

**City of Odessa Board of Aldermen
Odessa Community Building | 601 W. Main Street
August 28, 2017 | 7:00 pm
Meeting Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Stephen Wright called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Acting President Stephen Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Peggy Eoff called the roll. Mayor Couch was absent.

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

City Staff present: Nici Wilson-City Administrator, Dawn Jennings-Finance Director, Peggy Eoff-City Clerk, Lt. Liese-Odessa Division/Lafayette Co. Sherriff, Sybille Wilson, Codes Director

Others present: Hannah Spaar-The Odessan, Steven Cobb, Mallory Brown-City of North Kansas City, Nicholas & Ashley Peerson, Sam MacDonald-McLiney and Co., David Martin-Gilmore Bell

WELCOME TO VISITORS

Acting President Wright welcomed visitors.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes BOA
 - August 14, 2017 Budget Work Session
 - August 14, 2017 Regular Session

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

MAYORS REPORT

- No report, Mayor Couch was absent

ALDERMEN REPORTS

- Alderman Harves – Inquired if we had the new truck that was previously approved. Jennings stated that it had been picked up and was already in service and being used.
- Alderman Lockhart – Noted that he received a follow up phone call from Margaret Floyd, 106 W. Main, to thank the city for how fast the cleanup was done.
- Alderman Carmody – Received a complaint on the speeding on Johnson Drive. Lt. Liese noted they would increase patrol in the area.

Public Comments

Nicholas & Ashley Peerson, at 107 S. Russell, addressed the Board with concerns on their recent utility bill, in that both them and the landlord were charged the base charges. Nici Wilson apologized that they were originally given that information, but noted after looking into the issue the landlord was not charged. Wilson further noted that at this time the City's billing software is not able to prorate charges, however that policy will be able to be reviewed once the conversion to the new software is complete, as it has the capabilities. Mr. Peerson inquired as to the additional deposit he had to pay. It was explained that all accounts are required to have a deposit on file and an account that reaches final status after being inactivated will have the deposit refunded.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill No. 2017-11 (2nd 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 Harves to approve the second reading of bill no. 2017-11. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Recognition of Peggy Eoff

Nici Wilson introduced Mallory Brown, Deputy City Clerk of North Kansas City. Brown was in attendance on behalf of the Missouri City Clerks and Finance Officers Association and presented City Clerk Peggy Eoff a certificate achievement for completing the requirements outlined to become a Missouri Registered City Clerk.

Special Events Application

Life Point Church submitted a special events application requesting approval for the use of the 1912 Pavilion and field on October 21, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm for their Annual Community Festival. City Administrator Nici Wilson stated that the field had been damaged as a result of the heavy rains during Puddle Jumper Days as it was the

location of the carnival. Work is beginning soon to repair the grass area and it won't be available for use. Wilson further noted that she would work with the applicant on an area around the 1912 Building for their event. Motion was made by Alderman Stevens seconded by Alderman Henning to approve the application request and for city staff to work with the applicants on the exact location that will allow the event to be successful, but not disrupt the repaired green space. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-15 (1st reading)

City Administrator Nici Wilson presented bill no. 2017-15, a proposed ordinance amending ordinance 2883, Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$8,000,000 Principal Amount of Combined Waterworks and Sewerage System Revenue Bonds (State of Missouri- Direct Loan Program) Series 2014 of the City of Odessa, Missouri. In a memo to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Wilson explained that the City had received notification from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources that the administrative fees associated with the City's bonds through the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) are being reduced. The fees were included in the original ordinance language, therefore a change to those fees require an ordinance amendment. Motion was made by Alderman Harves, seconded by Alderman Stevens to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-15. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-15 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Stevens to approve the second reading of bill no 2017-15. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2017-16 (1st reading)

City Administrator Nici Wilson presented bill no. 2017-16, a proposed ordinance amending ordinance 2901, Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$3,000,000 Principal Amount of Combined Waterworks and Sewerage System Revenue Bonds (State of Missouri- Direct Loan Program) Series 2015 of the City of Odessa, Missouri. In a memo to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Wilson explained that the City had received notification from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources that the administrative fees associated with the City's bonds through the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) are being reduced. The fees were included in the original ordinance language, therefore a change to those fees require an ordinance amendment. Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-16. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-16 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Lockhart, seconded by Alderman Henning to approve the second reading of bill no. 2017-16. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2017-17 (1st reading)

Acting President Stephen Wright read bill no. 2017-17, the proposed ordinance amending Chapter 7 – The Odessa Community Development Code. Codes Officer, Sybille Wilson told the Board that steps to implement to a more current building code began in late 2016 when the City purchased the books of the 2012 International Building Codes and the 2011 National Electric Code to be on file in City Hall for review. This step came after the City went through an ISO rating where it was noted the City needed to update their building codes. In a memo to the Board, Wilson further noted that she reached out to inspectors in other communities that have already adopted the 2012 code and received feedback, input and suggestions from them as she moved forward in the process. Wilson contacted several local builders to get their comments and concerns and all noted they are already building to the 2012 code in other cities. Motion was made by Alderman Stevens, seconded by Alderman Harves to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-17. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-17 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Carmody to approve bill no. 2017-17. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2017-18 (1st reading)

Acting President Stephen Wright read bill no. 2017-18, a proposed ordinance authorizing the City of Odessa, Missouri to enter into an insurance agreement relating to its combined waterworks and sewerage system revenue bonds, series 2017; amending Ordinance No. 2937 in connection therewith; and authorizing certain actions and documents and prescribing other matters relating thereto. Sam McDonald, representative of McLiney and Co. who serves at the City's financial advisors told the Board of Aldermen that City Hall staff recently went through the processes to receive a bond rating, which is similar to a credit rating. McDonald noted he was happy to report the City went from being a non-rated City to a City with an "A-" rating and furthermore was able to purchase insurance to buy up to an "A" rating and save significant amounts in interest. McDonald added, this is a big deal in the world of government finance and thanked the City Hall staff for their work in completing this. It was further added that by completing this refinance it will save the City money, provide the funds needed to finish the lagoon closures which is the final step in the sewer improvements required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and give the city additional time to increase users of the system. Motion was made by Alderman Henning, seconded by Alderman Stevens to approve the first reading of bill no. 2017-18. Motion carried 6-0.

Bill No. 2017-18 (2nd reading)

Motion was made by Alderman Harves, seconded by Alderman Lockhart to approve bill no. 2017-18. Vote as follows: Alderman Carmody aye Alderman Stevens aye Alderman Wright aye Alderman Henning aye Alderman Harves aye Alderman Lockhart aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Alderman Lockhart, seconded by Alderman Stevens to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Approved:

September 25, 2017

Peggy Eoff
Peggy Eoff, City Clerk

Adam R. Couch
Adam R. Couch, Mayor