

MINUTES
OAKLAND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2024

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Steuby at 7:00pm

ROLL CALL showed all elected officials present. Lueker, Heaton, Daake, and Schwegmann. Also in attendance were City Engineer Wind, City Attorney Bramman, and City Administrator/Clerk Stewart.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the October 16, 2024, regular meeting minutes: Motioned by Schwegmann and seconded by Daake and approved 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the September 18, 2024, closed meeting minutes: Motioned by Lueker seconded by Heaton and approved 4-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the October 16, 2024, closed meeting minutes: Motioned by Lueker seconded by Heaton and approved 4-0

CITIZEN COMMENTS: there were no citizen comments although one citizen was present.

VOUCHERS: The November voucher was reviewed and subsequently approved. Motion by Schwegmann seconded by Daake approved 4-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Funk questioned the high budgeted amount of engineering. Mayor Steuby and Engineer Dan Wind said the figure seemed very high and perhaps was carried over from the prior year. It was decided that the budget, including this line item, be amended near the end of the fiscal year by ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion of possible Escrow for construction of new homes and additions. Stewart explained that the Mayor was interested in holding contractors accountable for damaging areas in the right of way such as curbs, streets and sidewalks. Bramman suggested amending the code to make it similar to Glendale's that would require an escrow. Stewart indicated that in Glendale staff takes a photo of the area before construction and then ensures at the back end of construction that all damaged areas are repaired. There was consensus to move forward putting this in place for new homes and additions. Bramman would bring two ordinances to update our code to the January meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to discuss.

REPORT OF CITY ENGINEER: Wind updated Board on E. Madison. After huge rain only one complaint about a pop-up drain top floating some yards away. Water seemed to remain on the street and go to storm sewers as planned. Still waiting on some work on a subcontractor so that Spencer can finish what they need to do.

REPORT OF CITY ADMINISTRATOR: Stewart asked if there were any questions regarding written report. There were none. The board is in favor of city-wide garage sale in the spring as well as doing a citywide street sweep in December. Perennial on the Trail is working on getting all their permits in line including a brewing license. Newsletter ideas: Board suggested mentioning the pool situation, street sweep, Perennial news, HPC award

REPORTS OF MAYOR AND ALDERPERSONS:

Lueker asked that the trash people be asked to not put the cans back on the driveway after dumping the trash as then it blocks cars from pulling in creating a safety hazard on Sappington. She also asked that the police monitor traffic pickup at Ursuline as recently they were blocking Sappington Road.

Heaton shared a comment from a neighbor who requested a crosswalk be painted between Oakland and Sappington. She also said one of the frequently ignored stop signs at Pelican was unreadable.

Daake asked that Brandon replace the stop sign at Monroe and Sappington where he painted the stopbar.

Schwegmann asked if the city had heard anything from the developer at the corner of Sappington and Big Bend. He said he noticed a lot of rain collecting a couple of weeks ago in the back of the lot. Wind mentioned that he noted the residents concern to MSD and the contractor is waiting on MSD to approve his subdivision plat that will be coming to the Board at a future meeting.

Mayor Steuby discussed his concern with the homeless man living at Backstoppers Park and hanging out all day smoking and drinking as well as occasions where other men were hanging out with him at the pavilion.

ADJOURNMENT: motioned by Daake seconded by Lueker; motion passed 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew M. Stewart
City Clerk/Administrator