

City of Omaha
Council Meeting

December 5, 2011

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

*The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and discussed. Lisa mentioned that there was a mistake when the robbery of the MacDonald property was mentioned, it should have said wiring instead of piping. A motion was made by Emmett, seconded by Lisa to accept the minutes with the correction. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Old Business:

Jake mentioned that Gina was not going to be able to attend the Christmas party. Jake mentioned having the party on Saturday. Lisa mentioned that the date should be changed, because Gina should be there. Orville mentioned that everyone should just eat double. Lorene mentioned that she hated for Gina to miss the party. Lorene also mentioned having the party on a different night, such as Thursday. Gina mentioned that she would call them and see about getting it changed to one of those days, but if not it would just stay on Friday Dec. 9, 2011.

Jake mentioned that Gina could not get a hold of Laverda or Bueford. Orville mentioned that Bueford was all for it, but that Laverda was not. Emmett mentioned that he had someone that works with her ask if she would sign the papers and she had told this person that she did not want to sign, but she wanted to lease the property to the city. Roy mentioned that the land was given to the city in good faith. Lisa mentioned that she would talk to her friend that worked in a title company.

Lisa mentioned the filing cabinets that were purchased in Little Rock. Gina mentioned that they were very nice and that had made a lot more room. Gina also mentioned that Robb Hulsey and herself had gotten the police dept. cleaned up.

Lorene mentioned the heater for the fire dept. Gina mentioned that Robin had been by to say that the man from the heater company would be by Thursday, but he never showed.

Lisa mentioned something happening to the white truck, because a tow truck had been seen around it. Roy mentioned that have been a mistake, because nothing was wrong with the truck.

*The financial reports for the city and the water dept. were distributed and discussed. Lorene mentioned that there was an error in the amount of total deposits which should be the amount of \$1,354.34. Gina mentioned that she probably looked at the wrong line. Lisa mentioned the fuel bill from Wild Bills, why was it so much and who was buying fuel. Gina mentioned that the bill was for August through November. Lorene mentioned that they had done the same thing to the fire dept. Gina also mentioned that Bill, Rick and Roy were able to buy fuel, but the fuel had been purchased by either Bill (for reading meters and doing turn off/on) or by Rick for everyday chores. Roy mentioned that he did not purchase fuel there because he did not think it was right, that the fuel needed to be purchased in Omaha at a local store. Lisa mentioned the business card with cell phone minutes and parts. Gina mentioned that the cell phone minutes were for a track phone for Bill, because he might need something while out reading meters and that the parts were things that I did not what they were.

Roy mentioned that they were parts for the backhoe. A motion was made by Emmett, seconded by Lorene to accept the financial reports for both the city and the water dept., with the correction. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

New Business:

*Jake mentioned the bids for the generator and that the lowest one was for \$49,427.00. Jake also mentioned that the water dept. would only be out of pocket \$1835.00. Jake mentioned that the council needed to vote on accepting this grant. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by Emmett to accept the grant and the bid for a generator and that the water dept. would pay \$1,835.00. All in favor.

Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Roy mentioned that the new well could supply everyone with water.

Jake mentioned the storm shelter grant and that it had been way over bid so this grant would need to be rejected by the council. Jake also mentioned that he had spoke to Tim Mays and that the city could vote to hire the contractors and that as long as it was for the \$77,850.00, the city would get its money for the storm shelter. Jake mentioned that he had spoke to Kenneth Taylor and that he was going to get the cost of the shelter together and then the council could vote to use him. Lorene mentioned the contractors being bonded. Jake mentioned that as long as they were insured it would be fine. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by Orville to reject the storm shelter grant and the bids for the storm shelter construction. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Jake mentioned using the city backhoe to find the septic in order to reduce costs. Roy mentioned that Rotor Rooter had cameras that could be used to find it and it might be cheaper.

Lorene mentioned looking for a truck for the water dept. Jake mentioned that it had been voted on to get one and that Ben Eddings had told him that they would keep their eye out for one and let him know.

*No further business before the council. A motion was made by Emmett, seconded by Orville to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned. 4/Ayes

Jake Arnold/Mayor

Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.
