

COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

The Council of the City of Oregon met Monday September 9, 2002, 7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Mike Arians
Commissioner Tom Izer
Commissioner Gerald Medlar
Commissioner Bob Rees
Commissioner Tom Stone
City Clerk Charlene Ruthe
Attorney Wendy Howarter
Chief Thomas Miller

Tom Stone started the pledge.

Mayor Mike Arians presented a plaque to the Fire Chief Don Heller in appreciation for the work they have done as volunteer fire fighters.

Plaque Fire Dep

Mayor Mike Arians also presented plaques to Tom Stone on behalf of Bemis Motors Company and Rodger Wakenight on behalf of Brain Bemis. The Mayor thanked them for their services in the past years and hope they will keep the business coming.

Plaque Brian
Bemis & Bemis
Motors

Joseph Brooks graduated top of his class at the Police Institute.

Brooks

Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve the August 26, 2002 minutes,
Seconded by Commissioner Thomas Izer.

Approve
Minutes

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

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved that the payroll in the amount of \$26,358.84 and claims listed be allowed:

Payroll/claims

AT&T, \$116.78
Basler's, \$232.26
BC Energy & Service Co., \$2,029.40
Bemis Motors, \$426.79
Blackhawk Lumber, \$1,274.20
Bonnell Industries, \$71.75
Joseph Brooks, \$301.01
Byron Blacktop, Inc., \$264.00
CMS, \$16,243.00
ComEd, \$4,208.90
Diversified Code & Inspection, \$1,308.38
Ehmne, \$913.04
Emblem Enterprises, Inc., \$78.23
EMC, \$25,443.03
Fischer's, \$19.99
Forest City Concrete Lifting, \$1,960.00
Fortis, \$157.25
Gall's, \$90.90
GT Distributors, Inc., \$5.95
L&K Electronics, \$162.50
Lask Roofing & Siding, \$3,654.00
Lauer Signs, \$80.00
M&M Supermarket, \$238.42
Jerry Medlar, \$1,000.00
Metrocall, Inc., \$39.95
Tom Miller, \$200.00
Moring Disposal, \$90.00
Oregon Super Valu, \$1.29
Steve Orsted, \$80.00
P.F. Pettibone & Co., \$68.80
Pines Meadow, \$119.60

Quill, \$226.06
 Ray O'Herron, \$593.56
 Ray O'Herron, \$439.00
 Rockford Register Star, \$171.10
 Charlene Ruthe, \$1,000.00
 Snyder, \$11.67
 Emmy Spickelr, \$120.00
 Tom Stone, \$1,000.00
 Teska, \$8,537.98
 Tom's Dust Control, \$920.00
 Verizon, \$816.84
 Verizon Wireless, \$92.47
 Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Claims

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

The council discussed the Vicious Dog Ordinance. The Pit Bull Ordinance was not voted on. The council held off on limiting the amount of dogs per household. Commissioner Thomas Izer moved to approve Ordinance No. 1178-Vacious Dogs, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Rees.

Vicious Dog Ordinance

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

Commissioner Gerald Medlar moved to approve Ordinance No. 1179-Telecommunication Tax Rate and the new rate will be four percent (4%) effective January 1, 2003, Seconded by Commissioner Tom Stone.

Telecomm Ordinance
4%-new rate

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

Wendy drafted the Chana School variance for them to have a well. She read the variance that was in ordinance form to the council and asked if they wanted to send this to the Plan Commission or discuss it tonight. The council felt it could be voted on tonight. Commissioner Tom Stone moved to approve Ordinance No. 1180 for Chana School to have a variance for a well, Seconded by Commissioner Gerald Medlar.

Chana School variance-Well

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

The Mayor announced that the Knights of Columbus will be having their tootsie roll drive September 20th and 21st.

Tootsie Roll days

Commissioner Bob Rees announced that they will start roofing the Depot next week.

Depot roof

Commissioner Tom Stone would like to take bids on demolition of the building at 113 N 3rd Street that the city has purchased for parking. Commissioner Tom Stone moved to accept bids for the demolition of the building at 113 N 3rd Street and bids will be opened October 7, 2002 at 10:00 A.M. City Hall Chambers, Seconded by Commissioner Gerald Medlar,

Bids

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

Rol Colson spoke on behalf of Project Oregon regarding planting the spruce trees along Route 64. He initially had someone from the Byron Forest Preserve to help transport the tress, but changes in their manpower have caused them to modify their offer. We can use their tree spade and they will show someone how to operate the equipment. Project Oregon has to come up with a truck and an operator. Ron would like to know if someone from the city could operate the tree spade. Commissioner Tom Stone said he could check with Mike Bowers. He will not commit anyone at this time.

Project Oregon tree project

Ron also wanted to know what has been done with the GIS mapping recommendation. Commissioner Gerald Medlar and the City Clerk were appointed as a sub committee. At that time the city was starting the three million dollar storm sewer separation project and they did not feel the financing was available at that time. Commissioner Tom Stone wanted to know if funding was still available. Tom also suggested checking with Willett Hoffman and Assoc. to see if they would have the capability to do the mapping system.

GIS Mapping
Discussed

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

Adjourn

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

7:40 P.M.



Mike Arians, Mayor

ATTEST:


Charlene Ruthe, City Clerk