

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 1952

Meeting called to order at 8:15 P. M. by Mayor Dimmick.
Councilmen present: Young, Fox, Lesmeister, Smith.

Others present: Attorney Hall, Chief Brown, Engineer Echols, and Judge Nelson.

Minutes of meeting of January 15, read. ^{was} approved as read.

Letters read: Letter from Del Norte Ice & Cold Storage complementing Brookings.
Letter from Mayor Thompson of Klamath Falls relative to Jail.
Oregon State System of Higher Education concerning Traffic Court Conference.
Copy of notice ~~from~~ from State Fire Marshall relative to Kruger Bldg.
Letter from Michaels Art Bronze Co. in re parking meters.
" " Dual Parking Meter Co. " " " "
" " Park-O-Meter Co. " " " "

Motion: by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Fox that the city pay registration fee of \$20 or \$50 to Traffic Court conference at Eugene for Judge Hans Nelson to attend. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Martin of Martin's Music Co. was present to discuss his music machine setup in Brookings and to ask for reduction in city license fees for music machines. After much discussion and questioning by city councilmen as to profits made by Mr. Martin and after ~~the~~ attorney Hall had read from League of Oregon Cities License fees in different cities of Oregon,

Motion: by councilman Fox, seconded by councilman Young that license fees on music machines be set at \$15.00 per year. Vote Ayes: Lesmeister, Young, Fox, Smith. No none. motion passed.

Mayor Dimmick brought up the subject of streets and pointed out that citizens were objecting to ditches along side the street and their property. In answer to question, attorney Hall said that if flow of water is changed so that it injures someone that they would have remedy at law but he pointed out that ditching can be done to keep water in normal channels and so long as no one is injured. Councilman Lesmeister thought that if ditches should make driveways inaccessible that owner should be given notice so that he can put in culvert. Lesmeister was ~~also~~ also of opinion that the city could ~~not~~ not force people to put in culverts.

Ross Putnam was present and told of his grading of streets and the objections that had been made to ditching certain streets but he also pointed out that where streets were properly crowned the water ran off properly. The manhole on Hillside Street which extends above the street and which has caused ^{damage} ~~injury~~ to cars was discussed and Mr. Putnam told how he thought he could fix it but said he would not guarantee that it would hold but thought

it would.

Ordinance No. 14 was read by title for third time: An ordinance providing for a license fee and tax for revenue purposes on each public utility furnishing electric power and energy in the city of Brookings, Oregon and providing penalties for the violation thereof. Ordinance passed on this 22nd day of January 1952. Ayes: Lesmeister, Fox, Young and Smith, No, none.

Ordinance No. 15 was read by title for third time: An ordinance providing for a license fee and tax for revenue purposes on each public utility furnishing telephone and telegraph services in the city of Brookings, Oregon and providing penalties for the violation thereof. Ordinance passed this 22nd day of January, 1952. Ayes: Smith, Fox, Young, Lesmeister. No, none.

Attorney Hall explained that new ordinance would have to be written to replace present ordinance licensing music machines and similar devices.

Ordinance No. 16 was read in full but was deferred for corrections.

The subject of a city jail was again discussed and methods of financing it. As the city is now indebted in an amount near \$5000.00, Attorney Hall questioned the legality of the city becoming indebted any further. Councilman Smith thought that perhaps the city could use the gas tax money which the city will receive in the near future to defray the present debts and then proceed to build the jail. Further action on jail deferred for present.

Attorney Hall informed the council that he had completed Ordinance No. 17.

Motion by councilman Smith, seconded by councilman Young that ordinance No. 17 be read in full once, read twice by title, and be passed at this meeting of the council. Motion passed; Ayes: Smith, Young, Fox, Lesmeister. No, none.

Attorney Hall read ordinance No. 17 for the first time in full: An ordinance relating to and defining certain crimes against the city of Brookings, to provide penalties for violations and declaring an emergency.

Ordinance No. 17 was read the second time by title.

Ordinance No. 17 was read the third time by title.

Ordinance passed this 22nd day of January 1952: Ayes: Lesmeister, Young, Fox, Smith. No, none.

Chief Brown suggested that an ordinance be passed in re to cars abandoned on street.

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Mayor Dimmick questioned attorney Hall relative to paying withholding taxes and SIAC Attorney Hall advised that withholding could be paid without action of council as it was money withheld from employees but SIAC should receive council action.

Asked by Mayor Dimmick for report of Zoning and Planning committee, councilman Young reported that map was being prepared by Mr. Echols to aid Mr. Arp in zoning and planning the city. He explained that their plans were to zone the city so that both entrances to the city would be controlled.

Parking meters were discussed briefly but deferred for further action.

Water franchises were discussed and a special meeting was set for ~~the~~ further discussion on water ordinances.


It was reported that Mr. Ed Grootendorst had taken no action relative to connecting his place on Pacific street to the sewer.

The council decided to ~~meet~~ hold their regular meeting every two weeks. Sewers were brought up for brief discussion with reference being made by engineer Echols to C. A. Mackenzie's troubles in connecting to the sewer. Councilman Smith observed that under incorporation he was of opinion that city had right over sewer.

- Bills read: West Coast Telephone Co. \$5.30
- George Kunzman for rubber stamps \$10.45
- County Clerk \$1.00
- Ross Putnam total to date \$1073.43

Motion by Young, seconded by Fox to pay George J. Kunzman and telephone bills^{now} and Putnam bill when we have the money. Attorney Hall advised that he believed that we did not have to pay county clerk for recording fee.

Motion by councilman Fox to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 A. M. to meet again on February 5, 1952.


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