

Special City Council Meeting
September 16, 2014

The City Council met in special session at 5:00 PM at City Hall with the following members present: Mayor Zimmer and Council: Strutz, O'Brien, Conklin, Engel, Forward and Harris. Visitors present: Doug Harris and Greg Gebhardt. Employees present: Pat Nelson, Gary Neuharth and April Haring.

Variance Requests

Doug Harris, Lots 1 & 2 Block 2 St Charles, submitted variance application requesting to construct a shop larger than the allowed size per City Ordinance. The allowed size for an accessory building within the City of Oakes is 1,200 square feet. The property owner would like to construct a shop 40 feet by 48 feet (1,920 square feet) plus an additional 2-foot soffit overhang. It will be placed within all required set-backs. Notice was sent to property owners within 150 feet of proposed site. One written and one verbal protest were received. Conklin moved, Forward second to approve variance and allow construction of shop as stated. Harris abstained from vote. Roll call: O'Brien-no, Engel-no, Conklin-yes, Forward-yes, Strutz-yes, motion carried.

Greg Gebhardt, South ½ Lot 5 & All Lot 6 Block 10 Washburns, submitted variance appliance requesting a home be placed within the allowed setback required along property lines per City Ordinance. The required setback is 20 feet from the property line (typically 40 feet from the curb). The property owner would like to set the house 6 feet from the south property line (along Juniper Ave; approximately 26 feet from the curb) in order to line up with the existing garage. The home will also be need to be set approximately 4 feet from the existing garage instead of the required 5 feet. Notice was sent to property owners within 150 feet of proposed site. No official protests were received. Greg Gebhardt submitted change to application, placing home within 6 feet of allowed setback, allowing 34 feet from the curb on south side of property. Harris moved, Engel second to approve variance and allow home to be placed per amended request. Roll call: Conklin-yes, Forward-yes, O'Brien-yes, Strutz-yes, Engel-yes, Harris-yes, motion carried.

Building Permit

O'Brien moved, Harris second to approve application for B&B Gardens, Lots 3, 4, & 5 Block 35 Washburns, to remove portion of curb for parking and construct garage with condition structure must be placed at 5-6 feet from other buildings, carried.

First Reading-Sales Tax Request

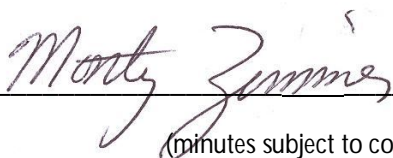
Request received for sales tax funding to have armory floors stripped and sealed, cost estimated to be \$1,700.00 and is scheduled for end of month.

Homecoming Pep Rally

Oakes Public School requested permission to have portions of Main Avenue closed to traffic on September 19th to assemble students and community for the Homecoming Pep Rally. Strutz moved, Harris second to approve request, carried.

Harris moved, Forward second to adjourn meeting at 5:30 PM

MAYOR



ATTEST



(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting)