

COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 13, 2000

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday March 13, 2000, 7:00 P.M. Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Mike Arians
 Commissioner Jim Lauer
 Commissioner Gerald Medlar
 Commissioner Tom Stone
 Commissioner Amy Trimble
 Attorney Wendy Howarter
 Chief Thomas Miller
 City Clerk Charlene Ruthe

Mayor Mike Arians called the meeting to order.

Gerald Medlar started the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve the February 28, 2000 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Amy Trimble.

Approve
Minutes

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved that the payroll in the amount of \$20,712.02 and claims allowed:

Claims

AT&T, \$65.12
 Basler's, \$138.53
 BC Energy & Service Co., \$1,697.48
 Bemis Motor Co., \$20.03
 Central Management Services, \$11,330.00
 ComEd, \$5,692.13
 Diversified Code & Inspection, \$956.25
 Dixon Ottawa Communications, \$408.00
 Ehmen, \$136.70
 EMC, \$24,561.91
 Fischer's, \$71.17
 Fortis Insurance, \$75.00
 Fyr-Fyter, Inc., \$22.50
 Gall's, \$7.00
 GTE North, \$717.52
 GTE Wireless, \$59.79
 Illinois Municipal League Risk Management, \$1,000.00
 M&M Supermarket, \$42.96
 Moring Disposal, \$9,334.00
 Morton Salt, \$812.59
 NAPA, \$285.24
 Ogle County Life, \$189.00
 Ogle County Newspaper, \$86.80
 Oregon Super Valu, \$104.72
 RCHA Answering Service, \$196.85
 Sauk Valley Newspaper, \$214.71
 West Group, \$323.71
 Willett, Hofmann & Assoc., \$13,680.00
 Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

Commissioner Amy Trimble moved to approve the Plan Commission recommendation to change sign Ordinance section 3-59, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.

Plan Comm Re
Sign Ord 3-59

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

The Council referred the Plan Commission recommendation to vacate the land on Hill Street back to them for further discussion and research.

Corporal Darin DeHaan gave a presentation on bulletproof vests. There is a grant available that could cover fifty (50) percent of the total cost of the vests. The deadline for the grant application is May 13, 2000. It would take approximately ten days for the grant approval. If the City would purchase eight vests the cost after the grant money would be about \$3,400.00 dollars. Commissioner Tom Stone moved for Darin to go ahead and fill out the application, Seconded by Commissioner Amy Trimble.

Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

Robin Minnis, who is running for Ogle County States Attorney introduced herself to the Council.

Donna Mann let the Council know the newsletter will be mailed tomorrow. She also had a letter from Project Oregon asking if the Council would proclaim April 24th thur 30th as "Oregon Image" week. Hoping this would encourage everyone to clean up their property and beautify the city.

Donna Mann recommended the following representatives to the Oregon Economic Development team: Mayor Mike Arians-Oregon City Council, Ron Colson-Plan Commission, Brian Marinelli-Oregon Chamber of Commerce, Don Urech-Ogle Co. Community Development Corp., Donna Mann-Project Oregon, and Oregon Development Assoc. has not yet named their team member. Things that were discussed at the first meeting were helping the existing business owners that are presently in Oregon, developing land for new development in the area, and getting the City on the Internet for e-mail accessibility. This team would like to have two different breakfasts one for major employers and the other for small business owners so that they can express their needs and concerns. The total cost for the City to host these two meeting would be around \$600.00. The consensus of the Council was to go ahead and plan both meetings and not to exceed \$600.00 dollars.

John Hawkins had some concerns with the City web page. It sounded like he was bringing up the first working copy and not the web page that is up and running at www.oregonil.com.

Commissioner Jim Lauer met with the Coliseum Board on remodeling the upstairs of the Coliseum building. The remodeling would involve painting, carpet, fixing a wall, and new lighting. A contract has looked at the job and will be submitting an estimate to the board.

Commissioner Tom Stone announced that the street department will not be seal coating until they find out what streets will be affected by the storm sewer project.

Commissioner Amy Trimble had a call regarding having a car tent sale at Ace Hardware on March 23-25th. The vehicles would be from Ken Nelson in Dixon. The consensus of the Council was to deny them coming to Oregon.

Commissioner Amy Trimble wanted to know if anything more was being done with the Street Lighting Program. Mike Bowers is going to check and see if Willett Hofmann & Assoc. have information in the storm sewer project that might help in locating the area downtown. Also Commissioner Jim Lauer suggested that the city get an estimate on fixing the existing light poles that are already in place. The Mayor suggested the City check with the people that donated money toward a new light and see how they feel about fixing the existing poles.

Chief Tom Miller checked into a program that would help pay for a defibrillator. He would like the City to purchase one for the police to have in the squad car. The cost to the city would be about \$800.00 dollars. The consensus of the council was for Chief Miller to move forward with the program.

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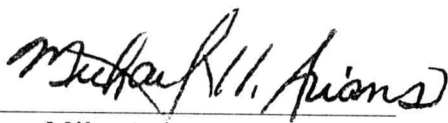
Defibrillator

Attorney Wendy Howarter handed out an ordinance that she has put together for the Council to look over regarding all-terrain vehicles.

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Amy Trimble.

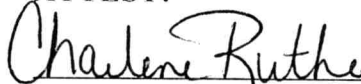
Roll Call: Lauer, Medlar, Stone, Trimble. No Nays.

Adjourn: 8:10 P.M



Mayor Mike Arians

ATTEST:



City Clerk Charlene Ruthe

Ord. All-
terrain vehicle

Adjourn