

COUNCIL MEETING
November 22, 1993

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday, November 22, 1993, 5:30 P.M.,
Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor James Barnes
Commissioner Robert Aurand
Commissioner Gerald Medlar
Commissioner John Priller
Commissioner Frank Svoboda

Council Absent: None

City Attorney Dave Smith
Chief of Police Thomas Miller
City Clerk Julianne Crowley

Mayor Barnes opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Priller moved that the minutes of the November 8, 1993
meeting be approved as recorded.
Seconded by Frank Svoboda.

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Priller, Svoboda, Barnes. No nays.

Commissioner Aurand moved that the payroll in the amount of \$20,192.58
and claims as listed be allowed:

AT&T, \$25.88
Beesing Welding, \$5.50
Beling Consultants, \$7,087.53
Steve Benesh & Sons, \$305.00
Byron Blacktop, \$175.00
Chemtron Corporation, \$414.00
Commonwealth Edison Company, \$4,308.82
Creative Printing, \$237.00
Dan's Goodyear, \$45.00
Eby Brown, \$35.16
E. D. Etnyre Company, \$50.00
Ehmens, \$1,314.79
The Feed Store, \$5.37
Great Lakes Airgas, \$39.93
Hoyle Road Equipment, \$437.00
Doris Kennay, \$146.28
Lake Air, \$155.54
Neil Minnis, \$58.24
Moehle, Smith & Nieman, \$1,318.64
Moring Disposal, Inc., \$21,931.05
National Police Supply, \$43.80
Neenah Foundry Company, \$58.01
Northern Illinois Gas, \$358.84
Ogle County Newspaper, \$226.59
J. H. Patterson, \$51.89
Pineway, \$63.48
Pitney Bowes, \$256.00
Positive Promotions, \$55.00
Postmaster, \$200.00
Radio Shack, \$37.31
Sauk Valley Radiologists, \$47.00
Sidener Supply Company, \$23.65
University of Illinois, \$260.00
WaterPro, \$126.61
West Side Tractor Sales, \$115.13
Willett, Hofmann & Associates, \$1,507.25
Julianne Crowley, \$1,369.50
Seconded by John Priller.

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Priller, Svoboda, Barnes. No nays.

Roll Call

Pledge of
Allegiance

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Payroll &
Warrants

Report

Bernie Klingenberg, representative of Willett, Hofmann and Associates, explained the proposal for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Bar Screen & Grit Removal problems. Klingenberg recommends a mechanical bar screen installation as outlined in their proposal for an estimated cost of \$124,000.00. As for the grit removal considerations, their proposal outlines the installation of new grit dewatering equipment for the estimated cost of \$152,000.00. However, Klingenberg recommends that the grit project could be avoided if the City changed their operation to allow the grit to be removed by the city street sweeper vacuum. He explained that if that is done in a timely manner, it would eliminate the cost of changing the grit system. The Council agreed to have a motion ready at the next meeting for the bar screen project but will review the grit proposal and recommendation.

Citizens
Complaints

Mr. Bergschmidt addressed the Council and asked if the First Street Project would affect his residence. The Council advised it would not go that far south. He also complained about the odor at the Disposal Plant.

Attorney Altamore, Suzie and Joe Alfano and Mr. Vecchio of Vecchio Sign Company were in attendance. Attorney Altamore addressed the Council in regard to two matters for Alfano.

First, the new sign at Alfano's which they received a letter on. Altamore advised he brought Mr. Vecchio, who installed the sign. Secondly he wanted to address the matter about the new liquor license application for the corporation. Mayor Barnes advised to take the sign issue first.

Mayor Barnes asked if he did receive a letter from the city attorney in regard to the sign. Altamore advised he did receive the letter. Commissioner Medlar advised that when the sign was submitted, the sign itself was very pretty but the location was put on public property which is the terrace and under our code the new signs cannot be put on public property and any existing signs on public property will have to be removed within a five year period.

This happened to be a new sign and that was the reason for the letter. Altamore advised that the information he has was Mr. Vecchio called Medlar's office and had a copy of the ordinance sent to him. Vecchio in turn sent a photo with a layout to Medlar. Medlar stated he didn't recall the layout but that Vecchio did tell him that he put it exactly over the old sign hole but this happens to be on public property and Medlar stated he was not aware of that at the time.

Altamore stated that Vecchio was not aware that that was a problem. That he intended to do the right thing. Altamore stated that they did not want to move the sign because they were led to believe by the City that it was okay to do that. Now Altamore is asking that the City give a variance or consider it under the grandfather clause. Mayor Barnes advised that Vecchio got a copy of the ordinance and it states in the ordinance that it cannot be placed on public property. Altamore asked what the City wanted them to do. Mayor Barnes advised for them to put it on their own property. Altamore stated they will make their decision and the City will either get an application for a variance within seven days or a letter stating their position.

Attorney Altamore stated that his impression on the liquor license application was that it was going to be scheduled for today. Altamore stated they wanted to proceed on it because they are interested in changing the entity of the restaurant. They wanted to go from individual ownership to corporate ownership. Altamore received notification from Attorney Smith that the City did not want to proceed on it today.

Altamore wants a disposition on it whether it is going to be approved. Mayor Barnes advised that the City was not going to consider it until the appeal has been finalized in Chicago. Altamore asked Attorney Smith whether they had a right to be heard on this application at this time or whether the City has a right to deny their request for a hearing on it. Attorney Smith advised that the liquor commissioner has authority in that regard and as he had explained to Altamore's office, that was the liquor commissioner's decision that no hearing would be held on the new application until the appeal was withdrawn or was heard on the existing application.

This application was not scheduled for today. The thirty days filing is completed on the submission of the application. But it is up to the liquor commissioner to make the determination when it will be heard. Attorney Smith advised Altamore's office of this twice. Altamore asked if he could get a letter from the commissioner stating that this matter will not be considered.

Altamore wants to be formally notified. Mayor Barnes advised he will give them a letter stating that the City will not even consider it until the appeal is over. The Council later decided to send Altamore a copy of the minutes in lieu of a letter after they are approved.

Commissioner Priller advised that there will be one more yard waste and brush pick up. It will be the first Monday in December.

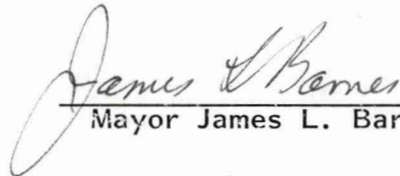
Attorney Smith explained an agreement he distributed to the Council in regard to snow removal at the Fairground Estates Subdivision. After reviewing the agreement, Commissioner Aurand moved to give the Mayor Authorization to sign the agreement with the agreed upon changes. Seconded by Gerald Medlar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Aurand, Medlar, Priller, Svoboda, Barnes. No nays.

Mayor Barnes advised he had looked at some of the building permits that have expired and building is still going on. The Clerk is to advise those people that the permit has expired and they must reapply.

There being no further business, Commissioner Aurand moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Gerald Medlar.

Adjourn: 6:25 P.M.



Mayor James L. Barnes

ATTEST:



Julianne R. Crowley, City Clerk

Reports

Agreement

Expired
Bldg. Permits

Adjournment
