

THE TOWN OF ODESSA
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL
MONDAY AUGUST 8, 2022
OLD ACADEMY BUILDING
315 MAIN STREET
ODESSA, DE

IN-PERSON

Those present at 7:00 pm

Mayor: Harvey C. Smith, Jr.

Council Member: John Freeman

Council Member: Lionel Hynson

Council Member: Yeni Ocampo

Treasurer:

Secretary: Barbara Roberts

Guests or Community Members: approx.. 9

I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance, meeting called to order at 7:00

II. Appointment, attached hereto as attachment A (*1 page email*)

- Mayor Smith made the recommendation to appoint Leonard Aguilar for the remainder of a 2 year term on Town Council, replacing Ed Pollard

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY YENI OCAMPO TO APPOINT LEONARD AGUILAR FOR THE REMAINDER OF A 2 YEAR TERM ON TOWN COUNCIL

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE, 4 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

III. Oath of Office

- Mayor Smith gave the oath of office to Leonard Aguilar

IV. Roll Call

V. Approval of Minutes

- a. Minutes: Public Hearing 7-11-22

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY LIONEL HYNSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 11, 2022, PUBLIC HEARING AS WRITTEN

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

- b. Regular Meeting of Mayor & Council from 7-11-22

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED LIONEL HYNSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 11, 2022, MEETING OF MAYOR & COUNCIL AS WRITTEN

MOTION CARRIED: VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

- VI. Correspondence -*None*

- VII. Treasurer's Report

- a. Balance Sheet / Profit & Loss as of 7-31-22, attached hereto as attachment B & C (*4 page reports*)
- Mayor Smith reviewed various expenses on the report, in the absence of the Town Treasurer, noting that capital improvement money had been used to install fire extinguishers, exit lighting, and update ceiling lights in the old council area.

MOTION BY LIONEL HYNSON, SECONDED BY LEONARD AGUILAR TO APPROVE THE TREASURERS REPORT FROM 7-31-22 AS SUBMITTED

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

- VIII. Commission Reports

- a. Historic – No July Meeting
b. Planning – meeting dates were: 7-12-22 & 7-28-22 (comprehensive plan update)
c. Trees – No July Meeting

- IX. Old Business

- a. Tree Inc.
- Storm cleanup has been performed and completed.
- b. Update: Old Academy HVAC upgrades
- The upgrades for the HVAC systems have been completed and funded through the ARPA Funding
- c. Update: Memorial Park Basketball Court
- Backboards have been re-welded and installed. Mayor Smith thanked the Fire Company for assisting in the installation with their ladder truck.
 - Playground equipment is scheduled for inspections.

- d. ARPA allowable expenditures
 - The ARPA attorney has advised the Town that we are able to spend ARPA funding on any property or building the Town owns, which will allow us to make much needed improvements to both the Town Hall and the two municipal parks.

X. New Business

- a. Commission Appointments, attached hereto as attachment D (*1 page document*)
 - Mayor Smith asked Council to accept appointments to Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission to replace Ed Pollard.

MOTION BY LIONEL HYNSON, SECONDED BY LEONARD AGUILAR TO ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENTS OF:

YENI OCAMPO FOR THE REMAINDER OF 3 YEAR TERM, ENDING IN 2023

AMY OTTINGER FOR THE REMAINDER OF 3 YEAR TERM, ENDING IN 2024

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

- b. Reschedule September Council Meeting:
 - Because of the Labor Day holiday, the September meeting of Mayor & Council will be rescheduled to Monday, September 12, 2022

- c. Resolution 2022-5 Recognizing Ed Pollard, attached hereto as attachment E (*1 page resolution*)

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY YENI OCAMPO TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-5 RECOGNIZING ED POLLARD

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

- XI. Next Meeting Date and Time: Next meeting of Mayor & Council will be a change in schedule because of the Labor Day holiday, it will be Monday September 12, 2022, at 7:00,

- Port Penn Historical Society has asked permission to hang teal color ribbons on poles in town for Ovarian Cancer Awareness month. Council did not object.
- X-mas in Odessa (Women's Club) has asked permission to have a food truck on Main Street during the tours.

MOTION BY JOHN FREEMAN, SECONDED BY LIONEL HYNSON TO ALLOW THE WOMEN'S CLUB TO HAVE A FOOD TRUCK ON MAIN STREET DURING X-MAS IN ODESSA

MOTION CARRIED. 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

XII. Adjournment

MOTION BY YENI OCAMPO, SECONDED BY LEONARD AGUILAR TO ADJOURN THE MEETING 7:43 PM

MOTION CARRIED. 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

Minutes Submitted: 8/16/22

Barbara Roberts
Secretary

Approved: _____

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