

City of Oak Ridge
Kaufman County, Texas

City Council Workshop Minutes
September 11, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Item 1

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Al Rudin at 6:05 PM. Present were Scherri Holmes, Jimmy Quick, and Rolando Guzman. Janelle Davis came in at 6:08. City Secretary Donna Sprague, and Code Enforcement Officer Jesse Wood were present.

Item 2

Review of Ordinance 40-16A Fencing

This was for clarification purposes. Ordinance and handout were not clear on meaning. This is an amendment to the original Ordinance 40-16. All agreed that this was the language they needed.

Item 3

Discussion on the House to Receive Yard of Month Award

The yard of the month recipient was chosen for September, but council was unclear how to proceed. Scherri Holmes said that once the yard is chosen at workshop. The next agenda will have to vote on the one chosen. Then the City Secretary will call on the following Wednesday to let the person know of the council decision. An appointment to deliver sign, and certificate to the owner will need to be made. As many council members as possible should go. Pictures should be made and put on webpage. The one chosen for September will be our first and will be acknowledged for October.

Item 4

Discussion on Roads

Now that the cold mix has been delivered. The councilmen and mayor will start repairing Oak Ridge roads again. The work Saturday will be Oak Ridge, Oak Lane, and Robin Rd. The Mayor is still exploring solutions on Abner Road. He wanted to know of any responses to letter sent out to residents. Only one person living in Oak Ridge responded to Mayor. The other two on Next Door did not live in city just used the road daily. The need to post speed signs that were approved earlier was discussed. Jesse Wood was directed to order the signs soon in order for them to be posted where needed.

Item 5

Discussion on Police Department

It appears the last thing is being done to be in operation. That is to program the radios for police vehicles. That is being done now. Ticket books have been delayed for Councilman Guzman to provide an email address to print on them.

Item 6

Discussion on Oklahoma Lane Closure and Ordinance 48-17

The Mayor explained that in order to eventually give the property to the adjacent owners. The city and county would have to get petitions signed by every person whose property bordered the road. Then we will issue the Ordinance to close our part. The county will then take the necessary steps to finalize the action. The city will approve the ordinance in the next meeting.

Item 7

Discussion on November Election on Proposition A

The form to order the election was signed by all present, and delivered to County. All is on schedule. The city will have voter registration applications available at city hall for any resident not currently registered with Kaufman County.

Item 8

Discussion on Posting Board on Building

The Mayor found one that is within the approved amount to spend. He is ordering it so it will come out of this year's budget. Once installed council members will no longer have to climb ladders to change the message. The existing board will be put on the base, and be used for any additional information.

Item 9

Discussion on Lawn Service

Advertisement has been placed in both the papers that serve Oak Ridge. If bids are received they will be opened at the council meeting on September 25, 2017.

Item 10

Review of Finances

Council was presented with a printout showing revenue and expenses for this budget year. It shows that even though the city has made major purchases we are in line with both. The report was through the 6th of September. Our fiscal year end on September 30th, 2017.

Item 11

Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Jimmy Quick and seconded by Scherri Holmes. All being in favor, motion carried. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:08 PM.

Al Rudin, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Donna Sprague, City Secretary