

REGULAR MEETING OF
Canby City Council, November, 15, 1965

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

Roll Call: Present - Mayor Stefani and Councilmen Braman, Giger, Guild, Harper, Housen and Read. Absent - None.

Others Present - Supt Cox, Asst. Bentz, Attorney Bettis, Police Chief Lindsay And Fire Chief Christiansen.

Minutes of the meeting of November 1st was read and approved.

Letters from a number of the Oregon Congressional delegation were read in which receipt of Canby letters in protest to increased power rates was acknowledged.

The Council reviewed the status of the proposal to widen and improve the intersection and railroad crossing on Ivy Street. After a period of discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Braman, seconded by Read and carried unanimously that the Mayor be authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Canby an agreement with Southern Pacific Co. for widening and improvement of the North Ivy approach and crossing and that the City share in cost not to exceed \$2110 and that said costs be included in the City's next fiscal budget.

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

A motion was made by Councilman Giger, seconded by Housen and carried unanimously that renewal of the liquor license for the Willamette Valley Country Club be recommended to the State Liquor Control Commission.

A motion was made by Councilman Braman, seconded by Housen and carried unanimously that an agreement in lieu of sewer assessment, signed by Perry Bond and Jake Van Pelt, be approved and ordered filed in the County records.

The Council discussed the offer of Mrs. Mina Feyrer to allow the City to use her vacant property in Block 17 for playground purposes for the care and maintenance thereof. The Council authorized Park Commissioner Guild to talk to Mrs. Feyrer in regard to a mutual agreement on use and maintenance of the property.

Mayor Stefani called attention to the scheduled Planning Commission hearing for November 17 to consider the remodeling of the C & M A Church.

Copies of the 1964-65 audit was distributed to the officials and a letter of transmittal from the auditing firm was read.

Commissioner Read urged that construction of the electric feeder line from the PGE substation be accomplished before bad weather and reported good reports on the two new employees in the Light Dept. Supt. Cox stated that installation of new service at the High School and meter reading had held up work on feeder line temporarily.

Water Commissioner Giger reported that contractor Beck had nearly completed gravel packing the new well and that it was about ready for testing. Giger said that a letter had been sent to Beck requesting that individual time and salary information be provided to the City, relative to developing and testing of the well.

Repair and remodeling of the quonset hut in Wait Park was discussed.

Police Commissioner Housen reported that a call for bids for a police patrol car was being published for opening at the December 6th meeting. Housen read the resignation of Officer Loyd Younce, effective December 1st and giving reason as ill health and age.

The Mayor's previously appointed insurance rating study committee reported briefly on a meeting with the Rural Fire District and recommended a meeting of the District Directors with the Council in the near future. Mayor Stefani tentatively set a meeting date for 7:30 Monday November 29, in the Council Chambers.

The Council discussed numerous requests received by the Street Dept to remove or trim trees. It was agreed that the City should have a uniform tree policy which would require a study before drafting. Mayor Stefani instructed the Recorder to obtain model ordinances on the subject from the League of Oregon Cities. Attorney Bettis invited the Council's attention to a letter of policy on the subject that was submitted by him in 1957.

Mayor Stefani reported that S. E. Zweigart was ready to construct curbing along his property on S. W. 7th Avenue, proposing that the City have the work done and bill the cost to him.

Supt. Cox reported that General Electric engineers had been surveying Canby's underground electric system and compiling data for publicity, in that at least parts of the system are unique and the first installation of its kind in the nation.

A motion was made by Councilman Giger, seconded by Read and carried unanimously that the recommendation of the Wage & Hour Committee be adopted that City employees be allowed December 24 and 31 as days off with pay, as a result of Christmas and New Years falling on Saturday.

The Mayor reported an inquiry relative to street light installation in the Filbert Grove additions. Commissioner Read said such installation was in the Light Dept. planning.

Chief Lindsay reported a recent increase in the appearance of obscene signs on buildings and windows and said the police was taking steps to discourage such acts, believed to be done principally by very young children.

The Council discussed briefly a tentative program for informing the citizens regarding the need to increase the City tax base. Mayor Stefani said he had discussed the matter with several people and intended to schedule an organizational meeting in the near future.

The league convention attendance was discussed and Attorney Bettis gave a brief report on the session he had attended that day. Several persons, including the Fire Chief and Recorder, indicated intention of attending on Tuesday.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.


Mayor


Recorder