yes, Lockhart yes, Wright yes, and Stevens yes. Closed session began at 8:21 p.m.

No votes were taken during closed session.

A motion to return to open session was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Motion carries 6-0. Return to open session at 9:15 p.m.

ADJOURN – A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Wright. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.


Peggy Eoff, City Clerk


Adam R. Couch, Mayor