COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 22, 2002

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday April 22, 2002, 7:00 P.M. Council Chambers.

Present:

Mayor Mike Arians

Commissioner Tom Izer Commissioner Gerald Medlar Commissioner Tom Stone City Clerk Charlene Ruthe Attorney Wendy Howarter Chief Thomas Miller

Charlene Ruthe started the pledge.

Connie Stauffer presented the Council with a framed picture of the Chana School and she also thanked them for the contribution that was made to the Chana School Foundation.

Mayor Mike Arians swore in Joseph Brooks as a police officer.

Mike Burris from Crawford, Murphy & Tilly was present to explain the retainage money that is being kept for the storm sewer project. Rockford Blacktop would like to see the retainage amount reduced. The contact states ten percent. Mike Burris explained that the project is almost completed and he feels that reducing the retainage would not be a problem. The rest of the work that needs to be completed would not total a significant amount of money. Rockford Blacktop is currently working on a punch list of things that still need to be done.

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve the April 8, 2002 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

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

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved that the payroll in the amount of \$21,132.36 and claims listed be allowed:

ARC Design, \$1,657.50

AT&T, \$72.70

BC Energy Service Co., \$1,740.14

Bemis Motor Co., \$541.19

Michael Bowers, \$128.00

ComEd, \$32.19

Dan's Goodyear, \$12.00

Dixon State Garage, \$392.99

Hampton Inn, \$98.26

Holiday Inn O'Hare, \$290.26

Jacobson & Assoc., \$960.00

Lauer's, \$450.00

M&M Supermarket, \$27.68

Merlin's, \$36.50

Morton Salt, \$3,096.49

MPH Industries, Inc., \$22.00

Municipal Electronics, Inc., \$101.65

Ogle County Newspaper, \$39.99

P.F. Pettibone & Co, \$43.95

Quill, \$418.28

Emmalyn Spickler, \$120.00

Stillman BancCorp, Inc., \$14,400.00

Stocking Equipment, \$25.70

US Cellular, \$173.08

West Group, \$58.50

Zarnoth Brush Works, Inc., \$64.50

Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Chana School picture

Swore in Jose Brooks

CMT-Storm Sewer Project

Approve minutes

Payroll/claims

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

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to pay the storm sewer pay request with the retainage being reduced to five percent-Rockford Blacktop, \$255,430.82 and EMC, \$35,925.48, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.

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

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to approve the year end transfers:

Transfer funds from Public Affairs to the following account:

Audit	\$19,200.00
City Social Security	\$17,000.00
Crossing Guards	\$6,500.00
Police Department	\$300,000.00
Street Lighting	\$30,000.00
Street Department	\$260,000.00
Recreation	\$9,500.00
Capitol Impr.	\$22,000.00
Coliseum	\$12,000.00
City Hall	\$20,000.00
Group Insurance	\$137,300.00
Total	\$833,500.00
Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.	

Roll Call: Izer, Medar, Stone. No Nays.

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to approve Resolution No. 630-InterDepartmental Transfers, Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

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

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve Resolution No. 631 from IDOT for the Motor Fuel Tax Project on Oregon Trail Road, Seconded by Commissioner Gerald Medlar.

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

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve Resolution No. 632 from IDOT on the Motor Fuel Project on Webster Street and Lovers Lane, Seconded by Commissioner Gerald Medlar.

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

The bid for the building at the water/sewer plant was tabled for more information.

Commissioner Tom Stone announced that they had three bids for the 1986 Ford plow truck. Steve Benesh & Sons was the highest bidder at \$3,740.00.

Mayor Mike Arians would like to appoint Bob Rees to fill the vacant council seat. He will be sworn in the first council meeting in May.

Chief Thomas Miller announced that the police department will be checking for inoperable vehicles.

Commissioner Thomas Izer reminded citizens to watch for people bicycling.

Commissioner Tom Stone has received complaint about littering in the fifth street parking lot. Chief Miller will be looking into this matter. He is also concerned about the businesses in the downtown area with employees and customers throwing cigarette butts on the sidewalks. He would like to see each business provide a container to dispose of them rather than on the sidewalks and streets.

Storm Sewer Pay Request

Year-end transfers

Res No.#630 Inter-dept. transfers

Res No.# MFT-Oregon Trail Rd

Res No.#632 MFT-Lovers Ln & Webster St.

Tabled w/s bldg

Plow truck bid

Appoint Bob Rees

Chief report

Commissioners

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Letter from Andy Robinso Oregon Dev. Assoc.

Waive hook or

fees for deter

Adjourn

Mayor Mike Arians read a letter from Andy Robinson. Andy is going to recommend to the shareholders of the Oregon Development Assoc. that they commit their remaining assets to assist in the county detention center. The estimated amount is between \$140,000.00 and \$145,000.00. This commitment would be contingent on executed contracts and formal approvals from the City and County acknowledging that the project would be completed.

Mayor Mike Arians also asked the council to waive hook on fees to the county detention center if it's built within or contiguous to the city limits.

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

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

7:45 P.M.

ATTEST:

Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk