

City of Omaha  
City Council Meeting  
June 5, 2017

The regular monthly council meeting was called to order by Mayor Leslie King. Council members present: Lorene Roberts, William Atchison, Laura King and Emmett Fickes Absent: Orville Lippe Also present: Troy Burlison/Police Dept./Dalton Larson/Water Supervisor

Guests: Randy Reddell/ORFA  
Gabby King

\*The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and discussed. Leslie mentioned that if the Jones company could not do Washington St. that the guy that is doing the streets in Omaha said he would do it. Leslie also mentioned that the street posts were purchased from the City of Green Forest, because the county would not sell them to the public. Gina mentioned that she called Mr. Hathaway and that they will sell to towns because we are municipality. A motion was made by William, seconded by Lorene to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

\*The financial reports for both the city and the water were distributed and discussed. Lorene mentioned the shelter being rented three times. Lorene also mentioned that the haul bill. Leslie mentioned that the gravel was for Jefferson and Washington St. Leslie also mentioned that the HWY Dept. was good and that they would resurface Washington St. Lorene mentioned the loan for College st. Gina mentioned that the street was still paying for it and that it was down to \$15,000.00. Leslie mentioned Collins Street and that it was going to go down to Lorene's bushes and that Jefferson Street would be finished in the circle behind the church. Maureen mentioned being able to drive around on 1<sup>st</sup>. Street by Betty Lenards. Lori and also mentioned that the 911 address for Boutte was wrong and that they had her on 1<sup>st</sup>. Street and not Collins Street. A motion was made by Laura, seconded by Lorene to accept the financial ports for both the city and the water department. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Old business:

Laura mentioned getting trailer for backhoe. Leslie mentioned that all the ones that had been found were too expensive.

New business:

Leslie mentioned that there was a new business in Omaha that was applying for a beer license and that the letter arrived today. Lorene mentioned that it was the old Turney place. Troy mentioned that they usually pay taxes to the state and the city's. Troy also mentioned that there is a period of time or people can voice their opinions. Laura mentioned if they had been told they could get one or did they just apply for it. Troy mentioned that they had applied for it. Leslie mentioned on site drinking only. Lorene mentioned letting the public know about that. Troy mentioned it would have to be a big case against them for them not to get it. Troy also mentioned there would have to be a documented reason for not getting it. Troy mentioned that the boat dock and restaurant sold alcohol in Diamond City. Troy also mentioned that the city had a 1% sales tax which is not much. Troy also mentioned that there is a \$250 fee for the license and that is half of what the state charges. Lorene mentioned the County Sheriff and the County judge. Troy mentioned that it probably wouldn't do any good to write anything

at all. Troy also mentioned speaking with the owners on on policies and protocol and have a meeting with them and the mayor. Troy mentioned a resolution for support of it or one where they do not support. Lorene mentioned that she is not for. Troy mentioned sending a personal letter. Troy also mentioned that there are no zoning laws so there is nothing that can be done. Laura mentioned how soon would they get the license. Randy mentioned that there would be more cost for the fire department because of accidents. Troy mentioned writing a letter and that there needed to be a real reason for why they should have it or why they should not. Lorene mentioned the questions that would be asked. Leslie mentioned the hours that they would be in operation what they were going to do about Sunday's and what was the protocol for unruly customers and what would be done. Troy mentioned that they are bonded to service and to do their duties and this was for the fire department and the police department. Lorene mentioned the fee and could the city charge them. Troy mentioned that there had to be an ordinance for all future businesses. Laura mentioned when people could be cut off. Troy mentioned a portable PVT breath test machine, but people are different. Leslie mentioned their selling food too. Troy mentioned that they would probably stop selling by one or two in the morning. Troy also mentioned getting a petition on the ballot so that there would have to be a certain time. Troy mentioned that there would need to be a meeting and letting the mayor know the outcome.

\*Leslie mentioned turning the floor over to Randy from the ORFA. Randy mentioned that there is a week in the bathroom at the old City Hall. Randy also mentioned the April electric bill and the May electric bill and wanting a refund. Gina mentioned that she talked to Randy and that they were just want to call it even. Randy mentioned getting aftermarket radio wave garage door openers for \$40 or \$45 and that they had better ratings. Leslie mentioned them being installed. Randy mentioned the city paying for them or going in half. Leslie mentioned buying one and trying to. Randy agreed as long as the switch worked they would work. A motion was made by Laura, seconded by William to purchase for remotes for the garage doors in the ORFA. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Randy mentioned there was no news on the track or maybe trading it for rent and that the board was good with that part. Randy also mentioned that they are getting in a new pump truck this week. Lorene mentioned that they did not have enough members on the fire department. Randy mentioned that on June 24 they were having their fish fry. Randy thanked the council and the mayor for their time. Leslie thanked Randy for coming.

Leslie mentioned the police update. Troy mentioned that there had been several cases of fleeing an arrest. Troy also mentioned that everything had been taken care. Troy mentioned that the ordinance was almost finished. Troy mentioned having a special meeting. Troy also mentioned that the ordinance needed to be put in place so that people could pay their fines here in the city instead of to the county. Troy mentioned that the tickets had been ordered and that he would also like to send a self addressed stamped envelope so they could mail their fine in instead of having to come to the office. Troy also mentioned that the ordinance really need to be adopted. Troy mentioned that the fines were not paid to the city than they would be turned over to the county and people could be held 24 hours or bond out. Troy also mentioned getting the revenue coming in so the city could get another part time police officer to take up the slack. Emmett mentioned that Troy needed more hours. Troy mentioned that he would work the same amount of hours no matter what. Troy also mentioned that the county calls have went down and that the speeding through town has went down as well. Troy mentioned getting another person so they were covered. Lorene mentioned the hours needed 1-20. Troy mentioned that was right and that he had been going to the sobriety checkpoints. Troy mentioned getting another police car for \$2000. Lorene mentioned the cop car from the county. Troy mentioned that they were not going to give us one they sold them all. Leslie mentioned going to the surplus. Gina mentioned that she would call the surplus Tuesday. Troy mentioned that he had called the Omaha three times in one day. Troy

also mentioned that the part-time officer would probably be closer because crime usually gets worse in some. Troy also mentioned that the police car window needed to be fixed and that the key on made the wipers run all the time and that the car had to be jumped. Gina mentioned using the maintainer. Troy mentioned that they would try to. Troy mentioned having a meeting with Emmett folks because he really wanted to talk to them. Lorene mentioned the timing for the ordinance. Troy mentioned that it would be about a week. Troy also mentioned that there had been a motorcycle out running the police and that they were going to try to wait and catch him.

\*A motion was made by William seconded by Lorene to have the special meeting when the ordinance is done. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Troy mentioned the hours to Emmett and explain the situation. William mentioned the car first and then the cop. Troy mentioned the budget for the police car. Lorene mentioned getting a car that was real cheap but real good. Troy mentioned that the car would be a good investment. Laura mentioned \$2500 and that diamond city had got a 50-50 grant to get their car. There was a lengthy discussion.

Leslie mentioned the water department update. Dalton mentioned that the lead and copper samples were done. Leslie mentioned them being done at random places. Dalton mentioned that they are not done at random people's places but there are 30 to choose from. Dalton also mentioned that the new well had shut down during the lightning. Leslie mentioned that it was the sub monitor and that lightning had ran in on it.

Lorene mentioned the water leak at the first Baptist Church house. Gina mentioned that the Frances have known about the leak. Dalton mentioned that he could fix it and that he had mentioned to them that he thought it was the tree roots.

Lorene mentioned to Dalton that he should have told the council he was going on vacation. Dalton mentioned that he would for sure next time and that he had told Gina. Lorene mentioned the criteria for when he is gone. Dalton mentioned that he had taken care of it like he had Zack who lives across from the water tank and that he likes to help out and has helped put in the water lines in. Laura mentioned who was liable if someone he had working got hurt. Dalton mentioned that he didn't know. Lorene mentioned that no one should be working in Leicester city has a contract with them. Troy mentioned having every contract laborers sign a contract. Dalton mentioned getting someone else. Troy mentioned that whoever it was needed to sign the contract that way that they were liable for themselves. Lorene mentioned them having their own insurance that way they would be responsible.

Gina mentioned that she was going on vacation on July 4 through the 15<sup>th</sup> if that was all right with the Council. Dalton mentioned that Zack could run the Backhoe too. Leslie mentioned that if he signs a contract he will be our right with the city. Dalton mentioned wanting to get a part-time helper because he was planning on retiring from the water department and that if he could give them half salary than someone else would know the water system. Leslie mentioned that it would be good for someone to know the water system. Troy mentioned that there is no one if something happens to Dalton ordered Troy but if they have an extra person there would be someone else to take over. Orville mentioned the same thing would go for Gina.

Lorene mentioned the mowing and that Mary McCarver's place and the one next to it really needed to be done. Gina mentioned that she had the letters typed out but that they had not been mailed yet. Lorene mentioned the dog ordinance and that there were several dogs running around town. Troy mentioned an ordinance for inhospitable ordinance and that it would consist of not being reasonable to live in. Laura mentioned mental stability. Laura and Lorene mentioned that they would be all for that.

Laura mentioned the ordinance and doing it right now. Leslie mentioned that the city needed have a sample of one first. Troy mentioned that it would have to be read three times and ran in the paper. Troy also mentioned that it will pass because it will have an emergency clause. Lorene mentioned fining them. Troy mentioned that they would find them they would have 3 to 10 days and that it was a civil matter and that they would need an ex parte day than physically remove them. Troy also mentioned that the fine will stimulate them to pay. Troy also mentioned it will have more law behind it.

Lorene mentioned not paving both sides of the light pole on Collins Street. Lorene also mentioned that is used every day and that people are going to be mad.

Laura mentioned the cost the pavilion in the park. Gina mentioned that it was \$20.

Laura mentioned to Troy that we really needed the ordinance. Troy mentioned that there needed to be a staple of ordinances done. William mentioned that they would probably not be needed. Troy mentioned having a baseline for the town. Troy also mentioned that he would recommend some and talk to the people if they trust you it's all good and that he will find out what the penalties.

\*No further business before the Council. A motion was made by, Lorene seconded by Laura To adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned. 4/Ayes

Leslie King/Mayor

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Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.

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