

City of Omaha  
Council Meeting  
February 2012

The regular monthly council meeting was called to order by Mayor Jake Arnold. All council members were present: Lorene Roberts, Lisa Heston, Orville Lippe, Emmett Fickes and Robin Tilton. Also present: Roy Huston/Water Supervisor.

Guest: Dalton Arnold

\*The minutes were distributed and discussed. Jake mentioned the heater for the fire dept. Robin mentioned that it was suppose to be ordered nearly a month ago, there had been a delay, but it had arrived and was in the building. Lorene mentioned the installation on the heater. Robin mentioned that he would get with the fire dept. and work something out. A motion was made by Lisa, seconded by Robin to accept the minutes for the previous month. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

\*The financial reports for both the city and the water were distributed and discussed. A motion was made by Emmett, seconded by Lorene to accept the financial reports for both the city and the water dept. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

New Business:

\*Jake mentioned the proposed budget for 2012. Robin mentioned it being done like last year. Gina mentioned that she figured everything that was spent and received and the budget was based on those figures. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by Robin to accept the proposed city and street fund budget for 2012. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

Jake mentioned that Kenneth Taylor had came by two weeks ago and brought the estimate of \$85,450.00 for the storm shelter. Jake also mentioned that he had put in the estimate for a refrigerator and a stove, but has taken it out because there is a refrigerator in the old city bldg. Jake mentioned that the he was told that the money would have to be gave back if the city did not do something right away. Jake also mentioned that he spoke with Tim Mays and let him know that the city would pay \$6,300.00 so that the city could keep the money. Jake mentioned that the \$6,300.00 is the difference between Kenneth's estimate (\$85,450.00) and the amount of (\$77,500.00) for the grant. Jake also mentioned that the price did not cover the cost of a generator for the storm shelter; but that one could be purchased at a later time. Jake mentioned that the \$6,300.00 would not only cover the cost of the storm shelter, but also the cost of a new roof for the old city bldg. as well. Lorene mentioned Kenneth over seeing the construction. Jake mentioned that Cassie would over see it and that before any payments were made that Cassie would make sure that the work was done right. Jake mentioned that Tim mentioned that a 15 kw generator would be able to support the shelter and that the city could go to a 25 kw if the city thought a larger size was needed. Lorene mentioned how long it would take to get started. Jake mentioned that he did not know for sure how long it would take. Jake mentioned that Tim Mays had mentioned that it was a done deal and that he was just waiting to here back from him. Jake also mentioned that Cassie had mentioned that there were some other places that she could try and the rest of the money needed but that she was unable to get the \$6,300.00. Robin mentioned the generator and the pad for the new well. Jake mentioned that all the paperwork was signed and that the contractor was the one working on the school and that he would need a good day; and there had been some since he talked to him. Jake also mentioned that it would take two payments to pay for the generator and the pad.

Lorene mentioned that the street lights were out by her house. Gina mentioned that she had faxed a list to Entergy on Jan. 11, 2012. Gina also mentioned that she would call them again Feb. 7, 2012 and let them know that the lights were not repaired as was told to her on Thursday Feb. 2, 2011.

\*Lorene mentioned that the General fund had \$26,000.00 dollars in it and that after the city paid the \$6,300.00 difference the General would have around \$20,000.00 dollars left in it. Jake mentioned that the General fund amount did not include this months monies. Lorene mentioned getting a truck for the water dept. Jake mentioned that the city was still looking for one. Lorene mentioned that she had found one with 49,000 miles on it but she could not remember the cost, she had also found one for \$23,000.00 that had 17,000 miles on it. Jake mentioned the amount that was to be spent on the truck. Orville mentioned that a four wheel drive was not needed, because it would only be used 3 days a year. Lisa mentioned that the dump truck could be used for a backup. Robin mentioned that he thought some work needed to be done to the white truck. Emmett mentioned that Jim could look at it. Robin mentioned to Roy the things wrong with the truck. Roy mentioned that the steering is very loose and that maybe there was some front end work like bearings that needed to be fixed. Roy also mentioned that some times when bill has the truck for five days at a time, there is a need for another truck; because he has been using his. Lorene mentioned Roy getting paid for mileage. Roy mentioned only when he turns it in. Lorene mentioned that he should turn it in. Lorene also mentioned that there is in no hurry but the city should start looking. Emmett mentioned finding a good deal on one. Lisa mentioned that she works for a bank and that they have reposed trucks. A motion was made Lorene, seconded by Lisa to start looking for a truck for the water dept. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

Jake mentioned that the dump truck money could start coming out of the General and the Street instead of the General and the Water Dept. Lorene mentioned that the loan was being divided between the Water Dept. and the General right now. Lorene also mentioned that she did not think it was a good idea to take the money out of the street because the fire dept. was looking at getting some land and would put a new fire station on it, then the street would lose that income. Gina mentioned that the water did not have any trouble making the payment, but the street would go sixty dollars in the hole if the rent was lost and the loan payment was made out of that account too. Lorene mentioned that there were some streets that needed to be repaired. Orville mentioned that there were a few that had pot holes. Robin mentioned the ally by Pearl Truelove and how there would have to be some major road work done there. Jake mentioned that the water would drain right in her yard, that is why nothing was ever done with it. Lorene mentioned the street in the trailer park. Jake mentioned that it was not in the city limits, and that there had been a law suit over it. Jake also mentioned that the general and the water should just continue paying half of the loan.

Orville mentioned that the city may need to get some type of security because there are somethings going on. Emmett mentioned a security person so they could keep an eye out and call and get a hold of a deputy. Emmett also mentioned someone tried to set a truck a fire behind the church. Robin mentioned that some people had mentioned to him that there were some kids hanging out in post office late of a night and people were afraid to go in and get their mail. Emmett mentioned someone is needed that would have a radio so they could call the deputy. Emmett also mentioned that the renter in the Rose rental property has been shooting a gun and that there is no reason. Robin mentioned that maybe the city should get another part time police man. Orville mentioned talking to Danny Hickman about someone.

Lorene mentioned the fuel spill at the Josh Stewart place that happened a week ago Saturday. Lisa mentioned that it is a environmental matter. Lorene mentioned that John Simperts had turned it in. Roy mentioned that they had called in a locate for the Josh Stewart and that he found out that the Operations

Emergency Management was called. Orville mentioned that he thought that Richardson Oil Company owned the tanks. Lisa mentioned that she had access to an environmental website and that she would look it up. Jake mentioned that he would call Gina in the morning with number for a Michael Schmidman. Roy mentioned that he had the number for him.

\*No further business before the council. A motion was made by Robin, seconded by Lorene to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. 5/Ayes

Jake Arnold/Mayor

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Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.

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