

Monday, November 24, 1980  
Oregon, Illinois

The Council of the City of Oregon met in regular session Monday, November 24, 1980 at 7 P.M., City Hall Building.

Present: Honorable James Barnes, Mayor and Commissioners Robert Aurand, Norman Collins, James Ludwig and Frank Svoboda.

Also present: City Attorney David Smith, Chief of Police Robert Jones and City Clerk Julianne Crowley. Absent: None.

Mayor Barnes opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Collins moved that the minutes of the November 10, 1980 meeting be approved as recorded. Seconded by Frank Svoboda.

Said motion carried on roll call as follows: Ayes: Aurand, Barnes, Collins, Ludwig, Svoboda. No nays.

Commissioner Aurand moved that the pay roll in the amount of \$10,261.14 and claims as follow be allowed: James Barnes, Mayor, expenses attending Northern Illinois Mayor's Association meeting in DeKalb, \$50.00; Julianne Crowley, cash advanced, postage and water department maintenance material, \$11.12; Houghton Studio, city hall remodeling out of Rev. Sharing allotment, \$472.70; Aetna Life & Casualty, city's cost group insurance, \$955.61; Garard, Moehle & Smith, services rendered by Attorney Smith as city attorney for November, \$166.66; Northern Ill. Gas Company, gas service for street and disposal plant departments, \$413.79; Heico Inc., water department tool accessory, \$69.10; David Martin, water department contract labor, \$48.19; Allen Ebens, water department contract labor, \$90.00; Della Long, janitor service, \$20.00; Ogle County Treasurer, salt, street department, \$533.66; Oregon Paint and Wallpaper, street department street maintenance material, \$13.16; Shauer's Sporting Goods, batteries for police department, \$12.00; Guist Agency, additional premium on new ambulance, \$45.77; Madison Gun Shop, ammunition for police department, \$92.00; Republican Reporter, police department forms, \$278.50; Commonwealth Edison Company, power, traffic, street lighting, street garage, Mix Park, \$530.65; I.C. Webb, water department equipment maintenance material, \$156.12; McClure Engineering, engineering services, final payment parking lot, \$2,861.30; HUD Grant Application, \$453.00; Jenkins Cleaners, police department, winter parkas cleaned, \$10.00; Sterling Business Machines, office supplies, \$33.15; Rock Valley Disposal, disposal plant refuse, \$100.00; Harry Fletcher, mileage for water department school, \$36.00; Julianne Crowley, fees for certified death certificates, hunting and fishing license fees and registrar fees, \$613.88; Illinois Section IWWA, registration fee for water distribution system seminar for Harry Fletcher, \$9.00. Seconded by Norman Collins.

Said motion carried on roll call as follows: Ayes: Aurand, Barnes, Collins, Ludwig, Svoboda. No nays.

Commissioner Aurand, next on the agenda with a motion to act on the City of Oregon membership with the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association, read the following letter which was given to the City Clerk by Hollie Guist from Robert Schmitt, insurance consultant.  
November 24, 1980

Ms. Julianne Crowley  
City Hall  
115 North Third Street  
Oregon, Illinois

Re: Illinois Municipal League Insurance Program



Dear Julie:

Hollie Guist called me Friday to let me know that the city has elected to choose a wait-and-see attitude on the proposed insurance program from the Illinois Municipal League.

In my estimation, this was a very good decision on the part of the council. From information I have received and reviewed, the biggest question mark I had in my mind centered around the apparent inadequacy and accurateness of the loss information that went into the initial study. Since this information is used to determine ultimate cost of the program, all such loss data needs to be exact in order to project actual estimated costs of the program. I also did not like the idea of unlimited loss assessments by the program as these could come back to haunt the city for years to come. I know the program was changed from the original proposal, but the basic flaws still remain.

Ultimately, this program might become a good one as they are using claim personnel and safety personnel that I am acquainted with and have a high regard for. By waiting for at least two years and preferably three, it will be possible to evaluate much more easily if the program is practical, sound financially, and actually is a cost saving program. By then, coverage forms will be available which can be evaluated to determine that coverage is standard in relation to what is available through conventional insurance coverages.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Bob Schmitt  
Robert F. Schmitt  
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Hollie Guist expressed his disapproval of this ordinance.

Commissioner Aurand moved that Ordinance #842, entitled "Ordinance Approving Membership in the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association" filed and introduced for public inspection October 20, 1980 be passed. He further moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the intergovernmental cooperation contract and forward the first year contribution. Seconded by James Barnes.

Said motion carried on roll call as follows: Ayes: Aurand, Barnes, Collins, Ludwig, Svoboda. No nays.

Meeting adjourned to hold Public Hearing at 7:15 P.M. on Pre-application Grant for East Oregon. Copy of Public Hearing minutes in file, also on tape.

Meeting re-convened at 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Barnes moved that Ordinance #843, entitled "Locations to be Licensed" introduced and filed for public inspection November 10, 1980 be passed. Seconded by Frank Svoboda.

Said motion carried on roll call as follows: Ayes: Aurand, Barnes, Collins, Ludwig, Svoboda. No nays.

Commissioner Svoboda advised that Ordinance #844, amending and supplementing the City Zoning Ordinance, reduces the size required for single and multiple family dwellings.

Commissioner Svoboda moved that Ordinance #844, an Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Title 10, Chapters 1 & 3 entitled Zoning Definitions and Residential District be introduced and filed for public inspection. Seconded by James Ludwig.

Said motion carried on roll call as follows: Ayes: Aurand, Barnes, Collins, Ludwig, Svoboda. No nays.

Gary Heimstead and Rod Daniels addressed the council requesting a street light be put on the north edge of Rock Valley Cablevision, 13th Street, where there is already a pole. Also they



requested a load of gravel be put on the road. The council approved the request.

Mrs. Rose Jones advised the council that she had checked into the possibility of running a sewer line from her property on Webster to 6th St., which she could do but it would be expensive. She is going to talk to the other property owners, who are also having sewer problems and see if they can come up with a solution.

Dennis McMullen, representative of McClure Engineering, gave the council a progress report on the water-sewer rate study. Also discussed proceeding with the new well.

Chief Jones advised the council the police had a tavern check November 21st. The Tradewinds Tavern was in violation, allowing two minors to remain on the premises. The council agreed to hold a public hearing for this violation on December 8, 1980 at 7 P.M.

Commissioner Ludwig requested permission from the council to have Benesh & Bruns dig out the beaver dams from Gale Creek. He has an estimate of \$500-\$650 for the job. The council advised Ludwig to get a firm bid and check with Conservation Department to obtain the legality of taking the dam out.

Mayor Barnes advised the council he had received the following letter from EPA:  
November 18, 1980

Honorable James Barnes  
Mayor, City of Oregon  
115 N. Third Street  
Oregon, Illinois 61061

Subject: Treatment Works Grant  
Step 1, C171818-01

Dear Mayor Barnes:

This is to acknowledge your request for payment in the subject project in the amount of \$5,882. Inasmuch as action pertaining to Grant Conditions No. 3 (Environmental Inventory), No. 4 (Mid-Course Meeting) and No. 5 (Public Participation Work Plan) have not been completed, we are withholding payment.

We are hereby returning your SF 271 Payment Request. When the grant conditions have been satisfied, please resubmit your payment request.

If you have any questions concerning the above information, please contact Mr. Ron Drainer of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in Springfield.

Very truly yours,  
/s/ Thomas L. Smith  
Thomas L. Smith, Chief  
Illinois Section  
Facilities Planning Branch  
Enclosure  
cc: IEPA  
Fehr, Graham & Assoc.

The council decided to have Fehr-Graham Associates Representative Quentin Davis attend the December 22nd meeting to discuss what procedure to follow to obtain the requested payment.

Commissioner Aurand advised the council of the Oregon Park District park lease proposal. The council agreed to advise the Park District Board they would meet with them at either their regular meeting or the regular city council meeting to discuss the lease.

Commissioner Svoboda advised the council he had talked to Dale Collins, South Fourth Street, reference a trailer parked in his yard and being used. It is against city regulations to hook

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a trailer up inside the city limits. Svoboda advised that the trailer was going to be used until right after Christmas. The council agreed that the trailer cannot be used even temporarily and that a letter be sent advising Collins to correct the violation immediately.

Attorney Smith advised the council that snowmobiles cannot cross the Route 64 bridge. Snowmobiles may not be run on a state highway.

Mayor Barnes advised the council that the Plan Commission, at their meeting November 17th, agreed to changing the house numbers on Mix Street to correspond with the rest of the city house numbering and recommends to the council that letters be sent out to residents affected that the change would become effective January , 1982. The council agreed to this recommendation.

Mayor Barnes asked Attorney Smith if there would be any objection to putting the library parking signs in front of the library with a time limit on them instead of in the parking lot to the rear as was agreed upon, just as long as they had two parking spaces. Attorney Smith advised he could see no objection as long as the library got the spaces. The Council agreed to this arrangement.

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

Said motion carried on roll call as follows: Ayes: Aurand, Barnes, Collins, Ludwig, Svoboda. No nays.

Adjourn: 10:15 P.M.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK