

**Osakis City Council
Special Meeting
August 16, 2010
4:30 PM**

Present: Pederson, Emerson, Olson, Gulbranson

Absent: Anderson

Others Present: Angela Jacobson

Mayor Emerson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Motion by Gulbranson, seconded by Olson to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Bartendar Wages. All Ayes Absent: Anderson

Project #56: Insurance

Council received a letter from the Lakes Country Coop. The city received a refund of \$42,934.75 for the year 2009 for our health insurance. The money was refunded due to the whole group being healthy.

Council discussed the refund and what to do with the money. In the year 2009, family coverage was over \$500.00 per month.

Motion by Pederson, seconded by Emerson, to refund \$2,000.00 to Joe Ketelboeter for family coverage and give Lynnette Swenstad the option of \$2,000.00 in cash or health savings account or reduce monthly premiums. The city will also offer a \$1,000 health savings account for single plans as an incentive to switch to a higher deductible plan and to save the city money in the future. The remaining money will be put in the general fund. All Ayes Absent: Anderson

Project #84: Budget

The Council reviewed the general fund budget for revenues and expenditures. The Council was informed the LGA (Local Government Aid) for 2011 is \$459,347.00 and the city will not be transferring money from the Liquor Store fund.

Council discussed raising the levy and bond payments. The Council feel that the bond for the Industrial Park will be covered by OEDC money so the city does not have to levy and would do a modest increase of 3% for 2011. A total increase of \$11,380 so the total levy is \$390,716.00.

Motion by Pederson, seconded by Emerson, to increase the levy 3%. All Ayes Absent: Anderson

Project #396 – 8th Avenue Project (Paul Hartmann)

Council received a letter from Tom Klecker regarding the lawsuit with Paul Hartmann. Hartmann's attorney has offered a settlement of 50% of the assessment for a total assessment of \$33,389.50.

Motion by Emerson, seconded by Gulbranson, to agree to the 50% of the assessment for a total of \$33,389.50 for Paul Hartmann. All Ayes Absent: Anderson

Project #24 – Liquor Store

Emerson talked to Julie Blair regarding the bartenders wage for Renee Goodwin. Goodwin fills in for Blair when she is gone and does the deposits and orders as needed. Council discussed the option of the wage increase and title change.

Motion by Emerson, seconded by Pederson, to give Renee Goodwin the title of Head Bartender with a \$.50 an hour increase. All Ayes Absent: Anderson

Council also discussed some Liquor Store promotions and Olson is working with Blair and Goodwin.

Motion by Pederson, seconded by Olson, to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. All Ayes Absent: Anderson

Mayor – Keith Emerson

City Clerk – Angela A. Jacobson