#### CITY OF OWOSSO SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MARCH 29, 2021 7:30 P.M.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** MAYOR CHRISTOPHER T. EVELETH

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: MAYOR CHRISTOPHER T. EVELETH

PRESENT: Mayor Christopher T. Eveleth, Councilmembers Janae L. Fear,

Jerome C. Haber, Daniel A. Law, and Nicholas L. Pidek.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Susan J. Osika and Councilmember Robert J.

Teich, Jr.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

There were no citizen comments.

There were no Council comments.

#### **PRESENTATION**

#### **ACE Portal Presentation**

Aclara Technologies, LLC representatives Cathy Holloway and Caryn Denny joined the meeting via Zoom to give a presentation on the ACE Portal, a product that provides residents with the opportunity to monitor their water usage throughout the billing cycle as well as view their historical usage. Customers can set notifications to alert them when there is a potential leak or water usage has gone over a certain amount. Water account holders will be able to sign up for the free service after the next water billing, which will contain instructions on how to create an account. City staff will be available to assist customers in setting up their accounts if necessary.

Mayor Eveleth inquired if the City would be changing its payment provider when the portal goes live. City Manager Nathan R. Henne indicated the City did not have plans to change the provider at this time. Mayor Eveleth and Councilmember Law expressed an interest in doing so because they felt the current provider's fees are too high.

Councilmember Pidek had several questions including what cybersecurity measures would be taken to prevent hacking. It was noted the question would have to be passed along to the technical staff that works directly with the water meters, and the Aclara reps agreed to do so.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Monday, April 05, 2021

## **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS**

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – term expires June 30, 2026 Building Board of Appeals – Alternate - term expires June 30, 2022 Building Board of Appeals – Alternate - term expires June 30, 2021 Downtown Development Authority – 2 terms expire June 30, 2021 Owosso Historical Commission – 2 terms expire December 31, 2021 Owosso Historical Commission – term expires December 31, 2022 Owosso Historical Commission – term expires December 31, 2023 Zoning Board of Appeals – Alternate – term expires June 30, 2021 Zoning Board of Appeals – term expires June 30, 2023

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember Fear for adjournment at 8:00 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilmember Law and concurred in by unanimous vote.

Christopher T. Eveleth, Mayor
Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk