

**CITY OF OWOSSO
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES SYNOPSIS
MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2024**

PRESENT: Mayor Robert J. Teich, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem Susan J. Osika, Councilmembers Janae L. Fear, Jerome C. Haber, Daniel A. Law, Emily S. Olson and Nicholas L. Pidek.

ABSENT: None.

PROCLAMATIONS/SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Kim White, Director of the Shiawassee District Library, said there is a free event at the Lebowsky Center on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. to hear the author of "FireKeepers Daughter."

Tom Manke said the book is great. Asked why the city went with an out-of-town realtor on the sale of the Gould House. He said it was a shame because he thought the City had a program if you have a business in Owosso you can get paid up to 10% more.

Justin Horvath, said the SEDP supports Item #1 on the consent agenda for 344 W. Main Street and Item #2 for the Brownfield plan for new housing development for Woodland Trails and Washington Park.

Jane Ferraro asked the council to vote against the zoning ordinance in regards to the residential districts.

Mayor Pro-Tem Osika stated the Shamrock Shuffle was a success and thank you to the volunteers.

Mayor Teich announced the Owosso Chocolate Walk on April 20, 2024 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Check in is at Gilbert's Hardware and tickets are \$10.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

Set Public Hearing - Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate – 344 West Main Street.

Approved setting a public hearing for Monday, April 1, 2024 to receive citizen comment regarding the application from Curwood Place LLC for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate for the property located at 344 West Main Street.

Set Public Hearing – Proposed Brownfield Plan #23. Approved setting a public hearing for Monday, April 1, 2024 to receive citizen comment regarding the proposed Brownfield Redevelopment Plan #23 – Woodland Trails/Washington Park Redevelopment Project.

Traffic Control Order - The Shi-Tri 2024. Approved request from Fitness Coliseum and the Friends of the Shiawassee River for use of Lot #10 on May 18, 2024 from 12:00pm through May 19, 2024 at 2:00pm and various streets on Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 8:00am through 11:30am for The Shi-Tri, and further approved Traffic Control Order No. 1511 formalizing the action.

MSHDA NEP Grant – Grant Administration Approval. Approved and accepted the terms and conditions of MSHDA Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) Grant, Grant # HDF-2024-37-NEP in the amount of \$75,000, designated authorized signatories for said grant, and authorized implementation of the grant according to the Program Guidelines.

Contract Authorization – Ambulance Services to Fairfield Township. Authorized agreement with Fairfield Township to provide ambulance service coverage on their behalf with a charge to the Township in the amount of \$14,000.00 annually plus charges for services provided.

Contract Authorization – Ambulance Services to Middlebury Township. Authorized agreement with Middlebury Township to provide ambulance service coverage on their behalf with a charge to the Township in the amount of \$37,591.33 annually plus charges for services provided.

Bid Award – 2024 Bridge Projects. Approved bid award to E.T. Mackenzie Company of Grand Ledge, Michigan for bridge rehabilitation on the Gould Street Bridge and the Oakwood Pedestrian Bridge in the amount of \$274,893.95, with a \$10,000 contingency, and further approved payment to the contractor upon satisfactory completion of the project or portion thereof.

Bid Award – 2024 Sewer Lining Project. Approved bid award to Corby Energy Services, Inc. of Belleville, Michigan for sanitary and storm sewer living services in the amount of \$141,902.00, with a \$20,000 contingency, and further approved payment to the contractor upon satisfactory completion of the project or portion thereof.

Warrant No. 641. Authorized Warrant No. 641 as follows:

Vendor	Description	Fund	Amount
Randy Smith 304 Oakwood Avenue	Reimbursement – Water service line replacement – leak at 221 North Ball St	Water	\$10,642.00

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Ordinance Adoption – Zoning Ordinance Rewrite. Approved the proposal to repeal and replace Chapter 38, Zoning, of the Code Ordinances and move Chapter 26, Signs, within the new Zoning Ordinance, updating the City's Zoning Ordinance and map.

Blight Grant Agreement – 117 West Exchange Street. Removed from the agenda.

COMMUNICATIONS

Parks and Recreation Commission. 2023 Annual Report.

Tanya S. Buckelew, Planning & Building Director. February 2024 Building Department Report.

Tanya S. Buckelew, Planning & Building Director. February 2024 Code Violations Report.

Tanya S. Buckelew, Planning & Building Director. February 2024 Inspections Report.

Tanya S. Buckelew, Planning & Building Director. February 2024 Certificates Issued Report.

Kevin D. Lenkart, Public Safety Director. February 2024 Police Report.

Kevin D. Lenkart, Public Safety Director. February 2024 Fire Report.

Owosso Historical Commission. Minutes of February 27, 2024.

Parks & Recreation Commission. Minutes of February 28, 2024.

Downtown Development Authority. Minutes of March 6, 2024.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Tom Manke talked about smaller homes and downsizing. He asked if commercial roofs are inspected downtown, and said he hopes the City will keep the façade for the Exchange Street building.

Cheryl Farver said she was disappointed in council.

Mayor Teich said congratulations to Chief Lenkart for the work on the Fairfield and Middlebury Township ambulance service contracts.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, April 01, 2024

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS

Building Board of Appeals – Alternate - term expires June 30, 2024

Building Board of Appeals – Alternate - term expires June 30, 2025

Zoning Board of Appeals – Alternate – term expires June 30, 2024

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Robert J. Teich, Jr., Mayor

Tanya S. Buckelew, Recording Clerk

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