

COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2003

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday February 24, 2003, 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Mike Arians
Commissioner Tom Izer
Commissioner Gerald Medlar
Commissioner Bob Rees
Commissioner Tom Stone
City Clerk Charlene Ruthe
Attorney Wendy Howarter
Chief Thomas Miller

Wendy Howarter started the pledge.

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve the February 10, 2003 minutes,
Seconded by Commissioner Gerald Medlar.

Approve
minutes

Roll Call: Izer, Medlar, Rees, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved that the payroll in the amount of \$21,131.98
and claims listed be allowed:

payroll/claims

BC Energy & Service Co., \$309.26
Beesing Welding, \$155.45
Bemis Motors, \$78.79
Blackhawk Lumber, \$31.61
Blackhawk Lumber, \$765.11
Richard Bocker, \$335.00
Mike Bowers, \$79.53
Brains Unlimited, \$138.45
ComEd, \$4,071.94
Dynamic Horizons Computer Service, \$75.00
EMC, \$752.98
Ehmen, \$1,250.00
Ehmen, \$574.40
Gall's, Inc., \$252.94
Helsley Supply Co., \$297.82
Ill. Inst. For Rural Affairs, \$125.00
Ray O' Herron Co., Inc., \$51.41
Sam's Club, \$671.00
Emmy Spickler, \$120.00
Standard Equipment Co., \$56.59
Team Laboratory Chemical Corp., \$37.57
US Cellular, \$40.66
Verizon, \$38.84
Verizon Wireless, \$419.00
Michael Withers, \$430.00
Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Roll Call: Izer, Medlar, Rees, Stone. No Nays.

Mike Burris from CMT had a letter explaining that the City of Oregon has two
options on pay backing \$19,000.00 dollars that is owed on the Storm Sewer
Project. Option one is to add it to the loan, which the paper work could take up to
two months or option two just to pay the money out of another fund. Commissioner
Bob Rees moved to take option two and pay it out of the storm sewer money we
have been transferring each month to help pay for the loan, Seconded by
Commissioner Gerald Medlar.

Storm Sewer
Project
Option#2

Roll Call: Izer, Medlar, Rees, Stone. No Nays.

Josh Moore explained to the council the problems that have occurred at the lift
station on Tenth Street. He also handed out a letter from Mississippi Pump

Lift station
problems
discussed

explaining what damage was done to the lift station. Commissioner Bob Rees stated that the party was informed two years to install a trap. Wendy will be sending the party involved a letter stating that they need to put in a trap which will prevent this damage from occurring again.

Scott Stephens an agent from State Farm Insurance donated \$100.00 dollars to the K-9 unit. The council thanked him for his donation. That bring the total today to \$300.00 in donations.

Commissioner Tom Stone stated that the parking areas between the churches on Jefferson Street between 5th and 6th Street and the parking by the Catholic Church on Monroe Street will be changed back to diagonal parking sometime this spring or summer.

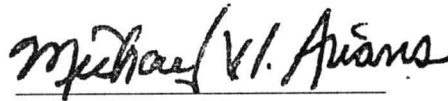
The City Clerk announced she will be attending the Ill. Institute for Rural Affairs in Peoria on March 12th and 13th.

Mayor Mike Arians wanted to clarify recent discussions about putting a limit on citizens speaking at a council meeting. They have three minutes initially and then the council can ask questions. After that they have another three minutes. He stated that citizens can sign up to speak the night of the meeting.

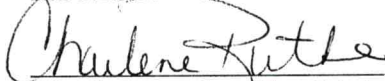
Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Roll Call: Izer, Medlar, Rees, Stone. No Nays.

7:15 P.M.


Mike Arians, Mayor

ATTEST:


Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk

199
Con't
10th Street
Lift Station

Donated 100.00
K-9 Dog

Parking by
churches

City Clerk
Ill. Institute
Rural Affairs

Three minute
limit on citizen
speaking at
a meeting

adjourn