

City of Oak Ridge
Kaufman County, Texas

City Council Workshop Minutes
March 16, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Item 1**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Al Rudin at 6:00 PM. Present were Jimmy Quick, Scherri Holmes, Rolando Guzman, and Janelle Davis. City Secretary Donna Sprague, and Code Enforcement Officer Jesse Wood were present. Nena Langford was unable to attend.

Item 2**Discussion on Truck Problem on Abner Road**

Both speed limit signs, and no truck signs are going to be placed in the next few days. The signs have to be posted 30 days before the Police Department can start writing tickets. That seems to be the only way to stop abuse on this roadway.

Item 3**Discussion on Purchasing a New Web-Page**

Kerry Guzman has worked diligently on researching the best and cost effect product for our size city, and needs. She has recommended that we purchase EZTASK at the cost of \$3,425.00 per year for 5 years. The City of Talty is using this product, and they are well pleased. This has been discussed in previous workshops, and will be on the next agenda.

Item 4**Discussion on Amendment on Fences**

The council decided that they would take on action on this item. The cost of changing an ordinance cost too much money for it to be changed.

Item 5**Discussion on Purchasing New Software and Computer for Court**

Justice of the Peace, Mary Bardin, had suggested that we check with the City of Edgewood to review their system. The programmer lives in Wills Point, Texas so he would have easy access to us, and our needs. The Mayor looked into this and liked the system. It is LTsystems. The training will be in The Woodlands later this year, and the cost is \$3,582.50 per year to maintain. The council asked several questions, but agreed that this was a good fit for our needs. Rolando Guzman is going to buy the computer at a reduced rate through a resource he has. Being a computer programmer he will be in charge of the purchase and the setting up for the city.

Item 6**Discussion on Roads**

A phone call from a resident on Abner Road caused the Mayor to check out the condition of parts of the road. He is going to take his tractor this weekend and go repair the pothole on Live Oak with the material that was left from the major repairs made to the other roads a few weeks ago. He will go then to Abner Road and place crushed concrete in the deeper holes, and once it sets up he will go back and place the asphalt in the pothole for a lasting repair. He discussed a discovery on CR 140, and CR 142. It seems that the county had approved both of these roads as county roads in 2007, and provided him with a map proving this claim. This issue has been placed in the hands of the County Attorney, and it may be that the city is entitled a refund on the material they purchased earlier.

Item 7

Discussion on Budget

The budget will be reviewed at each workshop. There will be a need for a few line item transfers. The TML insurance came up short in what was budgeted. The 6 months cost on Auto Liability, Auto Medical Payments, and Auto Physical Damage will be \$579.18, and the insurance on the building was short \$4.82. It was suggested that \$584.00 be moved from Advertising Ordinances to make the adjustment needed. The election cost for the November election on the proposition was short by \$221.26, it was suggested that cost be taken for Inspections. This will be approved at the next council meeting.

Item 8

Discussion on Police Department

The MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) has been issued by the Sheriff to the city. This was the last item that had to be approved. Jimmy Quick said that the assistant chief Peoples told him that the storage of large items needed to be addressed. Councilman Quick said that he would ask his company J-N Fence Company if they would donate the material to section off the shed. He will do the work on a rod iron gate and the extension.

Item 9

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:23 PM by Jimmy Quick, and seconded by Scherri Holmes. All being in favor meeting was adjourned.

Al Rudin, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Donna Sprague, City Secretary