

COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 26, 2001

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday March 26, 2001, 7:00 P.M. Council Chambers

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

Jim Lauer started the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve the March 12, 2001 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Amy Trimble.

Approve minutes

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

Commissioner Amy Trimble moved that the payroll in the amount of \$19,250.43 and claims listed be allowed:

Payroll & claims

Bruce Harris & Assoc., \$182.00
 Chana Saw & Stove, \$75.50
 ComEd, \$2,498.24
 Dan's Goodyear, \$41.00
 Ehmen, \$219.30
 Fischer's, \$146.16
 KBS Corp. Health Service, \$26.00
 Kansas State Bank, \$638.70
 L&K Electronics, \$65.50
 Tom Miller, \$252.00
 Morton Salt, \$5,163.02
 Notary Public Assoc., \$41.00
 Petty Cash, \$131.85
 Postmaster, \$318.60
 Prentice Hall Direct, \$44.56
 Quill, \$110.22
 R.S. Sew-n-Vac, \$109.99
 Ray O'Herron, \$42.01
 US Cellular, \$191.85
 Verizon Wireless, \$56.67
 Williams & McCarthy, \$608.33
 Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

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

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to pass Resolution No. 622 a Resolution amending the rate of pay for overtime according to the fair labor act and holiday pay, Seconded by Commissioner Amy Trimble.

Res#622
 Amending OT pay

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

Commissioner Tom Stone moved for the City to be it's own contractor for the 2001 sidewalk program, Seconded by Commissioner Amy Trimble.

Motion for the City to be it's own sidewalk contractor

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

Mayor Mike Arians informed everyone that a letter was sent to the Oregon Bowl to address the situation that was discussed at the that council meeting.

Mayor report

Chief Miller announced that the police department has been tagging inoperable vehicles.

Chief's report

Amy Trimble has received an application for the grant program from ComEd regarding funding for the Comprehensive Plan. The amount available is about \$5,000.00. Amy will complete and mail the application. Also there could possibly be some other grant money available for the Comprehensive Plan.

Comm. report

grant money
available for
Comp. Plan

Commissioner Tom Stone would like to see something done to the downtown building in the commercial district. Some of the buildings have windows broken out and other things that need to be repaired. A list will be given to the City Clerk of buildings that need repairs done before the tourism season is under way. Then a letter will be sent to the owners asking if they would take care of the broken windows and whatever other repairs that would be necessary.

Comm. report
downtown bldg

Commissioner Tom Stone announced that citizens have been raking leaves in the streets. He asked that citizens not do this and a brush and yard waste schedule will be published in the newspaper. The first pickup will be April 9, 2001.

Brush & yard
waste

Wendy Howarter attended the Illinois Municipal League attorney's seminar last Friday.

Commissioner Jim Lauer announced that the pre construction meeting with Rockford Blacktop would be Friday March 30, 2001 at 11:00 A.M. in the Council Chambers.

pre construction
mtg

The City Clerk is working with the Clerk from Polo to try and get the ordinances on the city web page so that citizens would be able to pull them up on their computer.

Clerk report

The City Clerk let the council know she has had complains about citizens burning leaves and letting them smolder. The Mayor asked if she would put a burning leaf ordinance together to discuss at the next council meeting.

leaf burning

The Mayor met with the engineers from Willett Hofmann & Assoc. to look at the depot and coliseum buildings to see what repairs need to be done. The roof at the depot is leaking and is in need of repair. Jim Lauer is going to have someone take a look at it to see if they can stop it from leaking.

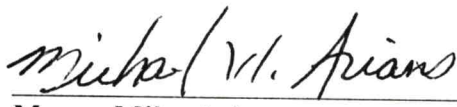
Mayor report

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to adjourn, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

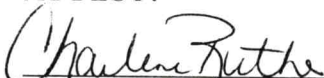
adjourn

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

7:35 P.M


Mayor Mike Arians

ATTEST:


City Clerk Charlene Ruthe