



City of Onalaska

P.O. Box 880 • Onalaska, Texas 77360

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

MINUTES

September 12, 2023

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 a Regular meeting on September 12th, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Roll was called and the following were present:

James W. Arnett]	Mayor
Shirley Gilmore]	Mayor ProTem
Kevin Arnett]	Councilmembers
Ronald Gilbert]	
Angela Stutts]	City Administrator
Jessica Stanton]	Police Chief
Jay Stutts]	Fire Chief
Sherry Brecheen]	Library Director

And the following visitors:

Sign in sheet attached.

Quorum being present, T. D. Jennings and Zachary Davies absence 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 Resolution 2023-019 Public Funds Investment Policy, review and approve Resolution 2023-020 authorizing the purchase/financing of 2025 Freightliner Tanker/Pumper for Onalaska Volunteer Fire Department and designate signatories for contract, review and approve Resolution 2023-021 authorizing the Mayor to sign First National Bank Night Depository Agreement, review and approve Resolution 2023-022 nominating James W. Arnett to serve on the Polk County Appraisal District Board of Directors, review and approve Ordinance 446 Abatement Ordinance, review and approve Ordinance 447 Texas Municipal Retirement System benefits authorizing an increase to the employee contribution rate; and annually accruing updated service credits and transfer updated service credits and announce any other upcoming events.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Dennis Hodge, opened the meeting with a prayer and Mayor James W. Arnett led the pledge to the American and Texas Flags.

PUBLIC FORUM

None

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Ronald Gilbert to accept and approve items listed on the consent agenda as presented.

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

REPORTS – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department reported that the department traveled 4111.1 miles during August 2023; 657 Subdivision Patrols, 94 Business Checks, 366 Calls for Service, 35 Arrests, 20 Citations, 64 Warnings, Other Agency Assist 10 times and Assisted OVFD/EMS 15 times, 38 Cases and 26 Warrants served.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Department reported that the Fire Department responded to 67 calls for assistance during August 2023. 29 medical calls, 2 structure fires, 13 grass fires, 0 vehicle fires, 7 motor vehicle accidents, 1 lake rescue, 3 landing zone calls, 0 hazmat calls, 5 assist calls and 7 mutual-aide calls, totaling 308 volunteer man hours.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/PERMITTING

There were 20 permits issued in the month of August. Total collected was \$10,619.70.

FIRE INVESTIGATIONS

There were 7 Burn Ban Violations responded to. One of which was in Impala Woods at the community burn site where a large brush pile was set on fire. The Impala Woods Maintenance worker had trail cams in trees overlooking the area. There was no one picked up on camera lighting the fire. Photos showed the brush pile with no fire or smoke, then it showed a small amount of smoke in the center of the pile and then a short time later it was a raging fire. The fire Department put the fire out while the maintenance worker used a tractor to roll the debris. It was determined to been started by grass that was dumped while green and a situation much like hay being baled too green occurred thus causing the fire.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Librarian reported for the month of August 2023: Current borrowers 1816. Books checked out: 798; Patrons: 1057; Computer Usage: 130; Copies/Faxes \$248.50; Fines: \$2.40; Membership Fee: \$9.00; Postage: \$3.00; Book Replacement: \$0.00; Restricted Donations: \$10.00; Auxiliary Donations \$250.00 and Regular Donations: \$72.50 and 89.75 Volunteer Hours were documented.

REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-019 PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT POLICY

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Ronald Gilbert to approve Resolution 2023-019 Public Funds Investment Policy.

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

REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-020 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE/FINANCING OF 2025 FREIGHTLINER TANKER/PUMPER FOR ONALASKA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DESIGNATE SIGNATORIES FOR CONTRACT

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Kevin Arnett to approve Resolution 2023-020 authorizing the purchase/financing of 2025 Freightliner Tanker/Pumper for Onalaska Volunteer Fire Department and designate signatories for contract.

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

REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-021 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN FIRST NATIONAL BANK NIGHT DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Ronald Gilbert to approve Resolution 2023-021 authorizing the Mayor to sign First National Bank Night Depository Agreement

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

REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-022 NOMINATING JAMES W. ARNETT TO SERVE ON THE POLK COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Kevin Arnett to approve Resolution 2023-022 nominating James W. Arnett to serve on the Polk County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

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

REVIEW AND APPROVE ORDINANCE 446 ABATEMENT ORDINANCE

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Ronald Gilbert to approve Ordinance 446 Abatement Ordinance.

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

REVIEW AND APPROVE ORDINANCE 447 TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BENEFITS AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO THE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION RATE; AND ANNUALLY ACCRUING UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS AND TRANSFER UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS

It was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Ronald Gilbert to approve Ordinance 447 Texas Municipal Retirement System benefits authorizing an increase to the employee contribution rate; and annually accruing updated service credits and transfer updated service credits.

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

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

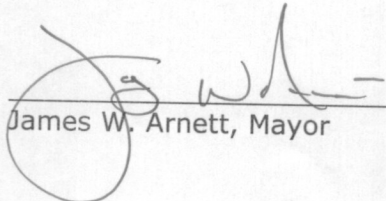
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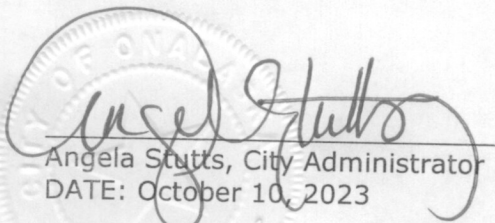
At approximately 5:12 p.m., it was moved by Shirley Gilmore and a second was made by Ronald Gilbert to adjourn the meeting.

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

APPROVED:

ATTEST:


James W. Arnett, Mayor


Angela Stutts, City Administrator
DATE: October 10, 2023



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**PUBLIC COMMENTS
SIGN-IN
LIMIT 3 MINUTES**

DATE: 09/12/2023

This item is included to allow public comments on topics relating to the business of the city. In accordance with law, City Council can not discuss, deliberate or take action on any item or topic not listed on the agenda. Public comments requesting or requiring action or deliberation may be scheduled on a future agenda. Each public comment will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes, unless a member of the council requests additional time for the presenter. Any handout materials must be reproduced prior to the meeting and furnished by the presenter. **After the close of this portion of the agenda, public comment for the remainder of the council meeting is no longer appropriate or accepted unless specifically requested by a member of council.**

	NAME	SUBJECT
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Tuesday, September 12, 2023
REGULAR MEETING
SIGN-IN SHEET

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