

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday May 28th, 2024, 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers
115 N 3rd Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday May 28th, 2024, at 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was held at the City Hall Council Chambers and on Zoom.

Present: Mayor Ken Williams
Council Member Melanie Cozzi
Council Member Tim Krug
Council Member Terry Schuster
City Manager Darin DeHaan
City Attorney Paul Chadwick
Deputy Chief of Police Matt Kalnins
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton
Absent: Council Member Kurt Wilson
Also Present: Charlene Coulombe and Bill Covell.

Mayor Ken Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Deputy Chief of Police Matt Kalnins started the pledge of allegiance.

Council Members Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, and Mayor Williams answered roll call. A quorum was present.

Presentation

None.

Public Comment

OCEDC Executive Director Charlene Coulombe presented Mayor Ken Williams with a Certificate of Appreciation for helping to establish the Ogle County Economic Development Corporation.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve the May 14th, 2024, minutes, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Approval of Warrants & Payroll

Council Member Tim Krug moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$58,156.54 and the current warrants as listed:

Ace Hardware & Outdoor Center	\$1,540.18
AEP Energy	\$5,743.79
Altec Industries, Inc	\$749.75
Ancel Glink, P.C.	\$840.00
Black Diamond Plumbing & Mechanical Inc	\$11,109.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$16,673.50
Butitta Bros. Automotive - Oregon	\$643.08
Caspers Home Inspection LLC	\$1,550.00

City of Oregon	\$5,000.00
Comcast	\$797.12
Comcast	\$846.19
ComEd	\$235.73
ComEd	\$494.21
Constellation	\$7,542.53
Dan Flanagan	\$1,475.00
Euclid Managers	\$1,632.02
Fehr Graham	\$2,251.19
Fehr Graham	\$12,500.00
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$3,373.50
Freeport Industrial Roofing	\$87,775.00
Frontier	\$90.74
Hackbarth Truck and Equipment	\$370.00
Hawkins, Inc	\$2,499.24
Helm Civil	\$281.00
Highstar Traffic	\$4,254.90
Hometown Auto Repair	\$188.70
Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network	\$100.00
Johnson Oil	\$514.93
Ken Williams	\$25.00
Kurt Wilson	\$25.00
LAI, LLC	\$11,072.70
Lands' End Business Outfitters	\$29.00
Liz Hiemstra	\$571.43
Manheim Solutions	\$2,592.00
MCS Advertising	\$125.00
Menards	\$319.49
Nicor	\$133.16
No Stone Unturned Crystals & More, LLC	\$225.00
Ogle County Clerk and Recorder	\$60.00
Ogle County Collector	\$836.10
Polo Cooperative Association	\$3,693.75
Postmaster	\$739.88
Quill	\$277.02
Rogers Ready Mix	\$1,644.00
Stillman BancCorp	\$2,036.03
Sun Life Financial	\$401.08
Taryn Bradley	\$250.00
Terry Schuster	\$25.00
Verizon	\$528.61
Village of Progress	\$1,280.00
Visa	\$970.22
Visa	\$2,033.40
Visa	\$2,427.15
White Pine Mercantile, LLC	\$395.00
	\$203,786.32

Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Business Items

Mayor Ken Williams moved to approve authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for Constellation Bid for 36 months at .4286 for Street Lighting, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

Discussion: City Manager Darin DeHaan said the rates are continually changing. He said the new rates are almost double what they were last year. New rates have been presented for the Street Lighting bid in the amount of .04148 just this morning. Mayor Ken Williams said a shorter term may be best with the fluctuating rates. Council Member Tim Krug said he would feel comfortable with the three-year contract if cancellation without penalties was an option.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to amend the existing motion to execute a contract for Constellation Bid for 1 year at .04026 or allow the City Manager to approve a 3-year contract with a cancellation option at any time without penalty, Seconded by Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to approve the underlying motion to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for Constellation Bid for Street Lighting, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to approve the City Manager to execute the contract for Constellation Bid for 36 months at .05780 for Pumping accounts, Seconded by Council Member Melanie Cozzi.

Discussion: Council Member Terry Schuster asked why the rates were different for the street lighting and the pumping. Public Works Director Bill Covell stated the cost is higher due to the infrastructure involved. Mayor Ken Williams said the city does the pumping at night because the rates are reduced.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson

Council Member Melanie Cozzi moved to approve the Capital Improvement Plan, Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

Discussion: City Manager Darin DeHaan said with the new software, amendments can be made to projects if we need to make changes. Mayor Ken Williams said these are major projects, the plan is the city's road map. The projects in the plan will still require City Council approval.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Discuss Options for Residential Curbside Waste Collection Program (Garbage Contract): City Manager Darin DeHaan said the current contract that began with Moring Disposal and transferred to Republic will be expiring in October. He said multiple companies have reached out to him. He suggested the city go to bid due to potential

increases from Republic. He said recycling is the largest unknown, but the RFP would include specific services the city wants to include for services provided. Council Member Melanie Cozzi said the community needs to be educated on what items can truly be recycled. Mayor Ken Williams said one of the companies interested in providing services to the city included education to the public as an option. The City Council also discussed adding community clean up days as an option for services provided.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Council Member Terry Schuster moved to authorize the City Manager to issue an RFP for Residential Curbside Waste Collection Program, Seconded by Council Member Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Proclamations, Commendations, Etc.

None.

Discussion Items

Ordinance 2024-006 Updating the Street Vendor Provision of the Oregon City

Code: City Manager Darin DeHaan said he has received requests regarding food trucks. The current code needs language changes and general updating. The Planning Commission reviewed the current ordinance and made suggestions regarding locations and hours of operation. They did not want the food trucks to affect existing restaurants. Mayor Ken Williams stated the Planning Commission was very protective of the local restaurants. Council Member Terry Schuster said food trucks are a quick and easy option. He also said many restaurants are closed on Sundays and Mondays. Council Member Melanie Cozzi asked how many store fronts are open on Sundays and Mondays. If we are encouraging people downtown, maybe allowing food trucks on more days with specific hours would maximize the benefits for everyone. They also discussed allowing food trucks to be located on the West side of the Sarah Phelps Plaza and the 5th Street parking lot.

Committee Reports

None.

Department Reports

Deputy Chief of Police Matt Kalnins: The department received a plaque in recognition of reaching the Gold Standard for Policy Management. City Manager Darin DeHaan said policy management is one more thing Deputy Chief Kalnins took over. He said this is no small task with constantly changing state laws, this achievement speaks highly of our department.

Public Works Director Bill Covell: Bill Covell thanked the department for placing new flags downtown for the upcoming Memorial Day holiday. He also said the new blowers are much more efficient and time saving.

City Manager Darin DeHaan: Thanked Bill Covell for coordinating the roof and AC installation at City Hall.

Council Reports

Council Member Melanie Cozzi: Farmers Market starts next Thursday. The Oregon Park District will be there as well as new vendors.

Mayor Ken Williams: Thanked the Oregon VFW for a wonderful Memorial Day ceremony.

Council Member Tim Krug moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Council Member Terry Schuster.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Schuster, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Wilson.

Adjourn: 6:26 P.M.

Ken Williams, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk