## CITY OF OWOSSO

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES SYNOPSIS

## **Monday, August 05, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Christopher T. Eveleth, Mayor Pro-Tem Susan J. Osika, Councilmembers Loreen F. Bailey, Janae L. Fear, Jerome C. Haber, Daniel A. Law, and Nicholas L. Pidek.

**ABSENT:** None.

Mayor Eveleth requested a moment of silence in honor of Rick Schneider who passed away earlier in the day.

# **PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

None.

# PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

# CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Burton Fox commented that he was there to promote the Shiawassee County Firefighters Memorial but he was there with a heavy heart after the passing of Rick Schneider this morning. Mr. Fox also shared that Mr. Schneider was the committee’s biggest advocate for fundraising.

Tom Manke commented about Mr. Schneider stating his passion was for firefighters and people. Mr. Manke also thanked the council on the good things going on in the City right now. He stated his expertise is in cyberspace and he is going to help fundraise for the Firefighters Memorial by using that.

Ed Urban showed a handmade Purple Heart wall hanging that he won at a veteran’s conference Mr. Urban also shared he picked up a handout at the Shiawassee County Fair about the Purple Heart Day, which Mr. Urban read a portion of.

Barbara Chase owns the house at 421 Grover Street and wanted to know what the city is going to do with the burned out house at 426 Grover Street.

City Manager Henne responded to Ms. Chase stating the city will be tearing the house down this year, hopefully before the end of the year.

Mayor Eveleth commented about the Moonlight Market and what a great event it was. He also congratulated Tracy Peltier and the people around her who made it happen.

# CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

Boards and Commissions Appointments. Approved the following Mayoral Boards and Commissions appointments:

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| **Name** | **Board/Commission** | **Term Expires** |
| Christopher Owens | Parks & Recreation Commission | 06/30/2021 |
| Elaine Greenway | Parks & Recreation Commission | 06/30/2020 |

Owosso Community Players parking spaces. Approved request from Carl Ludington, OCP Representative, for the use of 2 parking spaces directly in front of OCP for the 2019-2020 OCP shows on the following dates/times: **2019, 3:00 pm shows** - Sept 8,15; Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 10; Dec. 14,15, 2019**; 2020 3:00 pm shows** – Jan. 3,18; Mar 1, 8; Apr 19,26; June 14, 21; 2020**; 2019 7:00 pm shows** – Sept 28; Dec 13, 14, 15, 2019; **2020 7 pm shows**; Jan 18, 2020**; 2019 8 pm shows** Sept 6, 7, 13, 14; Oct 25, 26; Nov 1, 2, 9, 2019; **2020 8:00 pm shows** Feb 28, 29; Mar 6, 7, 13; Apr 17, 18, 24, 25; Jun 12, 13, 19, 20, 2020 and authorize Traffic Control Order No. 1422 formalizing the action.

Bicycle Show and Swap Meet. Approved request from Rick Morris, Westown Merchant’s member, for the closure of the parking lot at 800 W. Main St. on Sunday, August 11, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and authorize Traffic Control Order No. 1424 formalizing the action.

Vintage Motorcycle Show. Approve request from Josh Adams, Owosso DDA Executive Director, for street closures for the Vintage Motorcycle Show Event. The closure of Washington Street from Main Street to Williams Street; Exchange Street from Washington Street to Park Street, on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and authorize Traffic Control Order No. 1425 formalizing the action.

Contract Amendment – Professional Service Agreement. Authorized an amendment to the professional service agreement with C2AE of Lansing, Michigan dated October 21, 2013 in the amount of $155,000 as Addendum No 6, for providing engineering design and construction administration services for replacement of influent screw pumps and grit removal system at the wastewater treatment plant

# ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Professional Agreement - MML Wage Study – Approved to enter into an agreement with Michigan Municipal League for a Non-Union Wage and Classification Study.

Closed Session. Held a Closed Session after the last session of Citizen Comments and Questions for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining negotiations

# COMMUNICATIONS

Gary Burk - Mid-County Wastewater Treatment Plant Review Board- Letter of resignation

DDA/MainStreet. Minutes of July 10, 2019

Parks & Recreation Commission. Minutes of May 29, 2019

***CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS***

Tom Manke commented he wanted to bring to the city council attention, they should check on the consent agenda the vintage motorcycles date on the agenda it says it is on the 14th of August which is a Wednesday. He shared the city was losing a valuable person with Gary Burk. He also commented that the downtown sidewalk on Exchange Street is in bad shape. He continued asking if you have a problem with a contractor why the city can’t just move on to the next contractor. Mr. Manke also stated he has had people ask why they have to pay to pay their water bill?

**Ed urban shared a story about an Owosso women complaining about dead flowers around Owosso because of the lack of water nobody is watering them. He also shard his neighbor would like a gated Glenwood Avenue and Monroe street so people won’t run the stop sign. Mr. Urban stated there was a vehicle that ran stop signs (Gould and Monroe, Glenwood and Monroe) and Mr. Unban estimated they were driving about 65 to 75mph.**

Carol Ann Smith, Jackson Drive, explained the she takes Moore Avenue across to go to the hospital for work. She stated at Krust and Moore there is a yield sign for Krust Drive but people don’t always observe the yield sign. She herself was involved in an accident at that corner because the other driver didn’t see the yield sign. She is requesting a stop sign at Krust to replace the yield sign.

City manager Henne stated they will check into stop at Krust instead of yield.

Councilmember Pidek asked about the convenience fee and was wondering if it was a BS&A fee.

City manager Henne stated he will look into it.

Councilmember Pidek also stated that he knew that businesses pay the credit card cost. Thought maybe there could be a reduction of the cost per transaction.

Councilmember Law stated that he sees that to be problematic and would it be reasonable comparison that using a credit card would be more cost effective then if someone dropped a check in the drop box and the labor involved with processing the check.

City Manager Henne responded to Councilmember Law that it wouldn’t be a savings but a reallocation of duties.

Council amended the date of the vintage motorcycle show on the agenda to the 24th of August.

***NEXT MEETING***

Monday, August 19, 2019

***BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS***

Building Board of Appeals – Alternate - term expired June 30, 2019

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Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – term expires June 30, 2022

Historical Commission – 2 terms expire December 31, 2021

Planning Commission – term expired June 30, 2019

SATA Board of Directors – term expires October 1, 2022

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Christopher T. Eveleth, Mayor

Roxane K. Cramer, Deputy City Clerk

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