City of Oak Ridge Kaufman County, Texas City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes May 8, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Item 1

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Al Rudin at 6:01 PM. Present were Council Members Janelle Davis, Jimmy Quick, Nena Langford, Scherri Holmes, and Rolando Guzman. City Secretary Donna Sprague was present.

Item 2 Update on Court Activity/City Fees for April 2023

The Court Clerk submitted written document that 35 citations were issued in April. Court is set for May 17, 2023. Mailed 22 Pre-Warrant letters out.

Item 3 Report on Income and Expense for April 2023

The report shows that we have collected \$264,512.29 of the budgeted amount of \$315,000.00. The finances shows that we are in good shape for the first 7 months of collections.

Item 4 Discussion on Police Department

Chief Bill Weatherly stated speeding on Abner Rd. and Highway 34 seem to be slowing some. Working on moving the flashing speed limit sign to Hwy. 34. Working on adding additional police officers by June or July. Researching on obtaining additional and clearer cameras for police cars.

Item 5 Update on Roads

We need more rock hauled to CR139 and CR279. Will continue to work on issues.

Item 6 Discuss Progress on Oak Lane

Still working through issues on Oak Lane. Per Mayor Al Rudin, waiting on report to see progress and details on Oak Lane. He said Oak Ridge & Oak Lane Dr are both off on streets. Will leave Oak Lane as is for now, still dealing with issues.

Item 7 Discuss, Consider, Approve bid for cleaning brush along fence row and around AT&T switchbox.

Mayor Al Rudin suggested moving and taking down all brush, trees, etc. on the fence line and around switchbox. Motion to accept bid from Arete Property Improvement for this work was made by Jimmy Quick and seconded by Nena Langford. All in favor, motion carried to accept bid.

Item 8 Discuss, Consider, Approve Phase III Platting for Riverside Development

Motion was made by Jimmy Quick and seconded by Janelle Davis to accept Phase III Plating for Riverside Development. All in favor, motion carried.

Item 9
Set date for May 22, 2023 Council Meeting at 7:00PM

Council Meeting date and time was noted by all.

Item 10 Discussion on Budget for 2023-2024

Extensive discussion for each budgeted item was discussed by mayor, council, and city secretary. City of Oak Ridge budgeted income amount could be less on property taxes after resident value protests are reviewed with Kaufman County Appraisal District. Should have a clearer value in July. Our Permits are lowered, not building as much. Fines should increase and sales tax did increase. Nearly all budgeted amounts were accepted as submitted for 2023-2024 year and a couple of additional budgeted items were added. Will have additional review at May 22 City Council Meeting.

<u>Item 11 Mayor/Council Items of Community Interest and/or Items for Future Council Considerations (No Action to be Taken)</u>

Discussion only - Jimmy Quick noted pending State Legislation, if passed, might have an impact on our restrictions in areas of the City of Oak Ridge. Will consider impact at a later date, if passed.

Item 14 Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Nena Langford and seconded by Jimmy Quick to adjourn. All being in favor, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:26PM.

Al Rudin, Mayor

ATTESTED

Donna Sprague.