

REGULAR MEETING OF
Canby City Council, February 15, 1965.

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

Roll Call: Present - Councilmen Braman, Giger, Guild, Harper, Housen & Read.

Mayor Stefani arrived at 8:12 p.m. Absent - None.

Others Present - Sup't Cox, Asst. Bentz, Atty Bettis & Police Chief Lindsay.

Minutes of the meetings of February 1 and 8 were read and approved.

The following letters were read to the Council:

from Congressman Wendell Wyatt re: flood control on the Molalla River;

from Oregon State Sanitary Authority re: extension of garbage dump use to Mar. 10;

from Oregon Insurance Rating Bureau re: conduct of recent survey in Canby.

Ordinance No. 479, AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AN ORDINANCE AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO WATER RATES, RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CANBY CITY WATER DEPARTMENT was read on final reading by the City Attorney. A motion was made by Councilman Giger, seconded by Braman and carried unanimously by roll call vote that Ordinance No. 479 be adopted and become a part of the laws of Canby.

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

Chief Lindsay reported to the Council that plans were being completed to make use of a private kennel on South End Road for boarding impounded dogs. He also reported a bill before the legislature which if passed would require all drivers of emergency vehicles to have special state licenses. It was reported that Fire Chief Christiansen intended to attend the hearing.

Senate Bill 142 was discussed by the Council, which if passed would require that all municipal work projects costing over \$1500 be done by private contractor. A motion was made by Councilman Harper, seconded by Braman and carried unanimously that letters be directed to the State Senators of Clackamas County informing them that the Canby City Council had gone on record as opposing SB 142 and urging them to oppose the bill in the interest of municipal administration.

A motion was made by Councilman Braman, seconded by Giger and carried unanimously that a letter be directed to the Canby Kiwanis Club in appreciation for the planting of a row of sequoia trees along north First Avenue in commemoration of the Kiwanis 50th anniversary and for the club members interest in civic affairs. Mayor Stefani then exhibited a Golden Anniversary certificate from the Canby Kiwanis which had been presented to him for the City.

Charles Stricker, L.W. Crowson and Robert Torgeson appeared before the Council in the interest of selection of a site for a landfill garbage disposal. The Council committee reported that they had studied the present garbage franchise and had determined that it would have to be rewritten to delete the reference to the City's ownership of the dump and to provide for an extended expiration date, and increase in rates and an increase in revenue to the City. The Committee recommended a 5 year extension, a residential base rate of \$1.60 per month, a commercial rate with a range of \$2 to \$40 and a franchise fee of 2½% of gross.

A motion was made by Councilman Giger, seconded by Read and carried unanimously approving reimbursement to City employees engaged in sewer work, for the costs of preventative shots.

Commissioner Read reported slight damage experienced by the light department during the recent wind storm. He further reported that plans for the electrical underground installation in Country Club Estates was progressing and that \$2500 had been paid to the City by the subdividers to assist in the purchase of material. Commissioner Braman reported that assessments for the construction of a sewer main on south Knott Street were being paid at the Recorder's Office.

Commissioner Guild reported that the cemetery well would be cleaned out before the end of the month and that he had secured quotations for the pruning and spraying of trees on north First Avenue and in Wait Park. The Council discussed ways and means of financing the project as no provisions were in the current budget.

Commissioner Harper reported that the street improvement plans for the coming year had been altered to include the intersection at north First Avenue and Ivy Streets and to exclude part of S.W. 3rd Street. He urged the Council to approve the plan in the near future so that property owners could be notified to install curbs before paving time.

The Council discussed the financial picture as it pertained to the 1965-66 budget preparation and to the feasibility of putting a measure on the primary ballot in 1966 to increase the tax base in lieu of the special street levy.

The Council recognized the 72nd anniversary of the incorporation of the City and indicated interest in suggestions for a City-wide 75th anniversary celebration in three years.

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The Council continued the study of natural gas distribution. John Stewart urged the Council to make a decision soon as the expansion of his laundry facilities hinged on whether or not to expect natural gas to be available in the near future. Mayor Stefani stated that the Council was obligated to make its decision soon, and polled the Council for suggestions. Councilman Guild said he favored offering a franchise to the Northwest Natural Gas Co. to operate in the commercial and industrial areas of Canby only. Ed Bolen, Land and Claims Manager for Northwest Natural Gas Co. stated that this type of limited service would not be feasible for the Company nor would the PUC permit such classified service. Councilman Read said that he feared a monopoly if a franchise was granted to a private utility. Councilman Giger stated that he was still not ready to make a decision. The Council approved a straw ballot administered by the Canby Herald to determine the general public opinion.

Commissioner Read requested approval for Sup't Cox and Recorder Richardson to attend a Bonneville customers meeting on February 24, to which the Council granted approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.


Mayor


Recorder