

COUNCIL MEETING
February 22, 1993

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

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

Roll Call

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.

Pledge of
Allegiance

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

Min. 2/8/93

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

Commissioner Aurand moved that the payroll in the amount of \$18,195.23
and claims as listed be allowed:

Payroll And
Warrants

Julianne Crowley, Petty Cash, \$106.62
AT&T, \$33.57
Beesing Welding & Equipment Repair, \$49.50
Beling Consultants, Inc., \$300.00
Bennett Welding Supply, \$13.95
Big John, \$60.00
Bruce Municipal Equipment, Inc., \$60.89
Commonwealth Edison, \$4,411.65
Eby-Brown Company, \$97.41
Ehmen Industries, \$79.40
Hinshaw & Culbertson, \$25.00
LETN Law Enforcement Television Network, \$798.00
Marv's Backhoe & Trenching, \$300.00
Moehle, Smith & Nieman, \$1,098.00
Morton International Morton Salt, \$1,295.00
NET National Env. Testing, Inc., \$224.00
Neenah Foundry Company, \$4,593.73
Northern Illinois Gas Company, \$268.25
Oregon Express Lane, \$4.29
J. H. Patterson Company, \$104.41
Postmaster, \$75.00
Radio Shack, \$13.95
State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor, \$15.00
Thompson Publishing Group, \$216.00
Utility Equipment Company, \$317.82
Warm Air Supply, \$56.97
Water Pro, \$259.07
Zimmerman Construction, \$132.00
Steve's Body Shop, \$1,274.70
James Barnes, \$56.06
Seconded by John Priller.

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

Mayor Barnes moved that Resolution #534 be passed.
Seconded by Robert Aurand.

Resolution
No. 534

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

Commissioner Priller moved that the City be their own sidewalk work
contractor for 1993.
Seconded by Gerald Medlar.

Sidewalk
Contractor

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

Commissioner Svoboda moved that the City accept the proposal of Wolber & Sons Excavating for the demolition, removal and site clean up of the building at 412 South Tenth Street for the amount of \$2,900.00, the proper low bid. Seconded by Gerald Medlar.

Award
Contract

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

Commissioner Svoboda moved that an adjustment in the sewer charge only be made for Pineway supermarket for all billing periods in 1992 and 1993. A substantial portion of the food cooling equipment at the store is water cooled. Because previous commercial water rates were so low, the property owner and tenant determined it was less expensive to use substantial amounts of city water rather than adequately maintain or replace such equipment. Little of the cooling water enters the city sewerage system. Most all of this water is either recirculated or allowed to run on the ground with other surface drainage water. The tenant, Dan Dunlap, has now purchased the grocery store and intends to change the cooling arrangements to eliminate the high water usage. Because this matter is of temporary nature, the water was not being discharged in the sewerage system and difficulty of upgrading the cooling system under the former landlord-tenant arrangement, I move that the sewer charge for Pineway Supermarket be temporarily calculated as follows:

Sewer Rate
Adjustment

1. Bill at the new sewer rate. 2. Subtract the old flat rate from the amount calculated under the new rate and compute 40% of the difference. 3. Add the amount from 2. above to the old flat rate to determine the total sewer charge per billable period. This adjustment shall be retroactive to the date the sewer rates first changed and shall continue for any billing period totally within 1993. Commencing with the first billing period after 1993, the total waste water service charge will be calculated without adjustment. Seconded by Gerald Medlar.

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

Mayor Barnes moved that Ordinance #1034 - Street Vendors - be passed. Seconded by Frank Svoboda.

Ord. #1034

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

The Council approved the recommendation to issue a raffle license to Village of Progress Booster Club.

Raffle License

Commissioner Aurand questioned the form from the Federal Regulatory Commission in regard to the permit issued for the hydro-power. Attorney Smith is going to write to find out about the Rankin application, since the new permit is issued to someone else.

Reports

Commissioner Aurand asked what was going to be done about the public buildings water rates. The ordinance will be put on for the next meeting. Aurand advised that he would prefer not to see the gradual increases up to the 100% based solely on the cooperation that the City gets from the other governmental units. Attorney Smith advised there were two reasons for the gradual increase to 100%. First, it was the engineer's recommendation that in order to put the City in line for any state of federal grants that might be available needed to have a rate that was showing fair and similar treatment to similar entities and they advised that commercial and governmental bodies should be treated the same. The other reason was because at least two of the governmental units that Svoboda talked to said they were not objecting to the increase as long as they knew in advance for budgeting purposes. It was because of those two reasons that the ordinance was drawn to gradually eliminate the difference in charging for government units as opposed to commercial. Aurand advised that if the Council agrees to the gradual increase, he would like to compromise on a 10% increase each time, instead of the proposed 40%, 60%, 80% increase.

Commissioner Aurand advised he would like to see everyone have to recycle, such as commercial and apartments.

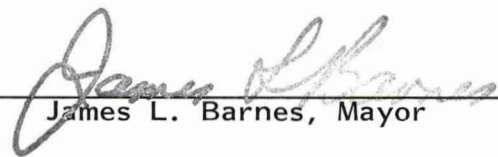
Mayor Barnes questioned if the City needed to advertise for bids to start on the retention pond at the Fairground property or should the City go ahead and hire Martin, since they have given the City a price and are already hired for putting in the storm drain. Aurand advised to get a figure from Martin and from the engineer to see how long it should take.

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

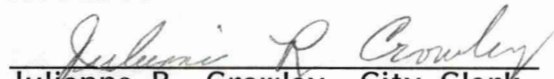
Adjournment

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

Adjourn: 6:25 P.M.


James L. Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:


Julianne R. Crowley, City Clerk