

REGULAR MEETING OF
Canby City Council - February 3, 1969

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 8:01 p.m. followed by the traditional flag salute.

Roll Call: Present - Mayor Housen and Councilmen Braman, Dinteman, Raines, Reinertson, Stevens and Tatone. Absent - None.
Others Present - Attorney Bettis, Supt. Cox, Police Chief Cole and Fire Chief Christiansen.

A motion was made by Councilman Stevens, seconded by Reinertson and carried unanimously that minutes of the meeting of January 20 be approved as mailed to the Council members.

Mr. & Mrs. Archie Schmitt and Mr. & Mrs. Edward Goebel appeared before the Council requesting that the City repair and maintain South Neff Road. Mayor Housen and Council members explained that the particular road was not a City street and that the City had no right nor funds to maintain a private drive. Schmitt stated that the road had been open to public use at least 40 years and that it had been worked from time to time by the City. Mrs. Goebel said the adjacent property owners on either side had offered 10 foot strips for right-of-way at one time. Supt. Cox stated that he had searched County records but had found no evidence of dedicated right-of-way nor City ownership. Councilman Raines said that when he was Supt, he had maintained the road without knowing that it was not a City Street. The discussion brought out that the present roadway was too narrow for a City street and would have to be brought up to minimum standards before the City could accept and maintain it. Attorney Bettis said the City might run the grader over it for fire protection purposes particularly if the property owners would agree to furnish gravel for it. Mayor Housen asked Street Commissioner Stevens and Archie Schmitt to investigate the possibilities of some satisfaction.

Jaycee member Larry Keil thanked the City for the improvement of Kylo Avenue. Jaycee member Al Tate reported on the satisfactory status of the park and playground equipment in the City park, installed last summer by the Jaycees. Upon reporting that the swings needed repair, Supt. Cox said he would send the City portable welder down there to repair it.

Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of January 22 was read and noted. After discussion of the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the Zone Change application for the Delforge-Hellhake property on U. S. 99E, the Council set a hearing date for 7 p.m. on February 17 with publication on February 6 and 13th.

A letter from Matt Knoblauch was read in which he praised and thanked the City for the speedy and efficient manner in which the recent snow was removed from the downtown streets.

A letter from Canby Union High School was read in which the writer, Principal Richard R. Brown, praised William Layton as a police officer and a fine citizen, telling of his cooperation with school officials and his desire to do his job well. A motion was made by Councilman Dinteman, seconded by Braman and carried unanimously that a copy of the letter be sent to Layton's present employer.

Resignation of police officer Lyle Weber was read, giving reason to accept other employment. A motion was made by Councilman Stevens, seconded by Raines and carried unanimously to accept the resignation. Councilman Tatone raised the question of the principal reasons for several policemen resigning in a short time, and suggested that an investigation be made. Police Commissioner Reinertson said that a study was being made of the situation and that he was about ready to call for a special Council meeting to discuss his findings. Mayor Housen stated that a special meeting would be scheduled upon Reinertson's call.

Personnel Committee Chairman Braman reported that the committee, with Councilman Dinteman absent, has interviewed applicant Charles Anthony Nastasia for police work, reporting that "he was a cocky young policeman" apparently having satisfactory qualifications. After a period of discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Raines, seconded by Dinteman and carried unanimously that the City employ Charles Anthony Nastasia as police patrolman.

City Attorney Bettis read the will of Daisy D. VanDeMoortele, recently deceased, which revealed a bequest of approximately \$15,000 to the City for park purposes. The Attorney said it might take 6 months to complete the legal process.

The program to inform the electors of the coming bond election and the advantages of the water system improvements, to be financed by revenue bonds, was discussed. Commissioner Braman displayed a space ad that had been prepared for the February 13, issue of the Canby Herald; the Recorder reported that hand bills had been enclosed with the utility bills mailed on January 31, and the council presentation at club and organization meetings was outlined.

The Recorder reported that the Notice of Election was being published in the Canby Herald on January 30 and February 6 and that Notices of election were posted in six public and conspicuous places in the City on January 28.

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Mayor Housen announced that the time had arrived to conduct a public hearing on the Cemetery supplemental budget as published in the Canby Herald on January 23 and 30. There being no one present to object or comment on the proposal, and after Council discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Dinteman, seconded by Stevens and carried unanimously that the Supplemental budget for the Cemetery Department in the amount of \$5,334 be adopted.

The Recorder reported that the State Compensation Department had received a request from Clayton Yoder that he be allowed the cost of a hernia operation as a result of an injury while employed at the City Cemetery. The Council discussed the matter and agreed that no objection to the request would be registered by the City.

It was reported that the traffic congestion problem on S. Elm Street, referred to the police department at the January 20 Council meeting, had been solved and traffic flow had returned to normal.

After a period of discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Dinteman, seconded by Raines and carried unanimously by roll call vote that claims against the City, included those of Canby Union Bank for water well rent and of Maintenance and Construction Service, Inc. for \$161 be approved for payment and warrants drawn on the Treasurer in payment thereof.

The Council discussed the number of requests on the City for detailed reports of building permits. The Recorder and Supt. asked the Council to advise on how the problem could be resolved. A number of solutions were suggested but no action was taken.

A motion was made by Councilman Stevens, seconded by Raines and carried unanimously that Friday, February 21st be observed as a City holiday in lieu of Washington's birthday which falls on Saturday this year.

The Council discussed the matter of Clark and Groff Engineers plans and specifications for Wait Park development being prepared as one unit while the application for federal matching funds was set up on a two yearly phase program. Mayor Housen directed the Recorder to contact the State Park Department in relation to this question and ascertain how the bid proposals should be prepared.

Fire and ambulance reports for the past month were given by Chief Christiansen.

Supt Cox told the Council of some problems that had arisen in planning for the extension of sewer and water mains to the new middle school on S. Ivy, in that what the Supt had told the contracting engineer and what he conveyed to school authorities did not agree. Cox said in any event, the school was to participate in the cost of the main extensions.

The Supt. presented two quotations to the Council for garden tractors for cemetery use. Mayor Housen referred the quotations to a committee of Councilmen Tatone and Raines and the Supt to compare and evaluate and make recommendations to the Council.

Councilman Tatone reported that he had visited the cemetery a number of times to survey needs and plan improvements of facilities there; that he had attended the monthly firemens meeting where he received a warm welcome and that he had arrangements to survey the civil defense portable hospital unit stored at the old Canby Grade school building.

Councilman Braman reported that he had made a detailed study of the contract agreement with John Beck incident to the water well rental and had determined that it was the City's responsibility to repair the chlorinator and building which had been damaged by auto collision and vandalism. After a period of discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Dinteman, seconded by Braman and carried unanimously that the City cease the chlorinator and building to be repaired and made serviceable as soon as possible.

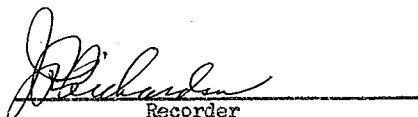
Councilman Stevens reported that word had been received from the State of Oregon that Canby's revenue from the highway funds for the last half of 1968 would total \$19,277.62 or approximately \$1,850 dollars more than the budget estimate. Stevens reported that some merchants on the south side of the railroad had protested that the snow removal after the recent storm was concentrated on the north side and not on the south side.

Councilman Reinertson announced a meeting of the swimming pool board at the City Hall at 7:30 on Tuesday and extended an invitation to Councilmen to attend. He also requested consideration of special electrical rates for heating of the swimming pool.

Councilman Raines said plans were being made to construct a ladder and other facilities at the sewage plant to aid in proper operation.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 a.m.


Mayor


Recorder