

COUNCIL MEETING
Monday March 14 2011
City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday March 14, 2011, 7:00 P.M. City Hall Council Chambers.

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
City Attorney Paul Chadwick

Commissioner Bob Rees started the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor, Tom Stone, presented Paul Dempsey from Exelon a plaque in appreciation for all they do for the community.

Plaque
Exelon

Ernie Larson, who resides at 207 Jones Terrace, is concerned about the traffic being rerouted to River Road while Route 2 is shut down for construction. He feels that people will be using Jones Terrace to beat the traffic being stopped at Rt 64 and River Road. Commissioner Jim Lauer stated that a temporary stop light is going to be put up at the intersection of River Road and Daysville Road.

Citizen Concern

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to approve the February 28, 2011 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 \$33,691.67 and warrants as listed:

Payroll/Claims

AT&T, \$299.64
Basler's, \$167.45
Beesing Welding, \$34.80
Bemis Motors, \$744.17
Bemis Motors, \$33.31
Bonnell Industries, \$133.26
Casper Manheim, \$56.25
Casper Manheim, \$640.00
CMS, \$22,601.00
Cintas, \$148.25
City of Oregon, \$48,900.00
CMT, \$2,534.50
CMT, \$17,391.39
Comcast, \$103.45
Dynamic Horizons Computer Services, \$325.00
Ecolab, \$112.50
Emmalyn Spickler, \$120.00
Exelon Energy Company, \$3,484.45
Fearer & Nye, \$333.33
Fischer's, \$82.41
Frontier, \$774.72
Grainger, \$78.18
James Taylor, \$920.00
MDES, \$26353.83
Motorola, \$840.00
Municipal Clerks of Illinois, \$60.00
NAPA, \$157.52
Oregon Super Valu, \$33.86
Polo Cooperative Assoc., \$4,928.48
Quality Co Midwest, \$245.48
Quartermaster, \$138.20

Quill, \$191.17
SBM, \$54.00
Village of Progress, \$240.00
Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

Claims

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

Chief Darin DeHaan had pictures of Officer Joe Brooks and Oz when they visited the Pre-School children at the Oregon Park District.

Pictures of Oz
& Officer Brooks

Commissioner Ken Williams handed out a report on the city finances for the fiscal year ending May 1, 2011. The City is in great financial condition. While other communities have huge deficits we continue to carry a balanced operating budget thanks to the difficult decisions made by this council.

City
Finances

Commissioner Bob Rees handed out the monthly report from MDES.

Monthly
report

Commissioner Jim Lauer announced that citizens can rake the gravel into the street that has collected on the terrace during the winter months. The street sweeper will pick up when cleaning the streets.

Gravel on
terrace

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Exe Session

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

Commissioner Bob Rees moved to reconvene to regular session, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Regular
Session

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

Commissioner Bob Rees announced that because of the high fee, the City of Oregon Water and Wastewater Department can no longer afford the services provided by Municipal Design and Environmental Services. For that reason Commissioner Bob Rees moved that the City terminate the contract with Municipal Design and Environmental Services to manage the Water and Wastewater department in accordance with the sixty day notice stated in the contract, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Terminate
contract with
MDES to
manage W/S
Dept.

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

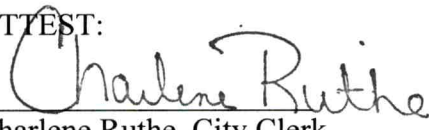
Commissioner Bob Rees moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Adjourn

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

Adjourn: 7:35 P.M.

ATTEST:


Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk


Thomas R. Stone, Sr., Mayor