**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

**CITY OF OAKLEY**

August 8,2024

**City Attorney:** Peter Wells

**Public Works Director:** Jared Mitton

**City Clerk:** Dannika Colson

**Cassia County Deputy:** Tyler Matthews (absent)

**City Engineer:** Dave Waldron

**Mayor:** Buffy Cooper

**Council Members:**

Ralph Barnard

Al Lowe

Tyann Corbet (absent)

Brett Arnell

**Visitors:**

Public Comment or Sheriff Review

Public Hearing: Brett moved to open the 2024-2025 budget hearing, Al seconded, and the vote was unanimous. There was no public comment on the budget, so Brett then motioned to close the public hearing, Al seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**First Item of Business:** The council reviewed the budget for the 4th and final time, the budget was approved by roll call vote

Al – yes

Ralph – yes

Brett – yes

Tyann - absent

**Second Item of Business:** Al moved that the council approve, and the mayor sign the appropriation ordinance for the 2024-2025 budget. Brett seconded and the ordinance passed unanimously.

**Third Item of Business:** Dave and Jared reported on the well and storage tank status. Jared and AJ have with great care and effort exposed all the lines that will be used to tie in the tank to the well. Jared has ordered parts to begin that process, he is waiting for them to get in, in the meantime the inside of the tank will be pressure washed and then filled and chlorinated. Tie in will hopefully begin in the next couple of weeks.

Dave generated a new engineer report at the request of the DEQ. He is now waiting for the last of the consultations to come in before he can put the last phase of the project up for bid.

**Fourth Item of Business:** Our RIVDA contract is up for renewal, the new contract was presented to the council for approval and signature. Al moved that the contract be approved and signed by the mayor, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**Fifth Item of Business:** It has been brought to the attention of the council that the city may want to look over the building permit ordinance that is currently in place. As it stands now, residents go first to the county to procure a building permit, and then submit it to the city so it is on file. There are differences in what is acceptable from the county’s standpoint and the city’s. The council discussed whether they wanted to continue to allow the county to issue permits or if it is something that the city wants to take charge of. After some discussion, the council agreed that they may want to look at the ordinance and make some changes in the future, but for now they have decided to leave it as is.

**Sixth Item of Business:** Pete reported that there is really nothing that the city can do as far as prohibiting Airbnb’s, but it would be good to check with other cities to see what they are doing to regulate them. Jared was assigned to talk with other cities and see what they are doing when it comes to Airbnb’s.

The council decided to table the last items on the agenda

**Seventh Item of Business:** Al moved to approve the minutes, Ralph seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**Eighth Item of Business:** Al moved to approve July’s bills, Brett Seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

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