

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council

City of Brookings, Oregon

November 22, 1955

Present: Mayor Brimm

Councilmen Campbell, Breuer, Yelton and Manley

Officials: Supt. Reed, Attorney Ackley, Chief Cross,
City Recorder Mae D. Smith

Others: Charles Echols, City Engineer
Bill Thompson, Director, Civil Defense
Joe Murphy, Brookings-Harbor Pilot
Messrs. Tom McKenzie and Percy Hanks, Sewer Committee
Mrs. Byrnes, Mr. Russell Jenkins, Mr. Butler
Mr. Carter and Mr. McKeown

Meeting called to order by Mayor Brimm.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A copy of a letter dated November 9, 1955 and signed by Mayor Brimm was read. This letter was addressed to the Joint Committee on Federal Timber at Portland, Oregon and stated that the Brookings City Council was sponsoring Virgel Clark of the Brookings Plywood to represent Brookings at the Federal Timber hearing in Medford, Oregon on November 16th.

Mayor Brimm presented D. D. Williams' name for appointment to the Budget Committee. Council approved.

Mr. Murphy said that water was still flooding the basement of the Pilot Building when it rained. Mr. Reed said that the matter had been looked into and that it should be taken care of.

Mayor Brimm appointed William G. Thompson as Director of Civil Defense and the Council approved. Mr. Ackley presented Civil Defense Ordinance, No. 79. It was read once by title and in full, twice by title and the third time by title:

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A LOCAL ORGANIZATION FOR CIVIL DEFENSE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS, OREGON: PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE OF SAID CITY: PROVIDING FOR AND NAMING THE AUTHORITY AND POWERS OF SAID DIRECTOR IN HIS OFFICE, THE METHOD OF APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE ORDINARY EXPENSES OF CIVIL DEFENSE IN SAID CITY AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF CIVIL DEFENSE AID BY SAID CITY: THE ADOPTION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF 401.010 TO SECTION 401.520, INCLUSIVE, O R S AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion was made by Mr. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Yelton that the Council accept Ordinance No. 79. Carried.

Mr. Owen Carter asked for a license to sell wood from his home, which is not located in a commercial zone. The Council advised Mr. Carter that if he would deliver the wood directly from the mills a license would be issued.

Chief Cross reported that the jail was unsatisfactory for the housing of prisoners due to the seepage of water in to it. Mr. Campbell agreed to work with Chief Cross on the situation. Chief Cross also recommended a change in the heating system from butane to oil. Mr. Campbell agreed to work with Chief Cross on this matter also.

Chief Cross reported that a new patrolman, Raymond E. Switzer, had been appointed.

Chief Cross presented literature describing the "Fine-O-Meter" and stated that a representative of that company would be present at the next meeting.

A Mr. Butler and a Mr. McKeown were present and asked about Ordinance No. 22, the Green River Ordinance. Each presented his particular problem. Mayor Brimm, after discussion, suggested that they call at the City Hall the next morning in reference to the licenses.

LICENSE REPORT:

An ordinance to be ready for presentation at the next meeting.

City Recorder read a quit-claim deed executed by Donna Snyder, granting the City of Brookings a certain tract of land in Twohy Tract. Motion made by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Breuer, that the land be accepted and that the deed be recorded. Motion carried.

A letter was read by the City Recorder from Robert A. Mattson, stating that an illegal building had been erected near his property. The Council instructed Mr. Reed to take steps to have the building conform to regulations or torn down.

Ordinance No. 22 was again discussed. Following the suggestion that a screening board of five men be set up to regulate the issuance of licenses, it was decided that the matter was one for the Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Brimm stated that he would contact Mr. Grayshel about it.

Sewer Committee's Report to the Council: By Tom McKenzie

The Committee reported on a proposed financing program over a five year period and recommended a suggested list of instructions to the City Attorney as per the attached. It was further recommended that the Council give the Sewer Committee and the City Attorney the authority to seek specialized legal advice in regard to the attached list of instructions and to allow an expenditure of the necessary funds, up to a \$500.00 limit. It was further recommended, to facilitate future negotiations with the Brookings Land and Townsite Co. that the following statement be made public: "The City Council and employees in their official capacity wish

to express publicly that they are not advising their citizens in the matter of the payment of their individual sewer charges to the Brookings Land and Townsite Company."

This concluded the report of the Sewer Committee to the Council.

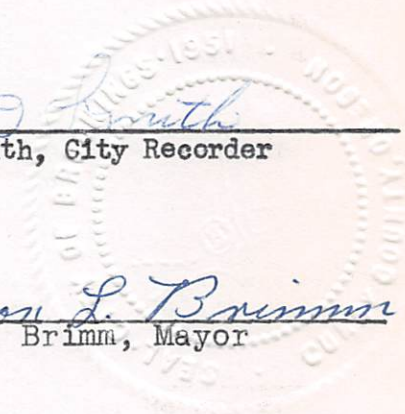
Motion was made by Mr. Breuer, seconded by Mr. Campbell, that the Council and City Attorney follow fully the Sewer Committee's instructions and recommendations. Motion carried.

Mayor Brimm asked about the Harbor-Fire District's debt to the City of Brookings. Mr. Manley said he would check into the matter.

Mr. William G. Thompson of the Board of Education reported that legal counsel from the Truckers' Association would meet with the City Council about the truck route in front of the school.

Mrs. Byrne called attention to the Brookings Land and Townsite Company's letter which was read at the last meeting. Mr. Yelton said that they had done nothing about the matter, but that a definite answer would be given at the next meeting.

Mr. Breuer made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Yelton. Meeting adjourned.


Mae D. Smith
Mae D. Smith, City Recorder

Attachment

Byron L. Brimm
Byron L. Brimm, Mayor

Suggested Instructions to the City Attorney

Gentlemen:

We recommend that the City Attorney be instructed to perform the following:

1. The committee recommends that the Council through their attorney amend or replace Ordinance 78. Particularly concerning itself within this ordinance to the following: Section 3 should read "the just and equitable surcharges - -", Class I charges be each increased to \$2.00 per month, Class II charges under A. read "\$2.00 per month", under B. to read "next three fixtures each 25¢ per month", under C. "next five fixtures each 15¢ per month", D. remains the same.

In Section 4 we recommend the use of the words "Sewer Fund" in lieu of "Sewer Charge Account, Special".

An additional section to carry this thought, that 50% of the surcharge herein above established be put into a sinking fund within the above mentioned Sewer Fund, This sinking fund to be used exclusively in the construction of a sewage treatment plant and for the purchase of the required property for such treatment plant.

In another section we recommend that a similar statement such as is contained in Section 5, (1) of Ordinance X be stated in Ordinance 78. We further recommend that the date in Section 9 of Ordinance 78 be changed to January 1, 1956.

2. We further recommend that the Attorney be instructed to write a new ordinance covering the sewer service charge. This ordinance to be similar to Ordinance 78. Establishing a service charge of 35% of the total ^{SEWER SERVICE} surcharges. The monies from the service charges to be placed in a fund known as "Sanitary Sewerage Maintenance and Operation Fund". We further recommend that the limits of the above mentioned fund be defined similarly to that wording of Section 5, (1) of Ordinance X.

3. We further recommend that the Attorney submit an ordinance similar to Ordinance X which states the opinion and intention of the City Council with regards to establishing sewers and disposal plants, and also establishing a basic sewer connection fee. Stating within this ordinance the intention of the City Council to use any surplus funds generated, to the retirement of the General Obligation bonds of the City of Brookings. The above mentioned basic connection fee is to be stated as in Section 5, (g) of Ordinance X with one exception and that is that the \$75.00 basic connection fee be increased by \$10.00 per year to a maximum of five years. In other words the fee at the second year would be \$85.00 the third year \$95.00 and reaching a maximum connection fee at the fifth year of

\$125.00. We suggest that Section 5(j) of Ordinance X be eliminated in its entirety

4. We further recommend to the Council that they direct their Attorney to determine the legal aspects of acquiring the present facility in District #1.

We are recommending to the council that they instruct their attorney to perform the foregoing at the earliest moment; to review the above mentioned ordinances with this committee and with Mr. Shuler. To place before the council on December 13, 1958 these ordinances for their passage together with such other ordinances and or information that is required to set forth a definite date for the bond election at the regular council meeting on December 13.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sewer Committee