## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

## OF THE CITY COUNCIL

## OF BROOKINGS, OREGON, HELD

JUNE 28, 1960

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS MET IN A SPECIAL SESSION ON JUNE 28, 1960 AT 7:50 P.M.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR C. F. CAMPBELL, PRESIDING. COUNCILMEN PRESENT WERE: GORDON GOETZ, LELAND HEIN, PERCY HANKS, ERNEST CHRISTENSEN, CITY ENGINEER H. E. ECHOLS, & CONSULTING ENGINEER, R. H. ERICHSEN.

SEALED BIDS FORMTHE COMPLETION OF SEWER DISTRICT WERE OPENED AND READ. THE FOLLOWING BIDS WERE RECEIVED:

BROOKSIDE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
DEAN HERDER CONSTRUCTION CO.
JAMES G. ROBERTSON COMPANY
RIVERSIDE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

\$12,922.35 FOR LABOR ONLY.
31,208.00 FOR LABOR AND MATERIALS
29,833.50 FOR LABOR AND MATERIALS
23,527.00 FOR LABOR AND MATERIALS

THE LOWEST BID FOR \$12,922.35 WAS CONSIDERED AS MOST FAVORABLE PROVIDING A COMPLETION BOND WAS GIVEN TO THE CITY. BY THE BROOKSIDE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.

THE COUNCIL THEN ADJOURNED TO ATTEND A MEETING AT THE BROOKINGS-HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL TO LISTEN AND TAKE PART IN A PUBLIC FORM BEING CONDUCTED BY MR. TED GEROW, OREGON STATE SANITARY INSPECTOR. THE COUNCIL MEETING WILL RESUME AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE FORM.

THE FORUM WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR C. F. CAMPBELL PRESIDING, WHO INTRODUCED MR. GEROW OF THE STATE SANITARY AUTHORITY TO THE FORUM.

MR. GEROW GAVE A N INFORMATIVE TALK ON THE NEED OF SANITATION IN COMMUNITIES OF THE SIZE OF BROOKINGS, HE SHOWED AND POINTED OUT HOW OTHER CITIES HAD MET AND WERE MEETING THE PROBLEMS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE OF OREGON.

MR. GEROW THEN GAVE A RESUME OF THE PLANS FOR FORMING SEWER DISTRICTS AND HOW THE CITY OF BROOKINGS HAD STEP BY STEP PROGRESSED ALONG THE PRESCRIBED PROCEDURE USUALLY FOLLOWED BY OTHER CITIES OF THIS SIZE. HE THEN POINTED OUT HIS FINDINGS DURING HIS TOUR OF THE PROPOSED SEWER DISTRICT No. 10.

MR. GEROW POINTED OUT THAT THE COST TO THE CITY OF BROOKINGS FOR THE PROPOSED SEWER DISTRICT No. 10 WAS VERY REASONABLE AND SOMEWHAT BELOW THE AVERAGE DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE. HE STATED THAT THE TAX PER SQUARE FOOT AT KLAMATH FALLS RECENTLY WAS 3.66, WHILE MEDFORD IN SOME OF THEIR DISTRICTS HAD RUN AS HIGH AS \$1,000 A. Lote, other areas had been 7 & 8 ¢ per square foot.

MR. GEROW POINTED OUT THAT CONSTRUCTION COSTS HAD RAISED AS MUCH AS 35% IN THE PAST 10 YEARS WIND THAT IT WAS HIS OPINION THEY WERE NOT GOING TO GO DOWN ANY IN THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE.

MR. GEROW STATED THAT  $3\phi$  PER SQUARE FOOT WAS A GOOD PRICE, AND THAT ANYTHING OVER  $4\phi$  WOULD BE GETTING A LITTLE ON THE EXPENSIVE SIDE.

MR. MILLER ASKED IF A FLOODED SEPTIC TANK COULD FUNCTION PROPERLY, TO WHICH MR. GEROW STATED THAT THE TANK COULD BE FUNCTIONING PROPERLY BUT THE WATER WOULD CARRY OF THE SOLIDS, THUS MAKING THE TANK USLESS OR OF NO VALUE.

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Wally Ransom asked if going up Ransom Avenue would not increase the cost? It was explaned by Mr. Gerow that in the overall picture the More area served by a district the cost would be less per square foot.

At this time Mr. Erichsen gave an explanation of the assessment on District 10, stating that all bids were offered at the expected maximum costs, allowing for any unforseen expenses that might be involved.

He also gave a break down on the operation cost of how the figures were arrived per square foot for the cost.

Mr. Ebinger asked Mr. Gerow to explain why he was at this meeting and tell the people what he, Mr. Ebinger and Mr. Gerow discussed in an informal meeting they had had before the forum was called.

Mr. Gerow then explained that it was his job to protect the health of the communities, and to see that the rivers and streams of the state were not polluted. He further stated that the Sanitary Authority had no authority to enforce a sewer district, but they could turn down recommendations for loans, and declare certain areas unsanitary. Which would either cause the areas to put in proper sewage and disposal facilities or limit the building of additional houses in the area unless the structure of the soil would take the offal.

Mr. Erichsen then explained how engineering fees were figured and what per cent of the construction cost actually went to the engineering firm.

Mrs. Moore wanted to know how and when she was going to be able to get water on her property.

Mr. Cambell explained that the state had advised the Housing Authority to grant the City of Brookings a loan for the study of the much needed water system.

Mr. Gerow explained that the need for sewage in this area was not new and that the Sanitary Authority had been waiting for 7 to 8 years for the people of Brookings to make up their minds about putting it in.

Mr. Gerow's concluding remarks were that "He recommed that the City of Brookings proceed with the construction of Sewer District No.10.

The City Council then returned to the City Hall to resume their meeting at 11:00 p. m..

The Council discussed at length the necessity of having a man to be able to take over the management of the public works of the city. Also a need for an engineer that was able to get down into the excavations and make proper inspection of the work that had to be done. They agreed that it would be necessary to dispose of the services of Mr. Echols on a monthly bases and use him only on a job call inspection or as needed fee.

Councilman Goetz was appointed to notify Mr. Echols of the Councils action and that it would become effective as of July 15, 1960.

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Councilman Goetz moved that we accept the BID of the construction and completion of Sewer District No. 8 as offered by the Brookside Construction Company for the sum of \$12,922.35. Motion seconded by Councilman Hein. Votes were cast as follows:

AYES: HEIN, CHRISTENSEN, GOETZ. NAYS: NONE. MORION CARRIED UNANAMIOUSLY.

THE Council MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 8:00 p.m., June 29, 1960.

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR C. F. CAMPBELL AT 8:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY JUNE 29, 1960. MAYOR CAMPBELL THEN COMMENTED ON THE RESULTS OF THE FORUM HELD AT THE HIGH SCHOOL JUNE 28, AND STATED THAT HE HAD HEARD MANY FAVORABLE COMMENTS REGARDING THE MEETING.

Councilman Goetz stated that he also had heard comments and some of the people were wondering why the City didn't go ahead with the proposed sewer District No. 10.

Councilman Goetz moved that: Bids be called for the Construction of Sewer District No. 10 in accordance with Resolution No. 54. Seconded by Councilman Hanks. Votes were cast as follows:

AYES: HANKS, GOETZ, CHRISTENSEN, HEIN, CAMPBELL.

MOTION TO PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION OF SEWER DISTRICT No. 10 CARRIED UNANAMIOUSLY.

THREE PROPOSAL BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CITY BARN. Two WERE STEEL BUILDINGS 40 x 100 x 12 FEET, AND ONE WAS FOR 40 x 120 x 12 FEET. A LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF THE NEED OF SUCH A BUILDING WAS PERSUED. THE POSSIBILITY OF BUILDING A CITY BARN AND THE PROPOSAL BIDS WERE TABLED FOR THE PRESENT.

A DISCUSSION ON HOW TO CHECK AND FIND OUT IF ALL PROPERTY ADJOING SEWERS WERE BEING ASSESSED AND IF THEY WERE NOT A THOROUGH CHECK SHOULD BE MADE.

COUNCILMAN HEIN SUGGESTED THAT ALL DELINQUENT SEWER ACCOUNTS BE TURNED OVER TO THE COUNTY ASSESSOR FOR COLLECTION.

The following letters were read to the Council: Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce, directing the attention of the Council to the need of street crossing markings. Federal Housing Administration, referring to improvement of Tamarac Street (Which the city doesn't have.) Blair and Peggy Gould complaining of unfavorable oders from the dumping of sewage into the ocean at the end of Tan Bark. Mrs. Marie Allison asking about the cost of sewer lines and street improvements on property which she did not describe.

THE RECORDER WAS INSTRUCTED TO WRITE A LETTER TO BUILDING INSPECTOR NOTIFYING HIM THAT HIS SERVICES COULD NO LONGER BE USED BY THE CITY BECAUSE OF HIS INTEREST IN CONSTRUCTION WORK AS A CONTRACTOR. THAT HIS SERVICES WOULD TERMINATE AS OF JULY 15, 1960.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:00 P.M.

COUNTERSIGNED:

MAYOR

RECORDER