

COUNCIL MEETING
Monday January 26, 2004
City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday January 26, 2004, 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Thomas R. Stone, Sr.
Commissioner Tom Izer
Commissioner Nicholas Johnson
Commissioner Bob Rees
Commissioner Jim Tegtmeyer
City Clerk Charlene Ruthe
Attorney Wendy Howarter
Chief Thomas Miller

Thomas Miller started the pledge.

Lori Peters spokesperson for the Save Scenic Oregon Group handed in petitions with three hundred and sixty-four signatures regarding the improvements that are being proposed for Route 2 (4th Street from Madison Street to Fair Street). The petitions are for the city not to cooperate with the proposed Illinois Department of Transportation plan on adding turning lanes at the intersection of Route 2 and Route 64 requiring the demolition of the Rock River Bank building and the National Clothing Building, encroachments on property, and cutting down trees, and acquiring property. The public meeting for the Route 2 Project will be January 28, 2004 at the Oregon Park District from 1-6 P.M.

Petitions handed
in regarding Rt
2 Project

Mayor Tom Stone is urging residents to have faith in who they have elected and to seek more information before opposing the changes to Route 2.

Commissioner Nick Johnson moved to approve the January 12, 2004 minutes,
Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Approved
minutes

Roll Call: Izer, Johnson, Rees, Tegtmeyer, Stone. No Nays.

Payroll/claims

Commissioner Thomas Izer moved to approve the payroll in the amount of
\$25,914.32 and claims as listed:

ARC Design, \$4,762.51
Arshem Data Services, \$85.00
Assn. Public Treasurers, \$115.00
Bemis Motors, \$1,751.73
Biller Press, \$132.35
Richard Bocker, \$145.00
Brian Bemis, \$212.14
Cintas, \$65.58
ComEd, \$3,544.37
Dynamic Horizons Computer Service, \$30.00
EMC, \$741.33
Ehmen, \$221.10
Fyr-Fyter, \$157.64
Il. Correctional Industries, \$64.90
KSB Medical Group, \$113.00
M&M Supermarket, \$89.32
Mobile Electronics, \$225.00
Moring Disposal, \$9,373.00
Municipal Code Corp., \$448.39
NICOR, \$765.30
Oregon Lawn & Farm, \$164.96
Oregon Rotary Club, \$135.50
P.F. Pettibone & Co., \$120.15
Quill, \$185.94
R.W. Troxell & Co., \$2,474.00
Emmy Spickler, \$120.00
Steve Benesh & Sons, \$4,570.00

US Cellular, \$70.20
Verizon Wireless, \$390.05
West Group, \$376.00
Seconded by Commissioner Nick Johnson.

Roll Call: Izer, Johnson, Rees, Tegtmeyer, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Nick Johnson moved to approve the garbage, refuse, and recycling franchise with Moring Disposal for four years (the residents charge will stay the same), Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Roll Call: Izer, Johnson, Rees, Tegtmeyer, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Nick Johnson announced that he will be working on a fence and pets ordinance.

Commissioner Bob Rees announced that while the contractor was working on Well#4 they found that the casing was in need of repair. The cost will be somewhere around forty-three thousand. He would like to see a maintenance program in place so that the water/sewer department will have a schedule each year for preventive maintenance. This well did not have any maintenance for ten years and it should be checked every five years.

Mayor Tom Stone announced that the trip to Washington D.C. last week will hopefully lead to federal money to help fund upgrading the wastewater treatment plant. The city is requesting between \$1-2 million for the project. The meetings with the Senators and Congressman were arranged by Robin Johnson an EMC lobbyist.

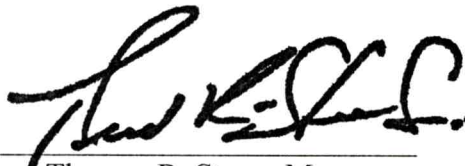
Commissioner Bob Rees moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Roll Call: Izer, Johnson, Rees, Tegtmeyer, Stone. No Nays.

Adjourn: 7:40 P.M.

ATTEST:


Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk


Thomas R. Stone, Mayor

Claims

Approved
garbage
franchise
Moring Disposa

Commissioner
reports

Mayor Report

Adjourn