

COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday February 12, 2013
City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday February 12, 2013, 5:30 P.M. City Hall Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Thomas R. Stone, Sr.
Commissioner Thomas Izer
Commissioner Tom Miller
Commissioner Patrick Wiesner
Commissioner Ken Williams
City Clerk Charlene Ruthe
Sgt. Randy Cropp
City Attorney Paul Chadwick

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Attorney Paul Chadwick started the pledge of allegiance.

A Public Hearing was held to provide information and gain feedback on the creation of the Capital Improvement Plan and Economic Development Plan. The Public Hearing was opened by Sharon Pepin of Community Funding & Planning Services. The City was awarded a Flexible Opportunity Grant in the amount of \$75,000.00. The grant contract started November 1, 2010 and ended June 30, 2012. There were two modifications made to the grant: one changed the scope of work to be completed from Peoples Economic Development Corporation, to Walter Wayne Group and Community Funding & Planning Services; the second was to extend the grant ending date to December 31, 2012. Both modifications were approved by DECO. The estimated project budget was \$156,250.00. Total project costs were \$121,921.19, with the City contributing \$46,921.19. With no questions being asked the Public Hearing was closed.

Lant Huntley, owner of Huntley Woods, spoke regarding the Emerald Ash Bore Trees. As of right now it is not in the Oregon area that we know of, however was discovered in Dixon and Davis Junction. Sauk Valley College is having an upcoming class and wanted to know if the Street Superintendent would want to attend.

Betty Croft addressed the Council with concerns of the empty store front in the downtown area. She wants to know if the city has a list of the empty buildings and what their plans are to move forward.

Commissioner Patrick Wiesner moved to approve the January 22, 2013 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Roll Call: Izer, Miller, Wiesner, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve payroll totaling \$42,165.19 and warrants as listed:
A-Fire Extinguisher Sales & Service, \$83.00

All Contractors Equipment, Inc., \$116.00
Arshem Data, \$750.00
Assurant, \$138.75
AT&T, \$295.91
Basler's, \$944.55
Beeing Welding, \$656.91
Butitta Bros., \$1,577.31
Byron Bank, \$471.78
Byron Bank, \$23.28
Casper's Home Inspection, LLC, \$225.00
Casper's Home Inspection, LLC, \$880.00
Central Management Services, \$26,840.00
Charlene Ruthe, \$40.00
City of Dixon, \$135.00
City of Oregon, \$13,000.00
City of Oregon, \$2,325.00
City of Oregon, \$48,900.00
Comcast, \$118.63
Constellation New Energy, Inc., \$412.42
Ecolab, \$125.50
Ehmen, \$1,607.60
Emmalyn Spickler, \$120.00
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Fearer & Nye, \$1,033.33
Ferguson Waterworks, \$10,060.04
Frontier, \$1,475.53
Fyr-Fyter, Inc., \$552.30
Hach, \$164.96
Hometown Auto Repair, LLC, \$362.29
Il. Inst. For Rural Affairs, \$165.00
Integrity, \$43.95
James Taylor, \$280.00
Jeff Pennington, \$285.94
Julie, Inc., \$817.27
Markowitz, Herold, Glade & Mehlhaf, PC, \$4,936.10
Matt Schnorr, \$73.63
Mike Bowers, \$29.99
Mike Bowers, \$53.41
Mike Bowers, \$131.11
Moring Disposal, \$13,390.00
Motorola-Starcom21 Network, \$2,880.00
NICIL, \$25.00
Nu-Trend Accessibility Systems, Inc., \$1,377.00
NW Illinois Law Enforcement Executives Assoc., \$25.00
Ogle County Car Care, Inc., \$724.45
Ogle County Clerk & Recorder, \$62.00
Ogle County DUI Fund, \$200.00
Ogle County Health Department, \$187.50
Oregon Snyder, \$21.44

Oregon Super Valu, \$84.50
Petty Cash, \$189.33
Postmaster, \$527.36
Quill, \$76.97
Reno & Zahm LLP, \$3,708.75
SBM, \$65.00
Steve Benesh & Sons, \$265.29
Suburban Laboratories, Inc., \$51.00
Traffic Control & Protection, Inc., \$143.98
Willett, Hofmann, & Assoc., \$250.00
Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

Roll Call: Izer, Miller, Wiesner, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve Ordinance #2013-103 an Ordinance authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds (alternate Revenue Source) Series 2013 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for the purpose of financing and refinancing the acquisition construction & installation of certain sewer repairs, rehabilitation and improvements and sewerage system replacements, and related facilities improvements, refunding outstanding IEPA loans of the City and paying for costs related thereto, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

Roll Call: Izer, Miller, Wiesner, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Cory Buck, of Willett, Hofmann & Assoc., spoke regarding the evaluation of the influent lift station, fine screen issues, and sludge needs for the wastewater treatment plant. The recommendation is to remove three submersible pumps from the lift station, installing a basin pump and new slab in the wet well. Also modifications are needed to the influent channel where the existing fine screen is located and the drying beds are producing more sludge than they can hold. A new disaster/storage tank is needed along with some existing facilities at the treatment plant that will provide the digestion and sludge storage needed.

Commissioner Patrick Wiesner moved to approve the Waste Water Treatment Plant \$1.1 million Capital Improvement Project, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Roll Call: Izer, Miller, Wiesner, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Discussion: Commissioner Ken Williams questioned if the Treatment Plant amount should be increased to \$1.3 million

Commissioner Patrick Wiesner moved to amend the previous motion that the Waste Water Treatment Plant Capital Improvement Project amount be changed to \$1.3 million, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Roll Call: Izer, Miller, Wiesner, Williams, Stone. No Nays

Commissioner Patrick Wiesner moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Roll Call: Izer, Miller, Wiesner, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Adjourn: 6:05 P.M.

Tom R. Stone, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk