**Ogden Village Board Regular Session**

**Ogden Village Hall**

**July 11, 2024**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Acklin Clerk Bowman Trustee Cooper Trustee Esposito

Trustee Lewis

**Arrived Late**: Trustee Smith 7:20pm

**Absent**: Trustee Wright

**Also, Present**: Don Wauthier, Nora Mabry, Jack Knoop, and Lucinda Paquin

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mayor Acklin read a thank you card from Onward Ogden Parks and Rec Committee. They want to thank the village for installing the water spigot at the Interurban Park. Especially Randy and Bob for their work installing it.

Jack Knoop was present to discuss the water on Broadway St. He said they have had more floods this year and this last one is the highest. Mayor Acklin reported that he spoke with Kevin from DCS and as soon as the jet truck is running, they will come jut the tile. They are hoping it will be this Friday. Mayor Acklin said there are three things that are going on. First is that the tile needs to be jetted. Second the Rail Trail is flooding their building and third is we had six inches of rain in a 24-hour period. He will try to get the pump station bumped up.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

* + 1. **Motion to approve minutes of the June 6, 2024, regular session, June 10, 2024, Zoning Board of Appeals, June 2024 Onward Ogden and June 19, 2024, Events Committee Meeting**
    2. **Motion to approve July 2024 Treasurer’s Report**
    3. **Motion to approve June 2024 bank statements**
    4. **Motion to approve July 2024 bills**

Trustee Cooper made a motion to approve the July 10, 2024, consent agenda. Trustee Esposito seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

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

Trustee Cooper, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF 2024 MFT BID FOR $44,269.07:**

Trustee Cooper made a motion to approve the 2024 MFT bid for $44,269.07. Trustee Esposito seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Acklin, “aye” Trustee Lewis, “aye” Trustee Cooper, “aye”

Trustee Esposito, “aye”

All “ayes,” motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF QUOTE FOR SEWER LIFT STATION REPAIRS (Not to exceed $15,000.00) roll call vote**

Trustee Cooper made a motion to approve Venture Mechanical for sewer lift station repairs not to exceed $15,000.00. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Smith, “aye” Trustee Lewis, “aye” Trustee Cooper, “aye”

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

All “ayes,” motion carried.

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO HOST DUMPSTER DAY (Not to exceed $6,000.00):**

Trustee Smith made a motion to approve to host dumpster day using Tyson and not to exceed $3,000.00. Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Smith, “aye” Trustee Lewis, “aye” Trustee Cooper, “aye”

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

All “ayes,” motion carried.

Trustee Lewis called different dumpster companies. He found Tyson who charges $450 per dumpster. They did Tolono’s dumpster day.

The board agreed to hold a dumpster day. Trustee Lewis is going to speak with Mr. Thompsen about dates and figure out the details.

**APPROVE ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL FOR OCTOBER 26, 2024, (Not to exceed $2,000.00):**

Trustee Lewis made a motion to approve the Annual Harvest Festival for October 26, 2024, not to exceed $2,000.00. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. Roll call vote:

Trustee Lewis, “aye” Trustee Cooper, “aye” Trustee Esposito, “aye”

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

All “ayes,” motion carried.

Trustee Esposito has reserved PVO South for the event. She has also reached out to FFA for volunteers.

The Harvest Festival will be from 1pm to 3pm.

Clerk Bowman suggested that we contact McLane to see if they would be willing to donate candy for the event. She will send a letter on Monday.

**MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2023, TO BECOME PUBLIC OR KEEP CLOSED:**

No changes are needed to the minutes, so the board did not go into closed session.

**MOTION TO RE-OPEN INTO REGULAR SESSION:**

**No motion**

**MOTION TO KEEP CLOSED SESSION MINUTES CLOSED:**

Trustee Smith made a motion to keep the closed session minutes closed. Trustee Cooper seconded the motion.

All “ayes,” motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Water:** Trustee Cooper attended a meeting in Fithian about a grant for new water meters. She said the Village is not eligible because we exceed the cap level. She said if they drop the cap then we can apply for it. She said that we need to focus on the water plant for now.

Mayor Acklin reminded the board that they need to work with the engineer to raise the water and sewer rates. Trustee Cooper reported that she has been looking over the ordinances and will contact Mr. Wauthier to set up a meeting.

**Sewer:** Mr. Wauthier reported that there was not much response when he reached out to contractors about the sewer plant project. He said he did receive two quotes. He said they were both way above what it should cost. The first one was for around $444,000. 00 and the second one was for around $660,000.00. He said he is still waiting for two more quotes. If neither come in or are also too high, then we will just do the portions that we have reasonable prices on. He will have something to approve on the August agenda.

**Streets/alleys/sidewalks:** Mayor Acklin reported that he talked with Trustee Esposito and they both agree that the sidewalk on Market St. should be extended to the Dollar General. Trustee Lewis will look into it.

**Health & Safety:** Mayor Acklin reported that he spoke with Mr. Brown and the semi-trailers should be gone by the end of July.

Mayor Acklin reported that there are letters that need to be sent for tall grass. He will get a list together. He also reminded the board to let Clerk Bowman know if additional letters need sent. Trustee Lewis reported that he has been mowing Ms. Joy’s lawn.

**Business: None**

**Budget:** Mayor Acklin reported that RBS is raising their rates from $65 to $75 per hour. They have not had a rate increase since 2022.

**Building/grounds:** Trustee Esposito reported that Onward Ogden would like a sidewalk at the Interurban Park going to the gazebo. They want to make it so there is no corner for Mr. Thompsen to mow around.

**Drainage:** Mr. Wauthier reported that he has received prices from two suppliers for pump stations. The units are less than $20,000 each. The village would have to hire someone to install the pump stations and hook them up. They would connect to the two lines under the rail trail. The village would have to put in storm drain lines and run them to the IDOT storm sewer. Mr. Wauthier thinks this project should be $50,000.00 or less.

**Events:** Trustee Cooper reported that she had a festival meeting on June 19th. She will have another one in August. She has dash plaques and cups being engraved for the car show. FFA is volunteering again this year. The escape room is coming together for Onward Ogden. The Masonic Lodge is hosting a breakfast, and the Methodist Church is hosting lunch.

**Vehicle/Equipment repairs & purchases:** None

**MAYOR:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Mayor Acklin will be out of town for two weeks but will be available by phone.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

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

All “ayes,” motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Bowman, Clerk

Village of Ogden