

**CITY OF OWOSSO  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES SYNOPSIS  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020**

A moment of silence was held in memory of former Councilmember Richard Crutts on the occasion of his passing.

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

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Loreen F. Bailey.

**PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Proposed Special Assessment District No. 2020-01 - Hazards and Nuisances. Conducted a public hearing to receive citizen comment regarding proposed Special Assessment District No. 2020-01, Hazards and Nuisances, as it relates to unpaid costs incurred in the altering, repairing, tearing down, abating or removing of hazards and nuisances. The following person commented in regard to the proposed special assessment roll: Tom Manke. The Council approved the list as amended.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Tom Manke said the County Commission has removed all requirements to wear masks inside the County Courthouse and legal charges against his brother Karl have been dropped. He also noted that the County received a grant of more than \$200,000 to help pay the sheriff's department during COVID and wondered if the City had applied for a similar grant.

Eddie Urban said he has free face shields for those that are interested. He also reminded everyone that the City has only a couple of months left in its Most Patriotic designation.

Larry Johnson, Shiawassee County Health Director, gave an update on the pandemic in the county, saying there have been no serious outbreaks so far in the schools despite an increase in the number of cases per week overall. Hospital rates are down in general. The county has hovered at a 2.3% positivity rate, even with increased testing.

In response to Mr. Manke's question about grant funding City Manager Henne indicated the City had received two grants for first responders totaling more than \$270,000.

Mayor Eveleth noted that the Open Meetings Act was amended by the legislature recently allowing virtual meetings to be held until the end of 2021. He said he would like to continue with Zoom meetings because public participation seems to be better, though he said he would like to hold the organizational meeting in person.

Mayor Pro-Tem Osika gave a brief update on Glo events planned for the Thanksgiving weekend including a reverse parade and a fun run. There will be no ball drop for New Year's this year.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

Proposed Ordinance Amendment – Small Cell Wireless Facilities. Set a public hearing for Monday, November 2, 2020 to receive citizen comment regarding the proposal to add Article VII, Small Cell Wireless Facilities, to Chapter 34, Utilities and Services, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Owosso.

Pink Panther Fun Run Permission. Approved the request of the DDA/Main Street for use of Exchange Street from Water Street to Washington Street, Water Street from Exchange Street to North Street, and North Street east to the High School for a 5K fun run on Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 8:30 am until 10:30 am, waived the insurance requirement, and authorized Traffic Control Order No. 1439 formalizing the request.

Professional Services Agreement – Water System Risk & Resiliency Assessment & Emergency Response Plan. Authorized professional services agreement with Tetra Tech for development of a Water System Risk & Resiliency Assessment and an update to the Water System Emergency Response Plan in the amount of \$19,900.00, plus a contingency of \$3,800.00.

Professional Services Agreement – Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition System. Authorized professional services agreement with Tetra Tech for development of a supervisory control and data acquisition system for the water treatment plant in the amount \$346,000.00, plus a contingency amount of \$41,000.00 with prior written approval.

Warrant No. 591. Authorized Warrant No. 591 as follows:

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Gould Law, PC	Professional services-9/15/20-10/12/20	General	\$11,089.48

Check Register – September 2020. Affirmed check disbursements totaling \$3,276,648.97 for September 2020.

Bid Award – Private Property Lead Service Line Replacement. (This item was added to the agenda.) Authorized bid award to Smith Sand & Gravel for the replacement of lead and galvanized water service lines on private property in the amount of \$28,060.00, plus a contingency of \$5,600.00.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

City Budget Amendment. Adopted Amendment No. 1 to the 2020-2021 Budget as proposed.

Tax Foreclosed Property – Genesee Street. Authorized acquisition of the tax foreclosed property located at 305 Genesee Street through the first right of refusal process in the amount of \$4,710.20.

Shiawassee District Library Director Steven Flayer was on hand to ask the City to cover the cost of asbestos abatement when the Library replaced the floor covering recently. Councilmember Pidek had questions regarding the request and it was agreed the matter would be brought up at a future meeting should it be warranted.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Cheryl A. Grice, Finance Director. September 2020 Revenue & Expenditure Report.

N. Bradley Hissong, Building Official. September 2020 Building Department Report.

N. Bradley Hissong Building Official. September 2020 Code Violations Report.

N. Bradley Hissong Building Official. September 2020 Inspections Report.

N. Bradley Hissong Building Official. September 2020 Certificates Issued Report.

Kevin D. Lenkart, Public Safety Director. September 2020 Police Report.

Kevin D. Lenkart, Public Safety Director. September 2020 Fire Report.

Planning Commission. Minutes of September 28, 2020.

Historical Commission. Minutes of October 12, 2020.

**NEXT MEETING**

Monday, November 02, 2020

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS**

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – County Representative – term expires 06-30-2020

Building Board of Appeals – Alternate - term expires June 30, 2022

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Christopher T. Eveleth, Mayor

Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk

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