

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
M I N U T E S
August 11th, 2009**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS]
THE COUNTY OF POLK]
THE CITY OF ONALASKA]**

The City Council of the City of Onalaska, Texas, met in the chamber room of City Hall for the regular monthly meeting on August 11th, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Roll was called and the following were present:

Lew Vail	]	Mayor
Carl Cruse]	
Patsy Goins	]	Council members
Brandon Smith]	
Angela Stutts	]	City Secretary
Ron Gilbert	]	Chief of Police
Roy Newport	]	Fire Chief/Bldg. Insp.
Barbara Hupp	]	Court Clerk

And the following visitors:

Sgt. Lee Parrish	]	Lynn Brown
Howard Anderson	]	Thomas C. Lilley
Tom Lilley	]	Lona K. Lilley
Hazel Lilley	]	Roz Caldwell

Quorum being present, Tom Edwards and Shirley Gilmore excused, the Mayor continued with the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to hear from the public, approve the consent agenda (minutes, voucher list and accept the financial report), hear reports from the departments, review and approve Mayor to sign inter-local agreement with TML Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool and announce any upcoming events.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Patsy Goins opened the meeting with the prayer; Lew Vail led the pledge to the American and Texas Flags.

PUBLIC FORUM

Tom Lilley expressed concerns regarding Oak Street.

Roz Caldwell provided information regarding the Point Evergreen Equine Rescue Sanctuary.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Patsy Goins and a second was made by Brandon Smith to accept and approve items listed on the consent agenda as presented.

VOTE: For – All; Against – None. Motion carried.

REPORTS – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Ron Gilbert reported that the department traveled 7444.4 miles during July; responded to 744 non-dispatched calls; 142 dispatched calls; 29 officers assists, and assisted the fire department 9 times. Besides all of this, 213 citations, 56 warnings and 101 warrants were issued (cleared 87 warrants), 32 misdemeanor arrests and 2 felony arrest was made.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Roy Newport reported that the Fire Department responded to 57 calls for assistance during July 2009. 23 medical calls, 0 structure fires, 14 grass fires, 0 vehicle fires, 4 motor vehicle accidents, 4 lake rescues, 3 landing zones, 6 assists and 3 mutual aides, totaling 109 volunteer man hours.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Roy Newport reported that during July 2009, 4 permits were issued which increased the Value by \$15,300.00 for a YTD total of \$1,594,010.00.

LIBRARY

Patsy Goins reported that during July there are 1741 current borrowers, added 100 books, discarded 174. Library was open 20 days, book circulation 520, patrons 859 and computer usage 325. Monetary collections totaled \$161.40. Donations \$3.36.

July 2009 narrative:

Two events were held that were sponsored by the library. One was a mystery solving event held at a Young Women/Young Men function at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints called "My Grandma's Gonna Kill Me". 18 people participated between the ages of 10-14. The second event was the "Ultimate Expedition". 25 people participated and it was planned to hold it a second time later in the year. 5 teams of 4 people each participated with 5 adults assisting. Ages of the teams players were between 13 and 18 years of age. Good response from all participants. The library has started holding Story Time on Thursday afternoons and it has been announced in the Polk County Enterprise by the Onalaska Orator. We now have a reader for Monday Afternoons who will start in two weeks. We will be setting up an area in the front of the Library for a reading area. The room across from the office in the library will be turned into a book sale room. This will allow us to collect money for the library in behalf of the Friends org. We will be placing all discarded books from our collection there to be sold to whomever wants them.

Friends of the Library volunteered 16 hours for the month of July.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MAYOR TO SIGN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH TML INTERGOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL

It was moved by Carl Cruse and a second was made by Patsy Goins to approve the Mayor to sign inter-local agreement with TML Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool

VOTE: For – All; Against – None. Motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patsy Goins advised Friends of the Library will be having their annual fundraiser "Give A Buck" on September 5th starting at 9:00 a.m.

Patsy Goins advised she is currently working with Commissioner Ronnie Vincent on the City's three year plan.

Lew Vail advised that we will have a heavy clean up day on October 17th, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 7:25 p.m., it was moved by Carl Cruse and a second was made by Patsy Goins to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: For – All; Against – None. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

LEW VAIL, Mayor

ANGELA STUTTS, City Secretary

DATE: September 8th, 2009