

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 5:30 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chambers  
115 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.

The meeting was held on Zoom, City Administrator Darin DeHaan was present in the Council Room at City Hall.

Present: Mayor Ken Williams  
Commissioner Melanie Cozzi  
Commissioner Tim Krug  
Commissioner Kurt Wilson  
City Administrator Darin DeHaan  
Police Chief Shawn Melville  
City Attorney Paul Chadwick  
City Clerk Cheryl Hilton

Present via Zoom: Corey Buck, Jeff Helfrich, Rachel Jones, Dave Kent, Terry Plemmons, and Moring Disposal.

Absent: Commissioner Terry Schuster

City Administrator Darin DeHaan started the pledge of allegiance.

City Attorney Paul Chadwick opened the Public Hearing pursuant to the requirements of Sections 10 and 20 of the Bond Issuance Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended on the plans to issue (A) General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021A in the amount not to exceed \$1,900,000, (B) to issue General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021B in the amount not to exceed \$1,835,000 and (C) to issue General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021C in the amount not to exceed \$285,000 at 5:31 p.m.

No public comment.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to close the public hearing at 5:32 p.m., Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to re-open the Public Hearing pursuant to the requirements of Sections 10 and 20 of the Bond Issuance Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended on the plans to issue (A) General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021A in the amount not to exceed \$1,900,000, (B) to issue General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021B in the amount not to exceed \$1,835,000 and (C) to issue General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021C in the amount not to exceed \$285,000 at 5:34 p.m., Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

Ken Williams, Mayor, as Hearing Officer read the following statement:

*Good afternoon, Ladies and Gentlemen. This hearing will come to order. Let the record reflect that this is a public hearing being held pursuant to the requirements of Sections 10 and 20 of the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended (the "Act"). Notice of this hearing was published on*

January 29, 2021, in the *Oregon Republican Reporter*, a newspaper of general circulation in the City. This is a hearing regarding a plan to issue the Bonds.

1. The proceeds of the Series 2021A Bonds will be used to (i) currently refund the City's outstanding street loans, (ii) finance various capital improvements within the City, including, in connection with said work, acquisition of all land or rights in land, mechanical, electrical, and other services necessary, useful, or advisable thereto and (iii) pay certain costs of issuance of the Series 2021A Bonds.

The Series 2021A Bonds will be issued by the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and shall constitute a general obligation of the City, payable from (i) from the City's receipts of Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation and Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Taxes, and (ii) ad valorem taxes of the City for which its full faith and credit have been irrevocably pledged, unlimited as to rate or amount.

2. The proceeds of the Series 2021B Bonds will be used to (i) advance refund the City's outstanding General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2013, dated May 2, 2013, originally issued to (a) finance and refinance the acquisition, construction and installation of certain sewer repairs, rehabilitation and improvements and sewerage system replacements, and related facilities improvements, and (b) refinance the City's outstanding Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Loan (L17-283200) which was used for the construction of new storm sewers and conversion of then existing combined sewers, and (ii) pay certain costs of issuance of the Series 2021B Bonds.

The Series 2021B Bonds will be issued by the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and shall constitute a general obligation of the City, payable from the net revenues derived from the operation by the City of its Sewerage System as authorized to be issued at this time pursuant to Division 141 of Article 11 of the Code or, in lieu thereof, alternate bonds, being general obligation bonds payable from (i) Net Revenues of the City's Sewerage System, (ii) all collections distributed to the City from Retailer's Occupation Taxes, Service Occupation Taxes, Use Taxes and Service Use Taxes and (iii) ad valorem taxes of the City for which its full faith and credit have been irrevocably pledged, unlimited as to rate or amount.

3. The proceeds of the Series 2021C Bonds will be used to (i) currently refund the City's outstanding city hall roof loan, and (ii) pay certain costs of issuance of the Series 2021C Bonds.

The Series 2021C Bonds will be issued by the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and shall constitute a general obligation of the City, payable from (i) income taxes imposed by the State pursuant to the Illinois Income Tax Act and distributed pursuant to the State Revenue Sharing Act and (ii) ad valorem taxes of the City for which its full faith and credit have been irrevocably pledged, unlimited as to rate or amount.

This public hearing is required by Sections 10 and 20 of the Act. At the time and place set for the public hearing, residents, taxpayers, and other interested persons will be given the opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed plan of financing, the issuance of the Bonds and the purpose of the issuance of the Bonds.

The Hearing Officer asked if there was anyone who wished to submit written comments. There were no written comments.

The Hearing Officer asked all residents, taxpayers or other interested persons attending the hearing and desiring an opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed Bonds, to please stand so that they may have an opportunity to make those comments or statements. There were no public comments.

The Hearing Officer concluded the public hearing regarding a plan to issue the Bonds.

Let the Record further reflect this public hearing was concluded at the hour of 5:41 p.m., February 9, 2021.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to close the Public Hearing at 5:41 p.m., Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

Steve with Moring Disposal reported on the recycling program. Moring Disposal is seeking financial help with the cost of handling the recycling, it is a product that no one wants and costs a lot to dispose of. The recycling is transported to Whitewater, WI for disposal at a cost of 95 dollars per ton to dispose of the right way. They have received financial help from a few communities already. He also apologized for the recycling being picked up with the same truck as the garbage.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to approve the January 26<sup>th</sup>, minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

Mayor Ken Williams moved to approve payroll in the amount of 55,186.71 and the current warrants as listed:

Blackhawk Hills Regional Council	\$883.10
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$19,364.74
Bonnell Industries	\$3,716.30
Buddy Jenkins	\$187.50
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Constellation New Energy, Inc	\$3,003.70
Ehmen	\$5,494.99
Envision Healthcare, Inc	\$280.00
Ferguson Waterworks #2516	\$179.15
Fidelity Security Life Insurance	\$205.08
First Midwest Bank	\$4,071.22
Fischer's	\$361.89
Frontier	\$364.94
Fry-Fyter, Inc	\$567.15
International Code Council, Inc	\$145.00
Joshua & Roselani James	\$4,000.00
Kunes Country Auto Group	\$47.27
MCS Advertising	\$825.00
Mel's Custom Graphics	\$710.00
Menards	\$55.67
Moring Disposal	\$63.00
MyGov, LLC	\$2,520.00
NAPA	\$575.66
Nathan Baldwin	\$431.25
N-Trak Group, LLC	\$17,871.73
Ogle County Clerk & Recorder	\$60.00
Oregon Snyder	\$11.88
Pace Payment Systems Inc	\$5.00
PDC Laboratories, Inc	\$239.00
Pollard Water	\$34.56
Postmaster	\$42.00
Quill	\$234.71
Quill	\$70.01
Sauk Valley Newspaper	\$166.40

Steve Benesh & Sons	\$2,500.00
Stillman BancCorp	\$1,181.37
Willett Hofmann & Associates	\$4,231.80
	<b>\$74,851.07</b>

Seconded by Commissioner Kurt Wilson.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to approve the Marketing Agreement for NLC Service Line Warranty Program, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

**Discussion:** City Administrator Darin DeHaan said the coverage will now include from the shut off to the watermain.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

City Administrator Darin DeHaan reported that 2 of the 3 Downstate Grant payments are in and a public hearing will be set to finalize the documents. Snow removal in the downtown will be postponed since more snow is on the way within the next day or two.

Mayor Ken Williams said another city newsletter will be coming out and he will be looking for feedback from all departments on future projects. There have been no updates on the Iron Mike project, but the plumbing is there, just waiting to do the landscaping at this point.

Commissioner Kurt Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Tim Krug.

Roll Call: Cozzi, Krug, Wilson, Williams. No Nays. Absent: Schuster.

Adjourn: 6:02 P.M.

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Ken Williams, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Hilton, City Clerk