

COUNCIL MEETING
Monday December 15, 2008
City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday December 15, 2008, 7:00 P.M.
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Present: Mayor Thomas R. Stone, Sr.
Commissioner Jim Lauer
Commissioner Tom Miller
Commissioner Bob Rees
Commissioner Ken Williams
City Clerk Charlene Ruthe
Chief Darin DeHaan
Attorney Bill Fearer

Commissioner Jim Lauer started the pledge of allegiance.

Maynard Crossland and Cory Jobe, Representatives from Peoples Development Corporation, spoke on how their organization could help market the downtown and help the building owners find funding to revamp their businesses. They would conduct a building by building analysis within the historic district, meet with each individual owner, establish a mission for the district, and help the owners apply for tax credits and funding.

Peoples Dev
Group

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve the consulting contract with Peoples Economic Development Corporation to not exceed \$34,500.00, with four installments of \$6,250.00 as the work is completed the funds will be coming out of Economic Development, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Approved
Peoples Ec
Dev contract

Roll Call: Lauer, Miller, Rees, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to approve the November 24, 2008 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Approved
minutes

Roll Call: Lauer, Miller, Rees, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve the payroll in the amount of \$36,025.24 and claims as listed:

Payroll/Claims

Amcore Bank, \$1,096.09
Assurant, \$148.00
AT&T, \$318.87
Basler's, \$316.18
Beeing Welding, \$3,993.48
Bemis Motors, \$577.00
Brian Hermes, \$3,935.00
Cardinal Class Co., \$160.82
Casper Manheim, \$324.00
Casper Manheim, \$1,786.87
CMS, \$19,384.00
Comcast, \$148.58
Dynamic Horizons, \$2,652.99
Ehmen, \$129.50
Emmalyn Spickler, \$280.00
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Engel Electric, \$2,348.44
Fearer & Nye, \$333.33
Fischer's, \$257.72
Galls, \$65.98
Haines & Co., \$254.50
ILEAS, \$175.00
MDES, \$5,049.50
Moring Disposal, \$13,605.00
Morton Salt, \$2,447.10
Municipal Clerks of Ill., \$45.00

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NAPA, \$341.88
Northern Water Works, \$2,085.00
Northwest Ill. Construction Co., \$51,124.40
Peters GMC Truck Sales, \$160.40
Pines Meadow, \$389.45
Polo Cooperative Assoc., \$3,082.81
Ray O'Herron Co., Inc., \$403.65
Robert Leddy, Jr., \$20.00
Rockford Industrial Welding Supply, \$215.09
Stillman Banc Corp., \$2,405.34
University of Illinois, \$240.00
Verdin Co., \$520.00
Verizon, \$1,304.82
Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

Claims

Roll Call: Lauer, Miller, Rees, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Tom Miller moved to approve the Raffle License for the Oregon VFW Post, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Raffle License
VFW

Roll Call: Lauer, Miller, Rees, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Chief Darin DeHaan had a request for a few of his Police Officers that would like to hold over unused vacation time. This will be on the next agenda for a vote.

Chief's report

Commissioner Ken Williams is putting together a six month review of the finances.

Commissioner
reports

Commissioner Bob Rees announced that MDES took over the water and sewer department responsibilities November 30th.

Mayor Tom Stone wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Bob Rees moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

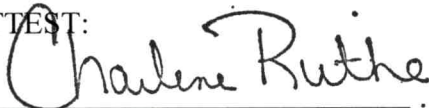
Adjourn

Roll Call: Lauer, Miller, Rees, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Adjourn: 7:40 P.M.



Thomas R. Stone, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:


Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk