Ogden Village Board Regular Session

Ogden Village Hall

February 1, 2024

PRESENT:

Mayor Acklin Clerk Bowman Trustee Esposito Trustee Lewis

Trustee Smith

Absent: Trustee Cooper and Trustee Wright

Also, Present: Cindy Acklin, Sonja Vicker, Jack Knoop, and Ronda Fulkerson

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Acklin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

* + 1. Motion to approve minutes of the January 4, 2024, regular session and December 2023, Onward Ogden committee
    2. Motion to approve February 2024 Treasurer’s Report
    3. Motion to approve January 2024 bank statements
    4. Motion to approve February 2024 bills

Trustee Lewis made a motion to approve the February 1, 2024, consent agenda. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Lewis, “aye” Trustee Esposito, “aye” Trustee Acklin, “aye”

Trustee Smith, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 2023 MFT EXPENDITURE STATEMENT:

Trustee Acklin made a motion to approve the 2023 MFT Expenditure Statement. Trustee

Lewis seconded the motion.

Trustee Esposito, “aye” Trustee Acklin, “aye” Trustee Smith, “aye”

Trustee Lewis, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INITIAL 2024 MFT PROGRAM FOR $18,000.00:

Trustee Smith made a motion to approve the initial 2024 MFT program for $18,000.00. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Esposito, “aye” Trustee Acklin, “aye” Trustee Smith, “aye”

Trustee Lewis, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF ONGOING INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS:

Mayor Acklin reported that he has been in contact with Mr. Wauthier about upcoming projects.

Mayor Acklin reported that the sewer plant project has to be done all at once. It cannot be broken up into sections. He said that a couple small elements could be delayed. The ballpark estimate for this project is $280,000.00. Mr. Wauthier said it needs to be completed this summer because it has been put off for too long. Mr. Wauthier said bids for this project should go out to bid in March.

Mayor Acklin reported that he met with Lorin Kinney at the water plant. He said it is in need of upgrades. Lorin Kinney’s ballpark estimate for the water plant repairs is $40,000.00 to $50,000.00. This would be to replace media filters, pipes, and valves. The Village was presented with a grant to apply for. Mr. Wauthier said the Village will not qualify for this grant. He will look into grants to help cover costs.

Mayor Acklin had a meeting with business owners about drainage on Broadway St. Mayor Clements had spoke with them about a pumping station. Mr. Wauthier said that would cost around $40,000 to $50,000. Mayor Acklin said we will look into this possibly in the summer of 2025.

APPROVE TO HOLD ADULT EASTER EGG HUNT ON FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH AND KIDS EASTER EGG HUNT ON SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH (not to exceed $1,500.00):

Trustee Esposito made a motion to approve to hold the adult Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, March 29th and the kids Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30th not to exceed $1,500.00. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Acklin, “aye” Trustee Smith, “aye” Trustee Lewis, “aye”

Trustee Esposito, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

Trustee Esposito reported that McClain is donating candy again this year. The Village can pick it up on March 1st. Janine Black and Dennis Bott have donated stuffed animals to give away.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE FLOWERS (Not to exceed $500.00):

Trustee Acklin made a motion to approve to purchase flowers not to exceed $500.00. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Smith, “aye” Trustee Lewis, “aye” Trustee Esposito, “aye”

Trustee Acklin, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

These flowers are for the 4 flower beds in town. She usually gets one pack for each flower pole pot person also.

DISCUSSION OF PETS IN VILLAGE HALL:

There have been complaints about pets in the village building. Trustee Acklin said no pets should be allowed unless they are service animals.

Trustee Smith said he doesn’t mind if an animal gets brought into the building as long as good judgement is used and they are supervised at all times. Acklin agreed that people should use common sense.

The board agreed that all animals have to be leashed and should not bark. If they are not leashed or bark excessively, they should be removed from the building.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Water: Clerk Bowman reported that there was a water main break on E. Lincoln. Mr. Thompsen had Dodd Contracting Service repair it.

Sewer: None

Streets/alleys/sidewalks: None

Health & Safety: Trustee Acklin reported that Attorney Miller had no update on the nuisance properties.

Business: Trustee Smith asked if the village knew what was going on with the Pink Pig property. The village has no information at this point.

Building/grounds: None

Drainage: Trustee Acklin reported that he had contacted Trustee Smith about drainage issues late last week. He said that he spoke with Mr. Thompsen, and he said that he hopes it was from the ground being frozen and the amount of rain we got. They will keep an eye on it.

Budget: None

Events: None

Vehicle/Equipment repairs & purchases: Trustee Smith reported that the village needs to start looking for a replacement for the backhoe. He said that it is bigger than what the village needs and is hard to get into places. Trustee Smith reported that it takes six hours to get the broom on the Kubota. He suggests maybe getting a skid steer and excavator instead. Trustee Lewis said he would start getting prices.

MAYOR: Trustee Acklin reported that he has been in contact with Chuck Carl with the Royal American Legion about transferring the Legion Park to the Village.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Trustee Esposito made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion.

All “ayes,” motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Bowman, Clerk

Village of Ogden