

COUNCIL MEETING
Monday September 24, 2007
City Hall Council Chambers

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday September 24, 2007, 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
Attorney William P. Fearer, II
City Clerk Charlene Ruthe
Chief Darin DeHaan

Ken Williams started the pledge of allegiance.

The Candlelight Walk Association presented a quote for decorations and map of where the trees and snow flakes will be placed in the downtown area. The quote was for 40 trees at \$15.00 each.

Candlelight
Walk

Commissioner Jim Lauer moved to approve the September 10, 2007 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 \$30,482.44 and claims as listed:

Payroll/Claims

Amcore Bank, \$1,096.09
Attorney at Law, \$60.00
Bemis Motors, \$2,908.40
Blackhawk Lumber, \$99.50
Bonnell Industries, \$506.77
Brownlee Data Systems, \$350.00
Chief Supply, \$143.95
CMT, \$10,040.00
ComEd, \$3,803.46
Ecolab, \$103.50
Ehmen, \$850.30
Emmalyn Spickler, \$280.00
Fearer & Nye, \$333.33
Fist National Bank of Rochelle, \$16,251.00
Fischer's, \$179.00
Gary Greenwood, \$50.00
Giving Tree Band-AOP, \$300.00
M&M Supermarket, \$110.90
MidAmerican Energy Co., \$200.25
Mobile Electronics, \$72.50
Moring Disposal, \$12,231.00
Oregon Ambulance Service, \$862.00
Oregon School Dist., \$12,831.93
Oregon Super Valu, \$20.09
P.F. Pettibone & Co., \$95.90
Pines Meadow, \$229.70
Pitney Bowes, \$265.46
Polo Cooperative Assoc., \$3,214.23
Postmaster, \$425.36
Rabine Paving, \$158.00
Rogers Ready Mix, \$409.70
Sauk Valley Newspaper, \$250.57
Silverbeams-AOP, \$950.00
Sinful Saints-AOP, \$750.00
Stillman Bancorp, \$621.19
The Blue Line, \$199.00

Ultimate Designs, \$27.00
US Cellular, \$50.39
Verizon Wireless, \$117.20
Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Claims

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

Commissioner Tom Miller moved to approve the raffle licenses for AOP-Car Show, St. Mary's Church, Oregon Park District, St. Jude's Children Hospital, St., Bride's Church & Farming Heritage, Inc., Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Approved
raffle licenses

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

Ken Williams moved to contribute \$600.00 toward the downtown decorations for Candlelight Walk, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Miller.

Candlelight
Walk decoration

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

Three Proclamations were read by Mayor Tom Stone. They were as follows: in memory of Pat "Coach" Holland, Constitution Week, and Save a Life Month.

Proclamations

The Council discussed the property owned by the City at 137 S 4th Street. Bob Rees suggested that the Council make a decision by the October 22nd Council meeting as to what they want to see done to the building either sell it or tear it down. Ken Williams suggested advertising on the Historic Preservation website for 60 days and putting a for sale sign in the window to see if we get any interested parties to purchase the property.

Schoening Bldg
discussed

Chief Darin DeHaan announced that they will be having a training session sometime in the future for the business owners on the new smoke free act.

Chief's report

The Water & Sewer Department will be smoke testing the sanitary sewers in the downtown area October 9 and 10th. This work is being done to locate sources of sewer line breaks, leaks, and illegal storm water connections.

W/S dept.
smoke testing

Commissioner Bob Rees accepted an award for the Oregon Depot Museum at an annual meeting of the Burlington Route Historical Society in Kansas City, Ks. This is the highest award given by the Railroad for preserving the history of the Chicago Burlington Railroad.

Depot Award

Commissioner Bob Rees moved to go into executive session to discuss employee salaries, Seconded by Commissioner Ken Williams.

Exe Session

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

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

Regular session

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

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

Adjourn

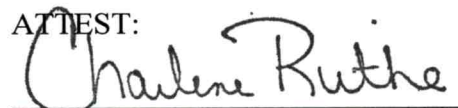
Roll Call: Lauer, Miller, Rees, Williams, Stone. No Nays.

Adjourn: 8:05 P.M.



Thomas R. Stone, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:



Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk