## COUNCIL MEETING Monday March 9, 2009 City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday March 9, 2009, 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 Attorney Paul Chadwick

Boy Scout Troop #52 started the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to approve the February 23, 2009 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

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

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve the payroll in the amount of \$33,218.85 and claims as listed:

Assurant Employee Benefits, \$148.00

Basler's, \$381.35

Bemis Motors, \$82.20

Bonnell Industries, \$76.00

Byron Bank, \$352.63

Casper Manheim, \$110.00

Casper Manheim, \$206.25

CMT, \$2,593.90

ComEd, \$1,516.65

Ecolab, \$109.00

Ehmen, \$967.50

Emmalyn Spickler, \$280.00

Guist Agency, \$264.00

Illinois Municipal League, \$20.00

MidAmerican Energy Co., \$9,141.45

NW Illinois Construction Co., \$9,971.19

Postmaster, \$438.48

Purchase Power, \$53.82

Rockford Industrial Welding Supply, \$53.16

Roland Machinery Exchange, \$92.02

SBM, \$47.93

Steve Benesh & Sons, \$1,120.00

Verizon, \$913.95

Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

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

Commissioner Ken Williams announced that the budget for next fiscal year is being worked on.

Commissioner Bob Rees had pictures of the new skid loader purchased jointly by the Street Department and Water/Sewer Department.

Commissioner Jim Lauer announced that the clean up of the downtown snow removal was down by thirty percent from the previous year.

Mayor Tom Stone reminded everyone of the meeting Thursday night March 12, 2009 from 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Coliseum. Peoples Economic Group has invited the businesses in the downtown area to discuss a vision and mission for the historic downtown district.

Approved minutes

Payroll/Claims

Commissioners reports

Peoples Ec Meeting 3/12/09 The Mayor also reminded citizens not to rake their leaves and yard waste in the street. Denny Pate of Moring Disposal contacted the City Clerk to see if the city would be willing to pick up yard waste ever other week. The Council was not for this and asked the clerk to check the contract.

Commissioner Bob Rees moved to go into executive session to discuss possible lease of city property, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

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

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to reconvene to regular session, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

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

Boy Scout Troop #52 asked questions on how city government runs and how things are enforced. Mayor Tom Stone thanked them for attending the meeting.

Thomas R. Stone, Sr., Mayor

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

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

Adjourn: 7:45 P.M.

ATTEST:

Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk

Yard Waste discussed

Exe Session

Regular session

Troop#52

Adjourn