

COUNCIL MEETING
Monday August 24, 2009
City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday August 24, 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

Chief Darin DeHaan started the pledge of allegiance.

Amy Trimble, employed by Peoples Economic Development Group, gave a brief summary of what they have been working on in the downtown area. She also handed out information on a Façade Improvement Matching Grant Program for the Council members to look over and consider.

Update from
Peoples Group

Jim Keaty, who resides at 704 Jackson Street, wanted to know if the city could do anything about the ditch that was formed on this property since Lillamore Lane was put in. This was referred to Commissioner Jim Lauer.

Citizen
concern

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to approve the August 10, 2009 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 \$32,299.46 and claims as listed:

Payroll/Claims

CMT, \$6,959.09
ComEd, \$4,017.11
Comcast, \$44.95
Dynamic Horizons Computer Service, \$41.50
Ehmen, \$402.50
Emmalyn Spickler, \$280.00
Grainger, \$38.15
Grover's Nursery, \$2,150.00
Illinois Municipal League, \$250.00
McGyver Small Engine Repair, \$10.42
MDES, \$695.40
MDES, \$26,625.88
Moring Disposal, \$13,570.00
Municipal Code Corporation, \$400.00
NAPA, \$122.40
Neenah Foundry Co., \$360.00
Northern Illinois Concrete Lifting, \$4,300.00
Oregon Super Valu, \$7.99
Polo Cooperative Assoc., \$5,456.78
Postmaster, \$88.00
Postmaster, \$18.40
Quill, \$237.96
Ray O'Herron Co., Inc., \$7.00
SBM, \$62.53
Stan's Performance, \$465.56
Steve Benesh & Sons, \$133.38
Stillman Bancorp., \$621.19
Traffic Control & Protection Inc., \$4,256.60
US Cellular, \$49.96
Verizon, \$123.20
Verizon Wireless, \$233.44

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Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

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

Mayor Tom Stone moved to approve Ordinance No. 09-108 to amend Liquor Licenses, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Approved Ord#
09-108 amend
Liquor License

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

Ordinance No. 09-109 to amend Offenses was tabled until the next meeting. Mike Koder, who owns a wooded parcel off of North 6th Street, spoke regarding the ordinance he would like to bow hunt wild turkeys on his property.

Ord#09-109
Tabled

Mayor Tom Stone moved to approve Ordinance No. 09-110 to amend Inoperable Vehicles, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Ord#09-110
Amend
Inoperable
Vehicles

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

Commissioner Bob Rees moved to award the contact for the construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Sjostrom & Sons in the amount of \$3,456,640.00, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Award W/S
contract

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

Commissioner Tom Miller moved to approve the Plan Commission recommendation to deny the variance submitted by Ahmed Abatorab. (Motion failed for the lack of a second) This recommendation was tabled.

Plan Comm
Recomm
tabled

Commissioner Tom Miller moved to approve the Raffle License for the First Presbyterian Church, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Raffle License

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

Commissioner Tom Miller would like to get away from the city using the appropriation ordinance and go to a balanced budget. Commissioner Ken Williams said this is something he is looking into and will bring the information to the council at a later date.

Commissioner's
report

Mayor Tom Stone received information from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency announcing that they are in the process of putting the Blackhawk Statue at Lowden Park on the National Register. This was referred to Amy Trimble.

Lowden Park
Blackhawk
Statue

Illinois Department of Natural Resources is hosting a meeting on behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency September 23rd for local government from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm and to the public from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. at the Farm Bureau building on Pines Road.

DNR Meeting

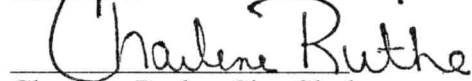
Commissioner Bob Rees moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Commissioner Jim Lauer.

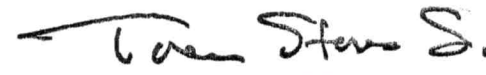
Adjourn

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

Adjourn: 7:40 P.M.

ATTEST:


Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk


Thomas R. Stone, Sr., Mayor