

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OAKDALE CITY COUNCIL
April 11, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oakdale was held on April 11, 2023, at Oakdale City Hall, 1584 Hadley Avenue, Oakdale, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Zabel at 7:01 PM.

CALL OF ROLL

On a call of roll, the following were present:

Mayor Kevin Zabel

Council Members: Noah Her
Jake Ingebrigtsen
Andy Morcomb
Susan Olson

Staff Present: Christina Volkers, City Administrator
Sara Ludwig, City Clerk
Jim Thomson, City Attorney (via Zoom)
Andrew Gitzlaff, Community Development Director
Nick Newton, Police Chief
Lori Pulkrabek, Communications Manager
Jim Romanik, Public Works Manager
Kevin Wold, Fire Chief
Jason Zimmerman, Finance Director

Others Present: Monica Stiglich, Oakdale Work Group Citizen Representative for the 3M Settlement
Deanna Wiener, Representative of St. Paul Area Association of Realtors (SPAAR) and Realtor with Cardinal Realty

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Zabel noted the agenda had been amended.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MORCOMB, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 11, 2023.

5 AYES

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Workshop, March 28, 2023
Regular Meeting, March 28, 2023**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER HER, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON TO APPROVE THE WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2023.

5 AYES

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HER TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2023.

5 AYES

OPEN FORUM

a) Proclamation: Fair Housing Month

Mayor Zabel proclaimed the month of April as “Fair Housing Month”. He read the proclamation and presented it to Deanna Wiener, Representative of St. Paul Area Association of Realtors (SPAAR) and Realtor with Cardinal Realty. Ms. Wiener shared a brief history of the Fair Housing Act and thanked Council for adopting this proclamation.

b) Presentation from Monica Stiglich re: Plan for Priority 2, 3M Settlement

Monica Stiglich, Oakdale Work Group Citizen Representative for the 3M Settlement presented on the plan for Priority 2 as part of the 3M Settlement reached in 2018. Mayor Zabel thanked her for her work on this initiative as Oakdale’s community representative.

Mayor Zabel invited comments from the audience. No comments were heard.

CONSENSUS MOTIONS

- a) Request that the City Council waive reading and adopt Resolution 2023-39, authorizing publication of Ordinance No. 897, by title and summary.
- b) Request that the City Council repeal City Policy EPB-004: Engineering Administrative Fees.
- c) Request that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to enter into an agreement between the City of Oakdale and the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board for Opioid Antagonists grant.
- d) Request that the City Council approve the issuance of a temporary on-sale liquor license to Maplewood Oakdale Lions Club for June 22 – 24, 2023 for Summerfest at Walton Park.
- e) Request that the City Council appoint Janet Hagen to the Planning Commission to fill a vacancy for the period of April 12, 2023 to June 30, 2025.
- f) Request that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to sign the proposal between SEH, Inc. and the City of Oakdale for the Engineering Services for City Project P2023-03: Oakdale Park Trails Resurfacing.
- g) Request that the City Council approve Resolution 2023-40, authorizing the City Administrator to execute all necessary documents to ensure the City of Oakdale participation in the multistate settlements relating to opioid supply chain participants, and in the Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement.

- h) Request that the City Council approve the issuance of a Tobacco Sales License for the current term to expire on December 31, 2023, and a THC Product Sales License for the current term to expire on June 30, 2024, upon clearance of the background check by the Oakdale Police Department and all conditions/requirements of the licenses are met.
- i) Request that the City Council approve Resolution 2023-42, a formal request of Independent School District 622 for funding of two School Resource Officers.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON, TO APPROVE CONSENSUS MOTIONS A-I, AS PRESENTED.

5 AYES

ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Economic Development Commission (no meeting, Council Liaison Olson)

Environmental Management Commission (no meeting, Council Liaison Zabel)

Planning Commission (met on 4/6/23, Council Liaison Ingebrigtsen)

Council Member Ingebrigtsen reported that two applications for a Conditional Use Permit for an Oversized Accessory Structure were reviewed.

Parks and Recreation Commission (no meeting, Council Liaison Morcomb)

Tree Board (no meeting, Council Liaison Zabel)

AWARD OF BID

None

STAFF REPORTS

POLICE

a) Animal Humane Society Shelter Agreement

Police Chief Nick Newton explained that the City has a contract with the Companion Animal Control (CAC) for impound and evaluation resources. The CAC is currently utilizing the Animal Humane Society (AHS) shelter in Woodbury for housing animals needing temporary shelter. Because of this, the City needs to have an agreement with the AHS to use their facility. In response to Council Member Olson's question about a new CAC facility, Chief Newton clarified that a new facility was in reference to the Otter Lake Animal Care Center.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HER TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ANIMAL HUMANE SOCIETY.

5 AYES

CITY ATTORNEY

No report

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

a) Real Property Donation Agreement between 3M Company and the City of Oakdale

City Administrator Chris Volkens explained that since 2018, the City has been discussing the 3M-owned property at 32nd Street North and Granada Avenue North as a possible site for the new Public Works facility. 3M offered to donate the land, however there are some environmental concerns with PFAS contamination on the site. Since 2020, the City has been working with 3M on a remediation/clean-up plan and assurance that MPCA certifies it a clean site before being turned over as a clean site to the City for building the new Public Works Facility. Ms. Volkens noted that 3M will donate the land at zero cost to the City and will clean up the site to comply with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) standards. A vapor barrier under the new Public Works facility will also be put in by 3M to ensure continuous contamination mitigation, however, the City will be responsible for maintaining the vapor mitigation system under the building once the new facility opens.

In response to Council Member Morcomb’s question about the environmental clean-up being for the entire nine acres, Ms. Volkens confirmed that the entire nine-acre parcel will be remediated per MPCA standards for the City’s use of the property as a public works facility in accordance with the site plan for the proposed facility.

Council Member Olson expressed her discomfort with the safety of this property as she is unsure of the effects of remediation. She stated she is voting ‘no’ as she is not comfortable putting the residents and staff at risk. Council Member Olson added that her vote could change in the future given the remediation results, but at this time she does not support it.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MORCOMB TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-41 AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO THE REAL PROPERTY AGREEMENT BETWEEN 3M COMPANY AND THE CITY OF OAKDALE. *(Motion requires a two-third majority vote).*

ROLL CALL VOTE:

INGEBRIGTSON:	AYE
MORCOMB:	AYE
HER:	AYE
OLSON:	NAY
ZABEL:	AYE

VOTE: 4 TO 1. MOTION PASSES.

COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

a) Update to Board and Commission Assignments for 2023

Mayor Zabel explained that there is an update to two of the Board and Commission assignments for 2023 due to the addition of Council Member Her.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER MORCOMB, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON TO AFFIRM THE UPDATE TO THE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS LIAISONS FOR 2023, AS NOTED IN THE ATTACHED.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

**Economic Development Commission
Environmental Management Commission
Parks and Recreation Commission
Planning Commission
Tree Board**

COUNCIL LIAISON

**~~Council Member Olson~~ Council Member Her
Mayor Zabel
Council Member Morcomb
Council Member Ingebrigtsen
~~Mayor Zabel~~ Council Member Olson**

5 AYES

Council Member Morcomb thanked the residents who provided feedback on the playground design for Commons Park.

Mayor Zabel made announcements about the following:

- Residents who have questions about their property valuation statement can attend a Washington County Open Book meeting. One meeting will be held in the Oakdale City Hall Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Information for these meetings is on the Washington County website.
- Residents can bring branches (up to 8” diameter) and brush to the Public Works facility, 1900 Hadley Ave N, Monday through Friday between 7:30 AM and 3:00 PM. There will be a nominal fee for this service.
- A free mobile shredding event is taking place on Saturday, April 22, 2023, in the northeast corner of the City Hall parking lot from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. The event is sponsored by Eberhard Real Estate Group.
- The Pete Graske Arbor Day Tree Giveaway is taking place on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at Walton Park from 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM. All relevant information is on the City’s website.
- Maplewood Oakdale Lions Club is hosting the Oakdale Citywide Garage Sale from Thursday, May 4 through Saturday, May 6, 2023. All relevant information is on the Maplewood Oakdale Lions Club Facebook page. Residents can register there as well.

CLAIMS

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HER TO APPROVE CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 29, 2023 TO APRIL 11, 2023, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,025,161.13.

5 AYES

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER INGEBRIGTSON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:47 PM.

5 AYES

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Ludwig, City Clerk