

OWENSBORO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Called Meeting
October 4, 2022 5:00 PM
Owensboro City Hall
101 E. 4th Street
Owensboro, Kentucky

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Tom Watson

2. ROLL CALL - City Clerk Beth Davis

Present:

Mayor Tom Watson
Mayor Pro Tem Larry Maglinger
Commissioner Mark Castlen
Commissioner Bob Glenn
Commissioner Jeff Sanford

3. INVOCATION & PLEDGE – Commissioner Mark Castlen

4. BUSINESS

4.A. Minutes dated September 6, 2022, September 13, 2022 and September 20, 2022 were approved 5-0 upon motion of Mayor Watson with a second by Commissioner Glenn.

4.B. The following board appointments were unanimously approved by motion of Mayor Watson and a second by Commissioner Sanford:

- **Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport Board** – Appoint Philip Smith to a four-year term expiring October 2, 2026.
- **Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission** – Appoint Laurna Strehl to fill the remainder of an unexpired term which ends January 1, 2024.
- **Owensboro Metropolitan Board of Adjustment** – Appoint Laurna Strehl to fill the remainder of an unexpired term which ends January 1, 2026.
- **Dugan Best Neighborhood Alliance** – Appoint Janie Fenwick to a two-year term effective October 4, 2022.

5. ORDINANCES - 2nd READING – None

6. ORDINANCES - 1st READING

6.A. Ordinance 25-2022 entitled AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TO THE CITY OF OWENSBORO CERTAIN UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY IN THE COUNTY OF DAVIESS ADJOINING THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LINE OF THE CITY, BEING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2510 and 2514 W. PARRISH AVENUE, CONTAINING 0.665 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AT THE REQUEST OF MARK AND CARLA ROBERSON AND SARA KO LP, was introduced and read on first reading.

An Ordinance annexing the property located at 2510 and 2514 W. Parrish Avenue containing a total of 0.665 acres. There will be an annexation incentive agreement for the property. City Manager Pagan explained the annexation includes two (2) parcels that are being redeveloped (map attached).

7. MUNICIPAL ORDERS

7.A. Municipal Order 32-2022 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,434.00, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TWENTY-SIX (26) TASERS, TWENTY-SIX (26) TASER BATTERY PACKS, AND FIFTY-TWO (52) TASER CARTRIDGES; NO MATCH REQUIRED FROM THE CITY, was approved 5-0 on one reading upon motion of Mayor Watson and a second from Commissioner Glenn.

The Owensboro Police Department seeks to purchase twenty-six (26) X26P Tasers, twenty-six (26) X26P Auto Shut Down Battery Packs, and fifty-two (52) cartridges for X26P Tasers through the Law Enforcement Protection Program grant awarded by the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

7.B. Municipal Order 33-2022 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,237.56, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE EIGHTEEN (18) NEW BULLETPROOF VESTS; NO MATCH REQUIRED FROM THE CITY, was approved 5-0 on one reading upon motion of Mayor Watson and a second from Commissioner Castlen.

The Owensboro Police Department seeks to purchase eighteen (18) Point Blank Body Armor Vests through the Law Enforcement Protection Program grant awarded by the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

7.C. Municipal Order 34-2022 entitled A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE

KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,134.60, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION FOR PATROL RIFLES AND PATROL PISTOLS; NO MATCH REQUIRED FROM THE CITY, was approved 5-0 on one reading upon motion of Mayor Watson and a second from Mayor Pro Tem Maglinger.

The Owensboro Police Department seeks to purchase one hundred thousand five hundred (100,500) rounds of ammunition to be used in patrol rifles and patrol pistols through the Law Enforcement Protection Program grant awarded by the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

8. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

8.A. The following personnel appointments were approved 5-0 with a motion by Mayor Watson and a second by Commissioner Castlen:

NEW HIRE/PROBATIONARY STATUS:

- **Austin L. Esther** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Police Officer with the Police Department effective October 24, 2022
- **James M. Forker** - Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Police Officer with the Police Department, effective October 24, 2022
- **Justin F. Morris** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Laborer/Maintenance Helper with the Public Works Grounds Department, effective October 24, 2022, ***contingent upon successful completion of all post-offer, pre-employment requirements***
- **Shaelie L. Clark** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Communications and Marketing Manager with the Administration Department, effective October 31, 2022, ***contingent upon successful completion of all post-offer, pre-employment requirements (She has now passed)***
- **Christina E. Butler** – Probationary, full-time, non-civil service appointment to Police Officer with the Police Department, effective November 7, 2022, ***contingent upon successful completion of all post-offer, pre-employment requirements***

City Manager Pagan explained that on occasion appointments are presented to the Commission for consideration before they have successfully completed all post-offer, pre-employment requirements. This occurs because we try to bring new employees on at the beginning of a pay period while coordinating their health screenings with Commission meeting dates.

8.B. City Manager Comments - City Manager Pagan stated the City had been awarded the *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting* by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada for the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2021. This is the highest form of recognition in the area of government accounting and financial reporting and represents a significant accomplishment.

The City was also notified that it has been named as a *Triple Crown Winner* by the GFOA. This designation recognizes governments who have received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting; the Popular Annual Financial Reporting Award, and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The City of Owensboro is one of just 317 governments throughout the United States and Canada to receive this award. Those involved in the annual financial report include Dane' Galloway, Whitney Brown, Carey Haynes and Angela Waninger. Of course, all Departments assist in the budget. Beth Davis, Whitney Galloway and Angela Waninger are involved in the PAFR.

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

Members of the Commission discussed the events they recently attended.

Commissioner Castlen acknowledged Father Sunesh who recently received his U.S. citizenship.

10. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

Rev. Randolyn Randolph (1926 Westview Drive) expressed her concern with the voting poll locations for the upcoming election. The Sportscenter had previously been used in the primary election and is a prime location; however, it is not an option for the General Election. She stated the poll locations puts a certain segment of the community in a position with no place to vote, it is a disservice to the citizens.

Mayor Watson and City Manager both explained the Daviess County Clerk is responsible for setting the poll locations; however, the City does provide free bus transportation on election day for voting. City Manager Pagan also stated the voting locations and said he will find out why the Sportscenter was eliminated.

Samuel Tandy (4349 Yewell's Landing East) asked why the decision was made to not use the Sportscenter. Mayor Watson directed Mr. Tandy to the Daviess County Clerk's office.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. by motion of Mayor Watson and a second by Mayor Pro Tem Maglinger; motion carried unanimously.

Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Davis, City Clerk