COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday July 6, 2010 City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Tuesday July 6 2010, 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

Chief Darin DeHaan started the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Jim Lauer to approve the June 14, 2010 minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

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

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to ratify the payroll in the amount of

\$33,046.44 and claims from June:

Brian Hermes, \$725.00

Byron Bank., \$531.26

City of Oregon, \$12,000.00

CMT, \$16,748.29

Copenhaver Construction, \$70,015.55

Emmalyn Spickler, \$280.00

Lindgren, Callihan, Van Osdol, \$9,445.00

Martin & Company, \$105.04

McGyver Small Engine Repair, \$40.00

MDES, \$393.75

MDES, \$961.50

MDES, \$270.00

MDES, \$23,917.00

Moring Disposal, \$13,640.00

NAPA\$264.14

Northern Illinois Concrete Lifting, \$2,800.00

Oregon Park District, \$1,000.00

Postmaster, \$461.44

Quill, \$76.45

Reinders, \$155.00

SBM, \$54.00

Stillman Bank, \$8,242.81

US Cellular, \$49.13

Verizon, \$115.61

Verizon Wireless, \$316.37

Washington Corner, \$1.000.00

Wes's Tree Service, \$800.00

West Group, \$73.00

Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

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

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve the payroll in the amount of

\$30,941.75and claims as listed:

Assurant Employee Benefits, \$138.75

AT&T, \$203.57

Basler's, \$237.13

Casper Manheim, \$968.44

Casper Manheim, \$400.00

Cintas, \$129.65

City of Oregon, \$48,900.00

Color Digital Imaging, \$1,198.80

ComEd, \$4,157.32

Emmalyn Spickler, \$280.00 Fearer & Nye, \$333.33 James Taylor, \$240.00 Leonard Bruns, \$110.00 Martin & Company, \$215.28 MDES, \$1.540.38 Mike Bowers, \$133.75 NCCS, \$774.08 Ogle Co. Clerk & Recorder, \$62.00 Oregon Super Valu, \$26.86 Peters GMC Trucks, \$24.20 Postmaster, \$88.00 Sauk Valley Newspaper, \$23.45 Stillman BancCorp, \$621.19 University of Illinois, \$359.00 Zarnoth Brush Works, \$145.60 Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

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

Commissioner Ken Williams moved to approve Ordinance No. 2010-105 Utility Tax with the correction to take out the tax on water, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Discussion: Jim Tegtmeyer, Herb Birk, Harry Fletcher, and Richard Berman spoke against the Utility Tax.

Commissioner Ken Williams announced that due to the short fall from the State of Illinois the city needed to come up with an additional revenue source. It's something no one wants. The city has cut its expenses for the last two years and has reduced the Police Force by one officer. The rate of 1.85% will be on the electric and natural gas bills.

Roll Call: Lauer, Rees, Williams, Stone. Nays: Miller.

The Plan Commission recommendation was referred back to them.

Commissioner Tom Miller moved to approve the raffle licenses for Oregon Lions Club and Oregon Trial Days, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

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

Ken Williams announced the public hearing date for the Annual Appropriation July 26, 2010 at 7:00 PM.

Commissioner Bob Rees had photos of the improvements being done to the water/wastewater plant.

Commissioner Jim Lauer handed out a Street Closure that was approved for Oregon Trail Days. Next meeting he will be bringing figures for a new plow truck.

Mayor Tom Stone thanked the Council for changing the meeting date.

Oregon Trail Days still need volunteers.

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

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

Adjourn: 7:30 P.M.

Thomas R. Stone, Sr., Mayor

Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk