REGULAR MEETING OF

Canby City Council - January 2, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 8 p.m.

Roll Call: Present - Mayor Housen and Councilmen Braman, Dinteman, Dresen, Giger, Stevens and Tatone. Absent - None.

Others Present - Attorney Bettis, Supt. Cox and Fire Chief Christiansen.

Mayor Housen led the Council and others present in the traditional flag salute. Minutes of the meeting of December 18 was read and approved with minor corrections. A motion was then made by Councilman Stevens, seconded by Giger and carried unanimously that paragraph 2 of the minutes of the December 27 special meeting be stricken from the minutes. Then minutes of the meeting of December 27 was read as corrected and approved.

Vernon Goucher appeared before the Council with objections that the Council had recently paid a bill of \$665 without approval as provided by the City Charter. Attorney Bettis explained that expenditures from specific budgeted items need only Council approval as the budget is approved through acceptance by the public. Goucher queried the Council regarding a charter amendment reference in the minutes of December 18. Attorney Bettis explained to him that the reference was to an Ordinance and not to a charter amendment. Upon the Mayor's inquiry for further comments, Goucher indicated he wished to take part in further discussion of the street naming ordinance. He was advised that the Ordinance would not come up for final action until the next regular Council meeting due to the Charter requirement of being posted for two full calender weeks after being changed or amended. Goucher left the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Supt. Cox reported on the latest activities in regard to selecting sites for water well test drilling. He said Crawford was not interested in selling part of his property and that the grade school officials were reluctant to part with the required amount of property adequate for a well site. He also mentioned possible sites on property owned by Gordon Andrus, Chet Tompkins and Arthur Landon but said he had no definite commitments.

Councilman Tatone raised the question of how much property was actually needed for a well site. Supt. Cox told the Council that the State Health Authority required that the City have absolute control of property with radius of 100 feet to prohibit the installation of cesspools and drain fields within that area. Tatone told the Council he had contacted Gilbert Groff by telephone regarding the very minimum property requirements and that Groff had said that a 50 by 50 foot area would suffice if no sewer facilities were within 50 feet. Tatone said he had also discussed with Groff what would be the results if the flow of a city well retarded the flow of any other wells in the vicinity and that Groff said the State Engineer could limit the city pumping. Supt. Cox then stated that the State Engineer would control all wells proportionately that were so affected. Councilman Tatone further stated that he had checked County Assessor's records and found that the Satter property was assessed at a much lower valuation than the Satter offered selling price. Councilman Tatone requested that the above be made a matter of public record, that he had called it to the attention of the Mayor and Council.

Attorney Bettis told the Council that he would prepare an option agreement, containing the discussed terms, and submit it to the Satters as soon as he obtained a legal description to the property. The Council than agreed upon \$300 as a cash term of the option. Bettis explaine that the option, if acceptable to the Satters, would contain a grant of easement for test drilling on the property and an option to purchase within a specified time.

After a period of further discussion regarding the water survey and test site selection, Mayor Housen stated that the Council had requested that he appoint someone to investigate the site acquisition and selection and that he had appointed Supt. Cox. The Mayor said he felt that duplication of authority was unfair to Cox and was interferring with progress. Councilman Tatone said he thought the Mayor had ignored him as Commissioner of the water department and that he thought he should have been asked to assist Cox. Councilman Giger told the Council that he had gone to Reedsport, upon the Mayor's authorization. and discussed Page 2.

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The Council discussed the Census Bureau estimate of Canby on July 1, 1967 as 3100 compared with the City's own estimate of 3209. The Council authorized the Recorder to contact the executive secretary of the League of Oregon Cities in this regard and to ascertain what effect it would have on Canby's revenue from the State of Oregon.

The Recorder and Supt. read a number of letters received recently from CRAG requesting information in various catagories of City business and indicating expanding of its services in the 4 County area. The Council discussed the matter and authorized the Recorder to contact the League of Oregon Cities to ascertain the reaction from other towns and cities regarding CRAG's activities. Attorney Bettis reminded the Council of having advised them two years ago against membership in CRAG due to lack of representation and voice. Supt. Cox read from a schedule of salaries that CRAG officials receive at least \$84,700 per year from membership dues. It was reported that a substantial assessment may be forthcoming soon for additional funds.

Fire Chief Christiansen gave his monthly and annual ambulance and fire report, which included 255 ambulance calls and fire losses amounting to \$18,975 in City fires and \$19,960 in rural fires. The Chief gave special recognition to Jack Lenhart who has volunteered his services with a tanker airplane for combating grass and grain fires.

A motion was made by Councilman Dinteman, seconded by Giger and carried unanimously by roll call vote that claims against the City be approved for payment and warrants drawn on the Treasurer in payment thereof.

Council members indicated that they had individually submitted questions for the Jaycee survey to Al Tate.

There was an informal discussion of police patrol hours and shifts. Chairman Braman announced a meeting of the personnel committee for 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Mayor

Recorder