Council Meeting November 10, 1997

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday, November 10, 1997 at 5:30 P.M., Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor James Barnes

Commissioner Robert Aurand Commissioner Gerald Medlar Commissioner Ted Suneson

Council Absent: Commissioner Chrissie Myers

Attorney David Smith City Clerk Julienne Crowley Charlene Ruthe

Mayor Barnes opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Suneson moved that the minutes of the October 27, 1997 meeting be approved as recorded, seconded by Robert Aurand

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Suneson, Barnes. No nays

Commissioner Aurand moved that the payroll in the amount of \$18,666.02 and claims as listed be allowed:

Postmaster, \$100.00

Time Insurance, \$135.00

Central Management Services, \$6,012.98

AT&T, \$26.91 Basler's, \$169.49

Big A Auto Parts, \$16.80

Business Records, \$906.83

Ehmens, \$325.20

G&S Tree Service, \$900.00

Government Finance Officers, \$120.00

GTE Mobilnet, \$13.99

GTE, \$360/15

Haines & Co., \$87.50

L&K Electronics, \$50.00

Lunde Truck Sales \$14.42

Merrill's Service Center, \$252.95

Myers Concrete, \$5,105.00

Neutron Industries, \$161.29

Northwest III. Construction Co, \$30,288.16

RCHA Answering Service, \$129.80

Rochelle Community Hospital, \$21.80

Rogers Ready Mix, \$30.98

Dennis Schumacher, \$4,984.00

State of Illinois, \$2500.00

Willett, Hofmann & Assoc., \$3,338.36

B.C.Energy Co, \$1,169.50

Decker Drug, \$45.41

EMC, \$21,980.87

Moring Disposal, \$25,918.55

Troy DeVries, \$569.14

Seconded by Ted Suneson

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Suneson, Barnes. No nays.

A public hearing was held in regard to the Tax Levy for the 1997 year. Commissioner Aurand explained the levy figures to those in attendance. There were no comments from the audience. Mayor Barnes closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Aurand moved that Ordinance 1111-Tax Levy be passed, seconded by Gerald Medlar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Suneson, Barnes. No nays

Beth Henderson addressed the Council with a complaint of being charged a penalty for not getting a building permit before doing the construction at the Eagle's Nest on S. 1st Street. The Council agreed they could not deviate from the City Code for one person. She will have to pay the penalty.

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The City Clerk advised that the Special Census will start on December 2, 1997. Thirty Three applicants are needed for this project and it should take two weeks to complete.

Commissioner Aurand advised he feels that dumpsters left on the streets should have reflectors on them. The Clerk will contact Moring Disposal on this matter.

Mayor Barnes received a letter from Dan Pratt, TCI, in regard to franchise fees being included in the gross revenues. If this is done, the consumer will be charged the extra fee. The Council agreed to notify TCI to continue its exisiting method of franchise fee calculation and not to raise it to consumers.

Mayor Barnes asked if the City would like to participate in the purchase of a Bronze Maquette for \$200.00 for Representative Don Manzullo to present to Newt Gingrich. The Council denied the request.

There being no further business, Commissioner Aurand moved to adjourn, seconded by Gerald Medlar

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Suneson, Barnes. No nays.

Adjourn: 6:05 P.M.

Mayor James L. Barnes

Attest:

City Clerk Julienne R. Crowley

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Statue request

Adj