

Oklahoma Borough Council Meeting
July 10th, 2023 – 7:00 pm
Oklahoma Borough Building

Meeting called to order by President Joe Cali.

Roll call taken: Present were: President Joe Cali, Vice President Ron Norton, Councilwoman Christine Emerick, Councilman Adam Lockhart, Mayor Emerick and Secretary Alecia Sherbondy.

Absent: Councilman Charles Blair and Mr. Bill Braun from Senate Engineering.

VISITORS: Observe: Cedric Stopansky, Lisa Cali, R.J. and Candy Huth, Tim and Karen Jobe, Dave Spillers, Joyce Spillers, Ed Mowers and Joyce Hanz of the Tribune Review.

State Representative, Jill Cooper recognized Joyce Spillers for forty-five years serving as the borough's tax collector. Mrs. Spillers was presented with a citation from the House of Representatives.

MINUTES: Motion made by Mr. Lockhart to adopt the minutes from the June Council Meeting correcting the motion regarding dye testing South Pine Street to read Chambers Street. Second by Mrs. Emerick. Motion carried.

SOLICITORS REPORT: None.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

ZONING/ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Copies of the report were provided to Council.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Council was asked to choose a day for fall clean up as well as trick or treat.

A request was made to add an additional check signer to the borough's accounts.

The second quarter employee taxes have been filed and paid.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The bank reconciliation for the period ending 6/30/2023 is as follows:

General Fund - \$430,182.22

Sewer Fund - \$439,542.47

Liquid Fuels - \$40,761.21

Special Road Fund - \$183,098.85

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The amount of taxes deposited in the month of June:

Wage – \$9,804.42

Real Estate - \$790.63

READING OF THE BILLS: The general and monthly utility bills for Oklahoma Borough have been paid for the month of June.

The following invoices were received:

1. Gary Falatovich in the amount of \$156.00 for legal expenses in the month of June.
2. Senate Engineering in the amount of \$194.00 for the I/I Study to be paid from the Sewer Fund.
3. Swank Motion Pictures, Inc. in the amount of \$285.00 for the movie rights for Movies in the Park.
4. Senate Engineering in the amount of \$1,473.00 for the design and bidding of the new salt shed.
5. Senate Engineering in the amount of \$2,877.25 for the 2023 Paving Project.
6. Allegheny Township in the amount of \$1,593.68 for the double seal coat tar and chip on Community Park Road.
7. Allegheny Township in the amount of \$361.50 for zoning and code enforcement services in the month of May.
8. Senate Engineering in the amount of \$244.00 for the review of Beverly Court trees.
9. S.W.I.F. in the amount of \$4,561.00 for a workers compensation insurance premium renewal.

COMMUNICATIONS: A letter was received from Energy Transfer Marketing & Terminal LP to notify the borough of their inventory.

A letter was received from CNX to notify the borough that CNX Gas Company LLC is applying to modify a Permit to Drill and Operate Gas Wells located inside, adjacent or within 3000 feet of Oklahoma Borough.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

STREETS/SEWERS/SOLID WASTE: None.

FINANCE: Three quotes to replace the municipal building roof were received.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Mr. Cali made a suggestion to install a faucet on the outside of the pavilion for the ball team to wet down the field prior to dragging. This will help to eliminate the dust that is disturbing homes near the park. The faucet installation is projected to cost between \$250.00 and \$300.00.

The Secretary is working with Google to correct the issue with using Chambers Street to access the park. In addition, the committee would like to purchase signs to reduce traffic on a dead-end street.

Gravel is also needed for the parking area at the park.

Mr. Norton plans to continue to research a sign for the park.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS AND ORDINANCES: None.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR REPORT: None.

HUMAN RESOURCES: None.

PRESIDENTS REPORT: President Cali made a suggestion to have the Finance Chair be listed as a check signer for the borough bank accounts.

President Cali would like to purchase three new signs including signs to post the dead-end on Chambers Street as well as the dumpster at the park is not for public use.

Quotes for recoding the ordinance book have been requested.

On the 4th of July someone was putting off fireworks at the park. This is a concern that may need to be investigated in the future.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Motion made by Mr. Lockhart to have fall clean-up day on October 14th. Second by Mr. Norton. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Norton to have Oklahoma Borough trick or treat on October 31st. Second by Mr. Lockhart. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Norton to add the Finance Committee Chairperson as an additional signer on the borough's bank accounts. Second by Mrs. Emerick. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Norton to have a plumber install a faucet on the outside of the park pavilion. Second by Mrs. Emerick. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Emerick to purchase three signs for the dumpster and Chambers Street. One in the amount of \$75.00 each and the second costing \$72.00. Second by Mr. Lockhart. Motion carried.

Members of Council would like to review the quotes for the roof replacement and make a decision at the August Council meeting.

Motion made to adjourn by Mr. Lockhart. Second by Mr. Norton. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Joseph Cali, President

Alecia Sherbondy, Secretary