**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

**CITY OF OAKLEY**

December 12, 2024

7:00 P.M.

**City Attorney:** Peter Wells (absent)

**Public Works Director:** Jared Mitton

**City Clerk:** Dannika Colson

**Cassia County Deputy:**

**City Engineer:** Dave Waldron

**Mayor:** Buffy Cooper

**Council Members:**

Ralph Barnard

Al Lowe (absent)

Tyann Corbet

Brett Arnell

**Visitors:** Devin (Western Waste) Rachelle (Republic), Patricia Harris

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Tyann moved to open the public hearing, Ralph seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Public hearing for the Special Use Permit of Rob Wybenga began. Rob was requesting to change his previous plans from building 2 duplex units on his property to now building a single triplex unit in the interest of space on the property. There were no comments or concerns.

Tyann moved to close the public hearing, Brett seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The public hearing was adjourned.

Public Comment: no public comment

**First Item of Business:** Patricia Harris presented an idea for an after school program, and requested the use of the senior center 4 days a week. Although the council loves the idea of an after-school program, they are hesitant to grant the request, as the seniors get to have the first say on when and how the center is used. The council did say that if she wants to pursue it further that the Senior Citizen Board would need to be included in the decision, unless she wanted to use the council chambers, as the council had control over the use of that room. She was given some options to explore if she wanted to go ahead with it. No decision was made.

**Second Business Item:** Brett moved to approve the Special Use Permit for Rob Wybenga, Ralph seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**Third Item of Business:** Ralph moved to approve the water connection application for Rob Wybenga, Brett seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**Fourth Item of Business:** Devin, the owner of Western Waste presented before the council, he is in the process of selling his company to Republic and asked the council to sign off on the reassignment of the contract to Republic. Rachelle with Republic presented information about their company, they are the #1 company in the world for recycling, they are a national company having branches in every state and some in Canada. She assured the council that the contract would stay the same, and that rates would not change, garbage removal days would stay the same as well, the only change would be the name of the company providing the service. Jared sent the contract to the city attorney, and he had no concerns. The council saw no reason to not allow the re-assignment. Ralph moved to approve the reassignment to Republic, Brett seconded and it passed unanimously. Buffy signed the document, and I Attested

**Fifth Item of Business:** Progress on the well is still on hold. The council denied the bid that was presented by Gary Jones in the November meeting, so the engineer must now break the bid into individual scopes and send those bids out to the different contractors. Dave is working on that, as well as getting the total amount that is left in the grant for the project.

**Sixth Item of Business:** Buffy wondered if there was a way to add a line to the online bill pay for the Next Dollar Donations. Dannika to investigate it.

**Seventh Item of Business:** Brett moved to approve November’s meeting minutes, Tyann seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**Eighth Item of Business:** Tyann moved to approve the bills, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**Ninth Item of Business:** Brett moved to adjourn the meeting, Tyann seconded, and the vote was unanimous.