

City of Omaha
Council Meeting
May 7, 2018

The regular monthly council meetings called to order by Mayor Leslie King. Council members present: William Atchison, Laura King, Lorene Roberts and Orville Lippe. Absent: Emmett Fickes
Also present: Dalton Larson/water supervisor.

The minutes from the previous meeting distributed and discussed. William mentioned that there were a few corrections that needed to be made to the minutes. One was on page 3 line 4. Lorene mentioned that there was another correction on page 1 under old business first paragraph by the amount of \$250. Gina mentioned that she would correct the minutes. A motion was made by William seconded by Lorene to accept the minutes. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

The financial reports for the water department and the City were distributed and discussed. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by William to accept the financial reports for both the water and the city. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Old Business:

Leslie mentioned that the City Hall had been sprayed for bugs. Gina mentioned that Fitton termite and pest control had the lowest bid. Gina also mentioned that their quarterly price was included in this first invoice. Gina mentioned that we had termites, piss ants and acrobat ants.

Leslie mentioned that Chris had started as the Omaha school resource officer and that this school was paying his wages through the city. Gina mentioned that she had turned all of the city employment records over to the CPA because Chris wanted a W-2 and not a 1099. Gina also mentioned that because the school was paying the wages to the city and needed to make sure that nothing would be wrong at the end of the year. Lorene mentioned giving more hours to Chris once school was out. Orville mentioned him having more hours maybe working more at night. Leslie mentioned that Chris was only allowed to work 20 hours a week as a police officer and that it was something to do with being a reserve deputy. Leslie mentioned that the government was releasing funds and that the school would probably want Chris full time next year.

New Business:

Leslie mentioned that on April 17 Gina, Dalton and himself had went to the meeting in Little Rock with Arkansas Natural Resource Commission. Leslie also mentioned that they did not take the check for the loan payment that wanted us to keep it until December to draw interest. Gina mentioned that the meeting went well and that they really seemed to help us for the simple fact that we didn't ask for money we only asked for time. Gina also mentioned that we met with Mark Bennett and Dave Fenter. Leslie mentioned that Tim Mays spoke of the principle of forgiveness. Gina mentioned that there was 4 to 6 months worth of paperwork that had to be done and that it had only been started. There was a lengthy discussion. Leslie mentioned the meters, well house repair and tank restoration. Don't mention the meters at a 20 year warranty and no moving parts and if someone ran over them they would replace it. Gina mentioned if we get the money from Arkansas natural resources they will pick where the meters come from. Leslie mentioned that he thought the meeting went very well. Lorene mentioned what happens if the water system doesn't pay their loans. Dalton mentioned that in Pyatt they turn the water on three times a week and they don't pay any of the bills. Gina mentioned that they will take a

water system over that they do not like to because it cost them more money in the long run and they have to hire someone to run it. Leslie mentioned that if we don't get any money from Arkansas natural resources commission then Tim Mays does not get paid.

Leslie mentioned going to the state surplus and that the city picked up some metal chairs, projector screen, a table, a desk for the police department and to gray chairs.

Leslie mentioned going to the federal surplus and that there was a filing cabinet with key, boots, masks and emergency blankets purchased.

Leslie mentioned the water department update. Gina mentioned that there had been some bad samples from the groundwater and that he had not been treated by chlorine. Gina also mentioned that new samples had been taken and that they had back bad because Dalton was gave the wrong information. Gina mentioned that new samples have been taken and that everything had come back clean. Dalton mentioned that the sample had come back with E. coli and that he had taken 10 more and that they were all bad and that he had been gave the wrong information that it had nothing to do with the water itself. Dalton mentioned that the Arkansas Department of Health was coming this month to do their water or sanitation survey. Dalton mentioned that there was a gentleman who was wanted water Sophies Place and that there are no water lines there. Dalton also mentioned that this water was on SW Boone and that we would not be making any money off of this water. Gina mentioned that the real estate agent had called and that she had told him that there were no water lines there and that he called Dalton and had him come out and Dalton told him that there were no water lines there and that if he wanted water he would have to pay to get it there but it would be more trouble than it was worth and cost more money than drilling a well. Dalton mentioned that he has not heard from him since. Lorene mentioned them coming back on the water department for not supplying water. William mentioned that that would go back to the real estate agent and not the water department. Lorene and William mentioned that we should not worry about it at that they do not get water.

Leslie mentioned the street update. Leslie mentioned that he had called Joneses and that they had not answered if he had his calls, so he called Dilabek to get a bid for Jefferson Street and that they were supposed to be here tomorrow or Thursday. Lorene mentioned that she could not believe how hard it is to get someone up here to get this street paved. Leslie mentioned that they thought they could get it done before winter and they didn't and now they have other jobs that need to be done.

Lorene mentioned if all the roofs were done. Gina mentioned that the roof at the fire station was not. Dalton mentioned that he spoke to his uncle and that he was supposed to start on it next week or the week after.

Laura mentioned that the fire department had requested that when the roof is being repaired at the fire station that did not park there trailer in front of the bay doors. Gina mentioned why it would make a difference because all the firefighters had parted from the bay doors last week with their personal vehicles. Lorene mentioned that she had seen it too.

Leslie mentioned the meeting at Diamond City. Gina mentioned that she enjoyed the meeting because she learned things. Lorene mentioned that the one thing she didn't learn at the meeting was that you could not go into executive session for being sued. Gina mentioned that you can only go into executive session for hiring and firing. Lorene mentioned that we cannot make the fire department do what they're supposed to at their meetings. There was a lengthy discussion.

Leslie mentioned that there needs to be a custodian for all the paperwork for the city. A motion was made by William, seconded by Lorene for Gina to be the custodian over all the paperwork for the city. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

There was a lengthy discussion over the freedom of information act.

William mentioned that he would ask for financial report and minutes where the land was purchased from the fire department. William also mentioned that if they refuse to give it to them that he would mention the freedom of information act. William mentioned that they were using public five that he would ask for all records of financial contributions that are taken in and that they have to supply him with a copy within three days.

Lorene mentioned that a letter needed to be sent to Robin Tilton because his lawn needs to be mowed. Laura mentioned that the land behind Johnny and Peachy's house had turned into a landfill, it was full of white trash bags and now they have it ripped open and it's all just laying back there. Laura also mentioned that they have no idea who has dumped back there. Lorene mentioned that the house on the Cave property and that the ceiling is falling down and that it needs to be condemned.

Orville mentioned that he had got some more gravel to go by peeweess.

Dalton mentioned that he had classes at June and that he would be gone on vacation during July 4.

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

Leslie King/Mayor

Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.
