

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

October 2, 2006 - CITY HALL, 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Flink, Hoefling, Scott and Hemphill. (Absent: Bengford) Also in attendance were: Donarae Cleveland (free-lance writer for the Chronicle), City Attorney Joe Heidenreich, Supt. Bill Tysor and Chief Bruce Henderson.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hoefling to approve the agenda. Four ayes. Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to approve the minutes of the two September meetings. Four ayes. Moved by Flink and seconded by Hoefling to approve the bills as presented. Four ayes.

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Public Safety	6,490.72
Public Works	5,858.81
Culture/Rec.	1,145.36
Ec. Dev.	50.00
General Gov.	4,097.48
Garbage	2,436.81
Recycling	1,231.70
Sewer	4,429.50
Water	6,774.32
Drainage	376.12
Sales Tax	833.00
Health & Social	<u>200.00</u>
Total	\$33,923.82

SEPTEMBER RECEIPTS

Utilities	\$22,639.48
Taxes	20,193.54
Road Fund	8,396.12
Interest	382.60
Pool income: MetaBank	100.00
Misc.	<u>266.20</u>
	\$ 51,977.94

LIBRARY RECEIPTS (July)

Misc.	18.63
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LIBRARY DISBURSEMENTS (July)

Salaries	\$1,993.70
Utilities	288.82
Operating Exp.	<u>626.12</u>
	\$2,908.64

LIBRARY RECEIPTS (August)

Misc.	\$410.05
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LIBRARY DISBURSEMENTS (August)

Salaries	\$1,986.79
Utilities	303.22
Operating Exp.	<u>1,016.14</u>
	\$3,306.15

City Attorney Joe Heidenreich presented papers for the vacation/selling of a portion of Richland Ave. and the bridge that sits thereon. A Hearing on the matter will be held at the regular Council meeting on November 6, 2006.

On another matter, Mr. Heidenreich explained to the Council that a certain property owner who is in violation of nuisance abatement would not return his calls. Following discussion it was moved by Flink and seconded by Hemphill to have the City Attorney petition the Court for an Order to Abate Nuisance.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to approve the following permits: (Four ayes.) Ed Durbin-sidewalk, trees and flower garden; Robert Voelschow-deck; Jerry Gronau-addition to shed.

Nuisances were discussed and letters will be sent. One nuisance abatement was given an extension of time.

Moved by Scott and seconded by Hoefling to accept the Library report. Four ayes.

The Police report was reviewed.

The Council has set Tuesday, October 31st as Trick-or-Treat night. The hours will be from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Delinquent water bills were discussed. If payment or an agreement is not received, water service will be disconnected. Others will be filed in Small Claims Court.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hoefling to adopt Resolution #06.18-accepting the current Investment Policy with no change. Four Ayes.

Supt. Tysor reported that the City of Odebolt will be implementing a new garbage bagging system in the next three to four months. One suggestion was the use of clear bags that are purchased from the City. The cost of the bags will be in addition to the minimum fee that is currently charged. The reason for the new method is because over-all the County has not met the 25% reduction mandated by the DNR.

As complaints are received about low-hanging limbs – a letter to trim will be sent to the property owner.

The empty lot where the dilapidated buildings once stood was discussed. The Council was in agreement that the dirt needs more time to settle. It can be used for snow piles this winter. Maybe next year it could be seeded with grass.

Changes in citywide clean-up day were discussed. There is now a fee for computer monitors and TV's. There is a possibility that the City will go to 2 clean-up days in the future (one in spring and one in the fall). Residents will bring their items to the dump on **the designated days only**. Final decisions will be made at a later date. The new packer is scheduled to arrive on Tues. or Wed.

The City will be flushing water hydrants on October 23rd - 25th.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to renew the contract of Jace Horsley for snow removal on City sidewalks. Four ayes.

Scott reported that torn flags can be turned in to him as the Legion will soon be having a flag burning ceremony.

The City appreciates the gift of \$100.00 for the pool from MetaBank.

A thank you was read from Jeanette Fertig.

Two letters will be sent for sidewalk replacement.

At 8:08 p.m. it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Flink to adjourn. All ayes.

R. J. Rex, Mayor

Joan Godbersen, City Clerk