

**City of Odessa Board of Aldermen
Odessa Community Building | 601 W. Main Street
August 14, 2017 | 7:00 pm
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: Nici Wilson-City Administrator, Dawn Jennings-Finance Director, Peggy Eoff-City Clerk, Lt. Liese-Odessa Division/Lafayette Co. Sherriff, Darrin Lamb-Water/Street Superintendent, Keith Gibson-EMS Director

Others present: Hannah Spaar – The Odessan, Steven Cobb

WELCOME TO VISITORS – Mayor Couch welcomed visitors.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes BOA
 - Purchasing Card Report
 - Delinquent Business License Report
 - Income Statement/Balance Sheet
 - A/P Monthly Register
 - Minutes – July 24, 2017
 - City Administrator’s Report
 - Code Compliance Monthly Report
 - EMS Monthly Reporty

Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Wright to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Steven Cobb thanked the city staff for their assistance with Puddle Jumper Days.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2017 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

- Let the record show there was no public comment. Mayor Couch closed the public hearing at 7:02 pm.

MAYORS REPORT

- Mayor Couch thanked the Puddle Jumper Days Committee and the city staff for all of their hard work before and during the event.

- The 2017-2018 school year for the Odessa R-VII school district begins on Wednesday, please use extra caution when driving with increase in bus and foot traffic.

ALDERMEN REPORTS

- Alderman Harves – Thanked Mr. Cobb and the rest of the committee for their work on Puddle Jumper Days.
- Alderman Lockhart – Received a phone call from Margaret Floyd, 106 W. Main, with concerns of the mud runoff from the construction at Advanced Industries. He also noted the same concern from the area of the former Husman-Sparks-McDowell funeral home that was recently torn down.
 - Mayor Couch stated that the city staff would look into both of these concerns.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was no old business to come before the Board of Aldermen.

NEW BUSINESS

Vehicle Purchase Approval

City Administrator Nici Wilson told the Mayor and Board that the purchase of the 2017 Ford F250 was to replace the 2012 Chevy truck that the City's insurance company totaled as a result of the damage sustained during the March 6, 2017 tornado. The new truck will be purchased based on the amount of the state bid through Hoflander Ford in Higginsville. Motion was made by Alderman Wright, seconded by Alderman Stevens to approve the purchase of a 2017 Ford F250 or comparable vehicle, not to exceed \$26,302.32. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-11 (1st reading)

City Administrator Nici Wilson presented bill no. 2017-11, a proposed ordinance setting forth the tax levy for the year 2017. Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Wright to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-11. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-11 (2nd reading)

Alderman Wright opened with discussion regarding the significant difference in the local railroad and utility assessments from the previous year. City Administrator Nici Wilson noted the values come directly from the county assessor's office and the state tax commission. Motion was made by Alderman Wright, seconded by Alderman Lockhart to table the second reading until the next meeting so that the figures could be reviewed. Motion carried 6-0

Bill No. 2017-12 (1st reading)

City Administrator Nici Wilson presented bill no. 2017-12, a proposed ordinance repealing ordinance no. 2905 to establish the city's procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest for certain municipal officials. It was noted this is a housekeeping item that is required to be done every two (2) years. The ordinance will be filed with the

Missouri Ethics Commission. Motion was made by Alderman Wright, seconded by Alderman Henning to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-12. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-12 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Harves to approve the second reading of bill no. 2017-12. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2017-13 (1st reading)

Mayor Couch presented bill no. 2017-13, a proposed ordinance appointing Lauber Municipal Law, LLC as the City Attorney and Prosecutor. Motion was made by Alderman Wright, seconded by Alderman Harves for the first reading of bill no. 2017-13. Motion carried 5-1.

Bill No. 2017-13 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Wright to approve bill no. 2017-13. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody no Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried. Mayor Couch thanked Barton, Schneider and Hall for their many years of service to the City of Odessa.

Bill No. 2017-14 (1st reading)

Mayor Couch read bill no. 2017-14, a proposed ordinance authorizing the not to exceed issuance of \$2,750,000.00 principle amount of combined waterworks and sewerage system revenue bonds, series 2017. Joey McLiney addressed the Mayor and Board on the proposed ordinance. McLiney stated that this refinance of an existing COP would lower the city's upcoming debt payment with the restructure and provide the funds needed to finish the lagoon closures. McLiney added that this ordinance authorizes him to move forward with securing a purchaser of the bonds and he will be back at the next meeting after the city completes the bond rating interviews with the final numbers. He anticipates all interest rates will be under four (4) percent. Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-14. Motion carried 6-0

Bill No. 2017-14 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Harves, seconded by Alderman Wright to approve bill no. 2017-14. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmoday aye Alderman Lockhart aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

There being no further business to come before the Board of Aldermen in open session, motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Harves to move the meeting into closed session at 7:34 pm pursuant to RSMO 610.021 (1) to allow for the

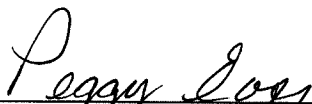
discussion of litigation. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

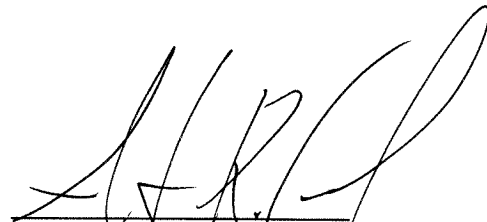
Closed session began at 7:40 pm. The Mayor, Alderman, Attorney Wesley Carrillo Administrator Wilson, City Clerk Eoff, and Finance Director Jennings were present during the closed session. No action was voted upon.

Motion was made to return to open session at 7:55 pm by Alderman Wright, seconded by Alderman Stevens. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Alderman Wright, seconded by Alderman Stevens to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm. Motion carried 6-0.


Peggy Eoff, City Clerk


Adam R. Couch, Mayor