



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 24, 2023**

**REGULAR MEETING**

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Olathe Board of Trustees was held as a hybrid meeting on Monday, July 24, 2023. Said meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Law. Mayor Jake Foreman called the Meeting to order at 7:05 PM and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Mayor Jake Foreman; Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson; Trustee Darrin Westermann; Trustee Mark Hillier; Trustee Steve Gottlieb

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** Trustee Christine Kinion; Trustee Abigail Aldaco

**STAFF PRESENT:** Monique Garrett, Town Administrator; Chief Frank Rodriguez, OPD; Officer Alex Angel, OPD

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Elaine Davison (R); Shirlee Dykes (NR); Angeles Mendez (NR); Ruby Loya (R); Gary Fry (NR); Kathy Scharf (NR)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*A motion by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson to approve the consent agenda as presented, which includes the July 10, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting minutes and the AP approval report was seconded by Trustee Steve Gottlieb. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a five to zero vote in favor.*

**AGENDA CHANGES** – None.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Elaine Davison – Would appreciate more transparency from the Board and staff on what is happening with the Community Center, she has noticed dangerous driving by some Town staff and the Public Works crew is leaving fence gates open when they read the water meters.

**ACTION ITEMS**

*The Board convened as the Local License Authority*

**8.1) PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Jake Foreman opened the Public Hearing to receive comment on the Special Event Liquor License application submitted by the Knights of Columbus #2719 to operate a beer garden at the Festival Agricola on September 16, 2023. Public Hearing was opened at 7:15 PM. Hearing no comments, Mayor Foreman closed the Public Hearing at 7:16 PM.

**8.2) SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR PERMIT – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2719**

Town Clerk, Monique Garrett stated that the Knights of Columbus has met all requirements associated with the Special Event Liquor Permit application and all fees have been paid. Ms. Garrett recommended the permit application for approval.

*A motion by Trustee Steve Gottlieb to approve the Special Event Liquor Permit application submitted by the Knights of Columbus #2719 for a beer garden at the Festival Agricola on September 16, 2023, was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a five to zero vote in favor.*

*The Board reconvened into regular session.*

**8.3) DONATION REQUEST**

Members of Harvest Community Church requested a donation from the Board to help in purchasing school supplies for underserved youth in the Olathe community.

*A motion by Trustee Steve Gottlieb to donate two hundred dollars to the Harvest Community Church for the purpose of purchasing school supplies for underserved youth in the Olathe community was seconded by Trustee Mark Hillier. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a five to zero vote in favor.*

**8.4) PROJECT 7**

The Board discussed the impact on the Town's budget and Town residents' water rates due to the proposed Project 7 Water Resiliency Program.

*A motion by Trustee Darrin Westermann directing Olathe's Project 7 representative, Mayor Jake Foreman, to vote no on the proposed fifty cent increase per 1,000 gallons of water purchased for 2024 and additional increases past 2024 was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a five to zero vote in favor.*

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**9.1) RESIDENT CONCERNS – Mr. Lobato was not in attendance.**

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT** – Report given during Work Session.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

- The Police Department distributed call statistics for the month of July 2023.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Trustee Gottlieb – Thanked the Police Department for their service and being diligent in keeping Olathe safe. Asked that the Parks Dept employees slow down on the equipment when driving through Town and that the watering system in Pocket Park is not operating correctly.

Mayor Pro Tem Davidson – July 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 PM is Food Truck Thursday at the Business Cultivator and is open to everyone.

Trustee Westermann – Would like to see a change in the agenda format to move public comment to a different place in the agenda to allow for more opportunity to comment; and asked if there was a way to include advertising Festivals with Main Street banners to generate excitement and inform the community of Town events.

Trustee Hillier – The Town needs to begin working on ways to generate revenue, such as the dispensaries and a safety sales tax.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business at hand, a motion was made by Trustee Steve Gottlieb and seconded by Trustee Darrin Westermann to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:05 PM with no further action taken. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a five to zero vote in favor.*



Jake Foreman, Mayor



ATTEST:



Monique Garrett, Town Clerk

Approved as submitted ☒  
Approved as amended ☐