

**CITY OF OWOSSO
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES SYNOPSIS
MONDAY, MAY 06, 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

Buddy Poppy Sale Kickoff. (This item was added to the agenda.) VFW Post 9455 Poppy Queen Helena Alto was on hand to sell the ceremonial first Buddy Poppy to Mayor Robert J. Teich, Jr. marking the start of the annual Buddy Poppy Sale in Owosso.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Tom Manke asked if there are any updates on the Fifth Third building, remarked about a slip and fall incident at City Hall, and said he would like to see Council take a stand on whether zoning issues should stay local or be decided by the State.

Mayor Teich said he had the pleasure of attending the soft opening of Barrister Brewery in Westtown, recommending the establishment to everyone. He also thanked each of the citizens that volunteered to serve on a City board or commission.

It was noted that the City Manager provides an update on the Fifth Third building in his City Manager Report each month on the City website.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

Set Public Hearing - 2024-2025 City Budget. Set required Public Hearing pursuant to Chapter 8 of the City Charter for Monday, May 20, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 301 West Main Street, to receive citizen comment regarding the 2024-2025 Proposed City Budget.

Set Public Hearing - DWSRF 5-year Project Plan. Set a public hearing for Monday, May 20, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers to receive citizen comment regarding the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Drinking Water State Revolving Fund 5-year Project Plan to replace water mains and lead service lines throughout the City and improvements to the Water Treatment Plant.

First Reading & Set Public Hearing – Ordinance Amendment - Washington Park PILOT.

Conducted first reading and set a public hearing for Monday, May 20, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. to receive citizen comment regarding the proposed addition of Division 3, Washington Park, to Article III, *Service Charge in Lieu of Taxes for Certain Housing Developments*, of Chapter 32, Taxation, establishing a PILOT for the proposed Washington Park project.

Street Closure Request – John Hankerd for Mr. Owosso 2024 5K Run. Waived the insurance requirement, approved the request from John Hankerd for the closure of various streets for the John Hankerd for Mr. Owosso 2024 5K Run on Friday, May 31, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and authorized Traffic Control Order No. 1514 formalizing the action.

Curwood Festival Traffic Control Order. Authorized application from the Curwood Festival for use of various parking lots and streets from June 5, 2024 at 6:00 a.m. through June 10, 2024 at 6:00 a.m. for the annual Curwood Festival and further authorized Traffic Control Order No. 1515 formalizing the action.

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

Name	Board/Commission	Term Expires
Michael Dowler*	City of Owosso Building Authority	06-30-2027
Kevin Maurer*	Building Board of Appeals	06-30-2026
William Gilbert*	Downtown Development Authority	06-30-2028

Allie McGuire*	Downtown Development Authority	06-30-2028
Emily Olson*	Downtown Development Authority	06-30-2028
William J. Byrne*	Downtown Historic District Commission	06-30-2027
Steven Teich*	Downtown Historic District Commission	06-30-2027
Gregory Brodeur*	LDFA/Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	06-30-2028
Janae Fear*	Planning Commission	11-09-2026
Francis Livingston*	Planning Commission	06-30-2027
Dennis Mahoney*	Parks and Recreation Commission	06-30-2026
Carol Smith*	Parks and Recreation Commission	06-30-2026
Thomas Taylor*	Zoning Board of Appeals	06-30-2027

* Indicates reappointment

Emergency Purchase Authorization – Boiler for Curwood Castle. Authorized payment to Williams Heating - Cooling, Inc. for the emergency purchase and installation of a boiler system for Curwood Castle in the amount of \$13,980.00.

Change Order – Tandem Truck Cab. Approved Change Order No. 1 to purchase order #45224 with D. & K. Truck Company for the purchase of one Freightliner 108SD Plus Conventional Chassis, changing the model year requested to 2025 and increasing the contract by \$6,358.00, for a total of \$103,652.00, and further approved payment upon satisfactory delivery of equipment.

Amendment No. 2 – Professional Engineering Services Agreement. Approved Amendment No. 2 to the professional services agreement with Fishbeck for the WWTP Solids Handling Project in the amount of \$10,000.00 and authorized payment up to the revised contract amount of \$114,000.00 upon satisfactory completion of the project or portion thereof.

Check Register – April 2024. Affirmed check disbursements totaling \$3,028,106.73 for April 2024.

Warrant No. 643. Authorized Warrant No. 643 as follows:

Vendor	Description	Fund	Amount
Waste Management	Services rendered April 1, 2024 – April 15, 2024	WWTP	\$11,608.59

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Gould House Purchase Agreement Modification – 21 Day Posting. Approved the revised purchase offer for the Amos Gould House, 515 N. Washington Street, in the amount of \$237,000 from Sean Harrington following a home inspection and authorized 21-day posting period for the proposed sale per the City Charter.

Consumers Energy Electric Facilities Easement. Authorized granting Consumers Energy a 30' permanent easement to construct, operate, maintain, inspect (including aerial patrol), survey, replace, reconstruct, improve, remove, relocate, change the size of, enlarge, and protect a line or lines of electric facilities in, on, over, under, across, and through a portion of 1233 E Oliver Street to service the City's Osburn wellsite.

MDOT Resolution of Support – M-71 (Washington Street) Reconstruction. Approved a resolution of support for the MDOT project to reconstruct M-71 (Washington Street) from Water Street/Jerome Avenue to Corunna Avenue, including conversion of the four-lane section to a three-lane section with bike lanes.

MDOT Consent to Grade – 21-day Posting. Authorize twenty-one (21) day posting period for the sale of Consent to Grade rights for the City-owned property at 310 S. Washington Street in the amount of \$500.00.

Lot Split Authorization – VL on Howard Street. Approved the division of a City lot under the Michigan Subdivision Control Act for platted lot known as Parcel # 00-651-000-004-00, vacant land located on Howard Street.

Marijuana License Transfer Requests. Authorized the transfer in ownership of the Medical Marihuana Provisioning Center License and the Adult Use Recreational Retail License located at 1115 Corunna Avenue from Classic Roots Farm dba DCAD, LLC to Hazed Owosso, LLC.

Brush Burning at Aiken Road Site. After significant discussion, the Council authorized the proposal to conduct controlled burns at the City-owned Aiken Road Brush Site to cost-efficiently reduce the volume of brush at the site.

COMMUNICATIONS

Brad A. Barrett, Finance Director. Revenue & Expenditure Report – March 2024.
Brownfield Authority. Minutes of March 6, 2024.
Planning Commission. Minutes of March 25, 2024.
Owosso Historical Commission. Minutes of April 16, 2024 Special Meeting.
Planning Commission. Minutes of April 22, 2024.
WWTP Review Board. Minutes of April 23, 2024.
Parks & Recreation Commission. Minutes of April 24, 2024.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Tom Manke complained that the City Manager Report is not available on the City website. He wanted to know when the City would step in and demand action.
Don Michaels, E. Wesley Drive, said his property is immediately adjacent to the City limits and changes to nearby properties in the City have caused flooding on his land. He asked when the City would do something about it.
Ross Michaels said he has seen situations like this payout in court to the detriment of the city. He suggested the City get ahead of the problem.
Councilmember Law left the meeting at 8:40 p.m.
Councilmember Pidek noted the City Manager Report can be found at <http://www.ci.owosso.mi.us/Departments-Services/City-Manager>.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, May 20, 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
Zoning Board of Appeals – Alternate – term expires June 30, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Robert J. Teich, Jr., Mayor
Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk

Note: Complete printed copies of the minutes and any ordinances contained therein are available to the public at the Office of the City Clerk and the Shiawassee District Library – Owosso Branch during regular business hours or on the Internet at www.ci.owosso.mi.us.