

REGULAR MEETING OF  
Canby City Council, September 6, 1961.

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

Roll Call: Present - Mayor Oliver and Councilmen Giger, Housen, Markee, Osness and Stefani. Absent - Councilman Graham.  
Others Present - Attorney Bettis, Supt. Cox., Fire Chief Christiansen and Police Chief Younce.

Late Arrivals - Councilman Graham appeared at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes of the regular meeting of August 21 were read and approved.

A letter from the Bonneville Power Administration was read, approving a request to convert the City's light records and accounts to the fiscal year rather than the present calendar year basis.

The monthly report of the financial standing of the Urban Planning Project was read and noted.

Parts of a League of Oregon Cities Bulletin of August 18, was read, which pertained to State interim committees and their activities affecting City government.

The City Attorney introduced and read Resolution No. XXX, A RESOLUTION DETERMINING AND DECLARING THE DANGEROUS CONDITION OF A BUILDING AND REQUIRING ITS REMOVAL. It was moved by Councilman Giger, seconded by Stefani and carried unanimously by roll call vote that Resolution No. XXX be adopted. The recorder was instructed by the Council to forward a copy of the Resolution and a copy of the minutes of August 21, along with a letter of transmittal to the U.S. National Bank, trustee of the Bertha Dedman property, and to stipulate that said Bank notify the City of Canby within five days, of its intentions and that the Dedman Building at 336 N.W. First Avenue be demolished within a 30 day period thereafter. A copy of said letter of transmittal was ordered mailed to the Canby Kiwanis Club.

Excerpts from the minutes of the Zion Cemetery Association of April 2, 1934, pertaining to perpetual upkeep of a strip of cemetery property belonging to the original stockholders of the association, was read, as requested by Mr. John W. Koehler, who had protested to the Recorder on August 23, 1961, that the specifications of said minutes were not being adhered to. After considerable discussion of maintenance methods and watering facilities at the cemetery, the Mayor instructed the Recorder to inform Mr. Koehler that the Council were making plans to meet the requirements of his request.

Discussion followed regarding lack of cooperation and lax public relations on the part of the present cemetery caretaker. Numerous specific instances were cited by Council members and department heads of noncooperative acts and failure to respond to orders. Mayor Oliver instructed the City Attorney to write a letter to the caretaker, listing specific instructions and responsibilities, with the request that he fully accept and comply with the contents or appear before the Council and be heard.

Street Commissioner Osness reported a survey of obstructions at intersections had been made and classified. The Council agreed to notify owners of specific clearing requirements, and that City crews eliminate obstructions on City property.

The Recorder reported 32 businesses licensed to date. The committee agreed to hold a meeting prior to the next Council meeting to determine whether or not to license small businesses conducted from homes, and other questionable cases.

Monthly reports were given by the Fire Chief, Police Chief, City Recorder and Supt. of Public Works.

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

The Recorder was instructed to place ads in the Canby Herald, The Oregonian and The Enterprise-Currier, that the City of Canby would be receiving applications for the position of police officer until October 2, 1961.

Advertising for bids for a police car was postponed until next council meeting.

The Council discussed multiple utility useages and instructed the Supt. to acquire information from the League of Oregon Cities and other sources regarding the practices of determining when residential or commercial rates should apply.

The Council set the date of September 25 for a special meeting in which to hear the review of the 1960-61 audit and the auditor's recommendations.

Minutes of September 6, 1961 continued.

A motion was made by Councilman Osness, seconded by Giger and carried unanimously that the City subscribe to membership in the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers for one year at the rate of \$67.50.

Reports of a special meeting of the wage and hour committee on August 22 was that James Watkins salary be raised to 3.25 per hour and that Keith Young be paid 3.00 per hour. No action was taken at the time. Supt. Cox reported that a personnel problem still existed in the electrical department which might necessitate emergency meetings of the wage and hour committee.

The Supt. announced that all costs of repairs to utilities resulting from the highway 99-E widening project, were being accumulated and would be billed to the contractor.

Supt. Cox presented a map showing the area outside the city limits that PGE suggested be electrically served by the City. The Council tabled the matter and instructed the light committee to seek a negotiation with Bonneville Power Administration for increased rates to those customers.

Cemetery caretaker Yoder appeared before the Council to request permission to have the cemetery pickup overhauled and to have some grading done at the cemetery before seeding. Mayor Oliver told Yoder that these items had been discussed by the Council and Supt. Cox had been instructed to oversee the work.

The Mayor reported on the civil defense meeting on August 29 and commented favorably on the interest shown.

Finance Commissioner Markee reported that the ways and means of financing a water storage project was under study and appeared to be feasible.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

Earl Oliver

Mayor

J. Richardson

City Recorder.