

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, September 6, 2005 - CITY HALL, 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Bengford, Scott and Hemphill. Absent: Thompson and Hansen. Also in attendance were: Melissa Pierce, Eric Miller, Jim Henkelman, Helen Henkelman, William G. Wallace, Supt. Bill Tysor and Chief Bruce Henderson.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to approve the agenda. Three ayes.  
Moved by Scott and seconded by Bengford to approve the minutes of the August meeting. Three ayes.

Moved by Bengford and seconded by Scott to approve the bills as presented:  
(Three ayes.)

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Public Safety	\$ 8,505.95
Public Works	5,733.64
Health & Social	400.00
Culture/Rec.	6,498.38
General Gov.	6,361.38
Garbage	3,384.67
Recycling	1,231.06
Sewer	5,849.04
Water	4,813.89
Sales Tax	<u>732.00</u>
Total	\$43,510.01

AUGUST RECEIPTS

Utilities	\$20,706.88
Taxes	14.93
Road Fund	8,399.65
Interest	31.54
Pool	839.10
Pool Lift Grant	3,000.00
Misc.	<u>940.19</u>
	\$33,932.29

Jim Henkelman was present to express his concerns about the recent infestation of mice in his house on Walnut Street. As this is a new problem, he feels it began with the preparations for the new grain bin. Butch Hemphill presented the EcoPro records for pest control for the elevator. The report, starting in January, shows no increase in activity at the elevator. Of the 9 points given -7 were Ideal and 2 Exemplary. Bill Wallace, Jr. and Eric Miller stated that there has been no increase in rodent activity in their homes. A possible source is a vacant house in the area.

Melissa Pierce was present to express her concerns about the recent break-ins of the school and local businesses. Much discussion followed.

Bill Wallace was present to question the positioning of the fans for the new grain bin. He said that it was stated earlier that the fans would definitely be facing north. Hemphill commented that the engineer changed the design. He also commented that they are centrifugal fans and should not be a problem. He further stated that the elevator

would be moving the unused concrete walls onto the area adjacent to Walnut Street to block the noise.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to approve the following building permits: Dan Thayer-tree; William Dreessen, Brian Hanson and Steve Bengford-demolish house and garage; Alice Pudenz-deck and tree. Three ayes.

Moved by Bengford and seconded by Scott to approve the application of Sparky's One Stop for a Class C Beer Permit and Sunday Sales. Three ayes. Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Bengford to renew the Certificate of Occupancy Permits for Upper Cut and for Hattie Grace to "Life of Business". Three ayes. Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to allow a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy to Jackie Hough for a business to operate as a translator for Hispanics. Three ayes.

Moved by Scott and seconded by Bengford to approve the Tax Abatement Application submitted by Robert Mollhoff. Three ayes.

Sac County is not currently meeting its 25% reduction rate at the landfill. The need to recycle is very urgent.

Complaints were addressed. Three Notices to Abate Nuisance will be sent.

The Mayor met with the new Postmaster to explore avenues of home mail delivery. A survey will be sent to residents next month.

September 27<sup>th</sup> is the voting date for the Local Option Sales Tax. This is a tax that citizens pay most anywhere they shop outside of Sac County. To have this tax in Odebolt would be a financial boost to the City.

Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Scott to adopt Resolution #05.18-accepting the annual Street Finance Report. Three ayes. Absent: Thompson and Hansen.

Moved by Scott and seconded by Bengford to renew the Investment Policy. The only change was to change First Federal to MetaBank. Three ayes. Absent: Thompson and Hansen.

The Police report was reviewed with much discussion. Chief Henderson reported that the 5 arsonists had been charged and convicted.

Delinquent water bills were discussed and the necessary steps will be taken.

Supt. Tysor is getting bids for valve work at the pool. The City Hall water shut-off needs to be fixed, galvanized pipe needs to be replaced and the street in front of City Hall will be addressed at the same time. The City sewer line that was checked by Rehab Systems was found to be clear. The water tower is slated for inspection within the next few weeks.

The City gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a memorial to the pool for Bob Thayer from Joan Hoaglund.

At 9:10 p.m. it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Bengford to adjourn. All ayes.

R.J. Rex, Mayor

Joan Godbersen, City Clerk