

City of Brookings, Oregon

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
City Council, City of Brookings

December 22, 1955

Mayor Brimm called the meeting to order.

Councilmen present: Messrs. Campbell, Manley, Breuer and
Yelton.

Others: City Works Supt. Reed, Patrolman
Switzer and R.L. Jenkins

Minutes of previous meeting read. After minor corrections, minutes approved.

A discussion was had concerning the raising of the license fees for wood haulers, inasmuch as they were seen transporting heavy loads on the City streets. Mr. Breuer said that he had discussed the matter before his committee who had decided that the standing fee of \$5.00 was equitable.

Mr. Campbell reported on the repairs being made to the jail. He stated that a metal capping would be put around the top of the walls as soon as the weather permitted. He also said he had let a contract for the tank, which contract called for an expenditure of \$81.00. He has also ordered an overhead gas heater.

Mayor Brimm asked about Mr. Murry's house. Mr. Campbell said no permit had been issued. It was reported that the building was there illegally, and that Mr. Murry had received notice to that effect.

A letter dated December 19, 1955, from Elmer Bankus, addressed to Mr. T.R. Bechtel, Vice-President of Lucerta Realty Co. Inc., concerning an agreement made between them about the sewer equipment in the Woodland Park Addition to the City of Brookings, was read to the Council. No discussion was had concerning it.

A letter was read from Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, an engineering firm, dated December 17, 1955, addressed to the Mayor and City Council, City of Brookings, stating among other things, that they had reviewed the proposed Ordinances, Numbers 83 and 84, and had found them to be satisfactory.

A motion was made by Mr. Breuer, seconded by Mr. Campbell, that Ordinance No. 83 be introduced. Motion carried.

Whereupon, Ordinance No. 83:

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A SPECIAL FUND OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS, OREGON, TO BE CARRIED ON THE BOOKS OF THE CITY UNDER THE NAME OF "SANITARY SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION FUND"; PROVIDING FOR AND NAMING THE REVENUES OF THE CITY TO BE DEPOSITED IN SAID FUND; PROVIDING FOR THE METHODS TO BE USED BY THE CITY FOR RAISING SAID REVENUES; ESTABLISHING RATES AND SCHEDULES AND BASIC CONNECTION FEES FOR CONNECTIONS TO THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR A MONTHLY CHARGE FOR THE USE OF SAID SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM BY THE CONNECTING PROPERTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SURPLUS FUNDS FOR THE RETIREMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS AS THE SAME MAY HEREAFTER BE ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ITS SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM; LIMITING THE EXPENDITURES OUT OF SAID "SANITARY SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION FUND"; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was read, once by title and in full, twice by title, and thirdly by title.

Motion was made by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Breuer, that Ordinance No. 83 be put upon its final passage. AYES; Messrs. Campbell, Manley, Breuer, Yelton and Brimm. Passed.

Mr. Reed then gave a report on the progress of the billing for sewer surcharges to date. He introduced a letter explaining the billing which he proposed to send along with the first billing. Council approved the letter.

Mr. Reed also presented a schedule of computations covering sewer construction which schedule was examined by the Council and approved.

Mayor Brimm reported that he had received word from the firm of Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield that they would be ready to survey upon receipt of certain information. Mr. Reed stated that from the material now in his possession such information could be obtained, but that due to necessary revisions, it would be furnished later. Mayor Brimm asked Mr. Reed to write to Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, that it would be three more weeks before the information would be available, so that the firm could go to work in Brookings.

There was some discussion about the hiring of Mr. Lee English to dig the necessary holes to examine the existing water lines. Mr. Campbell agreed to ask Mr. English about showing the City where the holes should be dug.

Mayor Brimm asked about the eligibility of late registrants to vote on the bond issue in the Special Election. It was decided to confer with Mr. Ackley, upon his return, about this.

Mayor Brimm also asked about the setting of the date for the election. It was decided to set the date of Friday, January 20, 1956 for the election. This date was set subject

to advice from Mr. Ackley.

Motion was made by Mr. Manley, seconded by Mr. Breuer, that Ordinance No. 84 be introduced. Motion carried.

Whereupon, Ordinance No. 84:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CALLING OF A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF BROOKINGS, OREGON, ON JANUARY 20, 1956; FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE CITY THE QUESTIONS OF APPROVING OR REJECTING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY AND THE APPROVAL OR REJECTION OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ISSUE IN THE SUM OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO APPLY ON THE COSTS AND EXPENSES OF ACQUIRING AND CONSTRUCTING SAID SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM AND FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR THE PROCEDURE OF SAID SPECIAL ELECTION; THE PREPARATION OF THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS THEREOF; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

was read, once by title and in full, twice by title, and thirdly by title.

Motion was made by Mr. Breuer, seconded by Mr. Yelton that Ordinance No. 84 be placed upon its final passage. Carried. AYES: Campbell, Manley, Breuer, Yelton and Brimm.

Mayor Brimm asked about the sewer fixture survey being made in the commerical establishments of the City. Russell Jenkins, who is making said survey, reported that it was well under way and that his reception had been generally good.

Mr. Reed reported that letters had been written to Mr. Bell concerning the disposition of his building on Alder Street. A registered letter, dated November 21, 1955 from the City, had been received by Mr. Bell giving him 30 days to take some action concerning removal of said building, and notifying him that his failure to comply with this letter would result in the City's taking remedial action. Mr. Reed asked the Council for authority to so proceed. Mr. Yelton suggested that a 30 day extension be granted Mr. Bell to comply. It was then decided to give Mr. Reed authority to tear down the building after the present flood emergency was passed.

Mr. Reed presented the report of his Planning Commission Committee in regard to the Christiansen project. Mr. Reed was asked to write a letter to Mr. Christiansen inviting him to appear before the next meeting of the Council to explain what he wanted done with the project.

Mr. Yelton reported that it was nearing the time for the City insurance to be renewed and asked how the policies wereto be let. It was decided to divide the insurance business among several agents, but that fire and collision should be kept together.

A letter was read from Edith Ackley concerning alleged damages to her car arising from negligence of the City to mark a refuse heap with flares. No action was taken. Mayor Brimm stated that a lack of funds prevented the City's placing flares where needed.

Mr. Yelton asked about the rocks on Oak St. Mr. Reed reported that the City had filled the holes, notwithstanding that this was a matter within the province of the State.

Christmas cards of greeting to the City were read from Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield, from Howard-Cooper Corporation and from the Barco Supply Co.

Upon a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Manley, which motion carried, the meeting was adjourned until the 27th of December, 1955.

Adjourned.

(Signed)

Mae Smith
City Recorder

By:

Norma Van Horn

Byron L. Brimm
Byron L. Brimm, Mayor