COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 8, 2001

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday January 8, 2001, 7:00 P.M. Council Chambers

Present:

Mayor Mike Arians

Commissioner Jim Lauer Commissioner Gerald Medlar Commissioner Tom Stone Commissioner Amy Trimble Attorney Wendy Howarter Chief Thomas Miller City Clerk Charlene Ruthe

Chief Tom Miller started the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Amy Trimble moved to approve the December 18, 2000 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved that the payroll in the amount of \$23,064.55 and claims listed be allowed:

AT&T, \$21.46

Automatic Control Service, \$2,550.00

Basler's, \$206.94

Bemis Motor Co., \$18.60

Bonnell Industries, \$1,170.88

Brains Unlimited, \$821.99

CMS, \$12,924.00

ComEd, \$2,969.82

Darin DeHaan, \$68.00

Diversified Code & Inspection, \$378.00

Ehmen, \$48.00

Fischer's, \$146.11

Fortis Insurance, \$129.50

Fred Pryor Seminars, \$89.00

Gall's, Inc., \$297.89

Hoyle Road Equipment, \$32.74

Ideal Uniform Service, \$57.55

M&M Supermarket, \$47.13

NAPA, \$370.55

Oregon Chamber of Commerce, \$137.00

Oregon Super Valu, \$129.00

Steve Orsted, \$210.00

Steve Orsted, \$140.00

Patten, \$439.37

Pitney Bowes, \$172.00

Printing & More, \$533.00

Quill, \$91.88

RCHA Answering Service, \$173.15

Rock River Ford, \$8.43

Rockford Industrial Welding Supply, \$91.46

SBM, \$48.92

Steve Benesh & Sons, \$14,740.00

Stocking Equipment, \$13.65

Verdin Co., \$395.00

Verizon, \$822.72

Verizon Wireless, \$92.56

W.S. Darley, \$27.62

Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.

Approve mins

Claims

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

The Council discussed the sale of surplus land at 3rd and Illinois Street. A copy of the appraisal is on file for public inspection at City Hall. Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to pass Resolution No. 620 to approve the sale of surplus land located at the corner of Third and Illinois Street. The last day offers will be accepted will be February 13, 2001 at 12:00 P.M., Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

Chief Miller reminded citizens again about parking on the streets after a one-inch snowfall.

Commissioner Amy Trimble attended a County meeting sponsored by Lynn Kilker to create a committee referred to as CEDS at the Courthouse. They will meet bi-monthly, hopefully someone from each community within the County will be involved, and they will work on projects within the county such as bike trails or snow mobile trails. This committee would be very helpful in the future when applying for grant money. It was suggested that someone from the Economic Development Commission attend these meetings once it is formed. Amy also had a request from Autumn on Parade for financial assistance. Because of the bad weather the past three years they have not generated as much revenue as past years. Amy is currently the Treasurer for AOP. The outstanding bills are to ComEd for \$867.00 dollars and Ogle County Newspaper for \$1,425.08 making the total \$2, 292.08. The AOP committee currently only has \$26.00 dollars in their checkbook. Mayor Arians feels that they have helped the City in the past and this would be a way to thank them for all they have done. The Council discussed having AOP present a plan for the up coming festival this fall. Amy informed them that the next board meeting for AOP will be January 15, 2001 and at that meeting they will vote for new executive board members. Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to pay the two bills for AOP totaling \$2,292.08, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone. Trimble abstained from voting. No Nays.

Commissioner Tom Stone let the Council know his thoughts on the parking in the downtown area. He would like to see the two-hour limit taken off the parking areas on Third Street between Washington Street and Jefferson Street. This will be continued to be worked on.

Commissioner Jim Lauer announced that the water-sewer department got the storm sewer jetter and have already had it working. We are still waiting on the EPA approval for the storm sewer project.

Mayor Mike Arians announced that the Economic Development Commission is being worked on and the names that were suggested for the Commission received a letter and we are waiting for responses. Hopefully next meeting we can make a motion as to who will be on the commission so that they can get started with their meetings.

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to adjourn, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

7:40 P.M

Mayor Mike Arians

ATTEST:

City Clerk Charlene Ruthe

Res#620 Surplus land

Prk Ord. reminder

CEDS meeting

AOP request

Motion to pay AOP bills to ComEd & Ogle Co News

Commissioner report prking situation in the business dist.

W-S dept got storm jetter

Ec Developme Commission

Adjourn