

City of Omaha
Council Meeting

March 4, 2019

The regular monthly council meeting was called to order by Mayor Leslie King. Roll called. Council members present: Mike Roberts, William Atchison, Lorene Roberts and Laura King/ Absent: Orville Lippe

Guests:

RJ Ruyon/renting city property

Gabby King

Leslie mentioned that Mr. RJ Ruyon was here and turned the floor over to him. Mr. Ruyon mentioned that he would like to rent the old gas station with the glass windows in front. Leslie mentioned that it was Peewee's. Mr. Ruyon mentioned that was a EMT for three years and that he has a tree equipment service, the equipment is sent all over the United States; the company is growing and is helping tree crews work with insurance companies, the adjuster calls and then a crew is sent out. Mr. Ruyon also mentioned that his business is not open to the public, it would be used for the secretary to do paperwork and make phone calls, he has a office in his home(which is off of Old Lowery on Warden In) but she is married and has a child and Mr. Ruyon mentioned that he is not married and that he needs some place where they can be seen, because he is a Christian and does not want rumors and he wants accountability. Mr. Ruyon also mentioned that she would work 20 hours a week. Mr. Ruyon mentioned that we could still use the building for storage. Leslie mentioned that Peewee's was not for rent because it has no running water or toilets. Leslie also mentioned that there was another building that might be for rent it is by Angie's store. Lorene mentioned that John Chrisman's mother was living there. Leslie mentioned that it was Kyle from Load N Go that had the building. Leslie mentioned that there are coon hunting club meetings there every few months. Leslie also mentioned that he was sorry that it could not be rented. Mr. Ruyon thanked the council. The council thanked him and he left the meeting.

The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and discussed. Lorene mentioned that there were a couple of corrections. Page 2, Par 3/Page 4/Par4. A motion was made by Mike, seconded by William to accept the minutes with the corrections. All in favor. Motioned carried. 4/Ayes

The financial reports were distributed and discussed. Leslie mentioned that the check for ORFA was paid he forgot to turn it in. Mike mentioned that he had question on the Semi-Annual reports, about the amounts of things. Gina mentioned that the amounts are for a six month period. Mike mentioned what was the Money Market account for. Gina mentioned that it is for paying loans to ANRC. A motion was made by Mike, seconded by William to accept the financial reports for both the city and the water dept. All in favor. 4/Ayes.

Old Business:

Leslie mentioned that there is four lights that needed to be repaired and 2 upgrades and that Entergy never showed up. Mike mentioned that there needed to be a light by Angie's old building real bad. Leslie mentioned that Entergy was working on the light by Jeff, but that there is nothing wrong with it. Mike mentioned that Maple St. needed one. Leslie mentioned that Entergy is supposed to put one on the pole by Peachy and Johnny's place. William mentioned that the people that put the light on the pole control the pole. Leslie mentioned that we could have the light put on there. William mentioned that the pole belongs to a customer. Leslie mentioned that the pole is a city pole. Gina mentioned that Entergy told her three different times that it was a paid pole and not a city pole. Mike mentioned asking them if we could have it if it was not being used. Leslie mentioned Michael Holt had shot the one by his house and right down from his house.

Leslie mentioned William propane and that tank is gone and that another tank will need to be bought. William mentioned that the tank that is there now was the same tank and that they had just moved and never hooked the gas lines up. Leslie mentioned that he was going to meet with a guy Tuesday.

William mentioned that three quarters of the toilet lid is there and that it was not brought up at the meeting but that when it did get brought up that he would let them know that the City had nothing to do with it getting broken. Lorene mentioned that they will expect the city to pay for it. William mentioned that the ants would have to wait until the weather was warmer so they could be detoured. Mike mentioned that Leslie, Gina Steve and he were present when the exterminator was there and we were all told what needed to be done.

Leslie mentioned that the heater for Gina's office had been fixed. Mike mentioned it working. Gina mentioned that it was working very well and that it had put heat in the bathroom also.

New Business:

Leslie mentioned that Chris's signs for the school had come in. Mike mentioned that he had put children playing sign up. Leslie mentioned that there needed to be one by the church. Leslie mentioned that four signs were purchased.

Leslie mentioned the Police Dept. Update. Troy mentioned that he received a letter from his doctor that he was able to return to work in March. Mike mentioned his hand still being sore. Troy mentioned that it was but that it was better than it was. Troy also mentioned that there had one arrest and had to collect evidence and that it cannot be stored at the county any more. There was a lengthy discussion. Chris mentioned that the prosecuting attorney was going to try and get some money for storage. A motion was made by William, seconded by Mike to use \$500.00 to help with some type of storage. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Troy mentioned that Chris had been become of the new President over the Boone County Reserves so that it can be restructured and Troy will be doing the training for the Reserves and try reestablishing their relationship with the County Sheriff Dept. Troy also mentioned that he and Chris will be taking part in Arkansas Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ACASA) to develop a CoSAR Team for our community,

CoSAR stands for Council on Sexual Assault Response and is a community focused team that provides support and resources to our local emergency responders, medical providers, and victim service providers who serve victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Troy mentioned that the Committee is run by April Plunk. Chris read the letter to the council a copy of the letter will be included with the minutes. Chris mentioned that there is a meeting March 5th. At 12:00. Troy mentioned that the Mayor should come. Chris mentioned that he does not see in the community but he has seen it at school. Troy mentioned that he has seen it the community. Leslie mentioned that bettered women's shelter. Troy mentioned that it is in the old (old) jail across from the Harrison jail. Troy also mentioned that he has worked with them at the women's shelter.

Troy mentioned that Chris has been the Coordinator for the Search and Rescue. Chris mentioned giving the volunteers the credit and thanks them. Troy mentioned that he is working on special classes. Chris mentioned that working with North Ark Ambulance Service on active shooter to teach the kids CPR and EMT to spark the kids to join the medical field. Chris also mentioned that incase of mass casualties they will be able to help, someone is needed in the first 20 minutes. Troy mentioned that the young are not replacing Police Dept and Fire Dept. Leslie mentioned that a guy had a seizure at WalMart and Laura's sister called for help. Troy mentioned that this one of Diamond Cities biggest programs. Troy also mentioned that Brianna took the class for three years, and that him and his family was at Colton's Steak House and there was a bad wreck and that she knew exactly what to do. Mike mentioned that Eastern Taney County needed to be called if there was accident at the state line and that TSA could be called also. Leslie mentioned when the class would start. Chris mentioned that if they put in for it now then it would start next year. Chris also mentioned that it would be during the 3rd hour during the advisory class and that all the administrators are on board. Troy mentioned that Bergman has trauma kits to stop the bleeding. Troy also mentioned free active shooter and stop the bleeding classes. Troy mentioned that the our Congressman had been to Hard Target and that next week Attorney General would be coming to Hard Target. Troy also mentioned working with battered woman to help them have the steps to get out. Mike mentioned if Arkansas was trying to pass a bill to rid of guns. Troy mentioned that he did not think so but that there was a Bill before the House to resolve the carry and conceal and open stand ground law; you would longer have to flee or run but that this could cause needless murders. Mike mentioned that they should not be in your house. Troy mentioned that people needed to use common sense. Troy also mentioned that he tries to stay abreast on everything for the community.

Lorene mentioned Rick Gross's house. Troy mentioned that he spoke to Steve Grady and they need the ordinances so they can be sent certified or hand delivered the letter. Troy also mentioned that after thirty days then it can be taken to the Prosecutor Office. Mike mentioned that the rocks are in the road.

Troy mentioned the city needing another police officer, because Chris is maxed out and he does not want any more hours. Troy also mentioned that Fred Starnes had resigned from Lead Hill because he stood up for another police officer that the city had fired in public and they should have gone into executive session. A motion was made by Mike, seconded by William to hire Fred Starnes for 5hrs a week. All in favor. Motion carried. 4/Ayes

Troy mentioned that Diamond City had fired the RSO and that Fred might take that but if not he had a job. Mike mentioned that he would coordinate through Troy and Chris. Troy mentioned absolutely.

Chris mentioned that he had some images for the car decals, he showed them to the council. Troy mentioned that Castle is backed up but that the black car really needs to be identified. William mentioned that a black car is being used over in Carroll County and that it is not a police officer and that people are being told not to stop.

Troy mentioned the council coming to Hard Target. Lorene mentioned that all nights were good except Wed. and Sunday. Troy mentioned Thursday 6-8. Troy also mentioned that he was going to Las Vegas to do an Active Shooter Class for a Medical Conference, he will be gone the 19, 20 and 21. Lorene mentioned if there had been any tickets written. Chris mentioned that he had written one and that he had help from the county and state of a morning to concentrate on the Junction at 14 and North Old 65. Troy mentioned that there had been some one pass a person and he nearly ran him off the road, so the next morning he followed them and they were going 100mph by the orchard. Troy also mentioned that the jail is full and that are not taking misdemeanors. Lorene mentioned Dalton Arnold and that he had turned himself in. Troy mentioned that no one is paying their fines because they have an account and the judge is just letting them put their fines on it. Lorene mentioned picking up trash. Leslie mentioned that they have to volunteer to pick up the trash.

Water Dept.

Dalton mentioned everything runs as long as it stays warm. Dalton also mentioned that he got Pine Street finished behind Peewee's. Lorene mentioned it being dug and that all the rocks are on one end. Dalton mentioned that from the concrete left it and that he had dug in the rain and then put dirt in there to make sure that it would drain. Mike mentioned was that 3 to 6 big rocks behind the shelter and was half put half way down. Dalton mentioned that he had left it alone so the dirt would wash out and then fill it. Mike mentioned that there was some wash out by ditch at the Church of Christ. Leslie mentioned using rip rap 6plus on Stone Ln. Dalton mentioned that there was a big hole there and he used that so it would not come out. Lorene mentioned the dirt at Peewee's. Dalton mentioned that he had been trying to fix it because he and Orville had been dumping it back there. Dalton mentioned that he would like to pull the asphalt up there on Jefferson St. so he could put rock there and dirt so it would not wash away. Lorene mentioned the posts and signs. Mike mentioned that we have everything and that they just haven't got them put up yet. Dalton mentioned setting up date and time. Chris mentioned that there is a stop sign down at Washington St. Leslie mentioned putting it on round post. Chris mentioned that it looked like it had just been pulled up because there was dirt there by it. Lorene mentioned SW Boone and if there was a leak. Dalton mentioned that there is a leak and that he has told them. Leslie mentioned that there were a few more broke meters. Dalton mentioned that he put lids on the meters and made them keep them covered up. Lorene mentioned the money being here March. Dalton mentioned that it would be early summer according to ESI. Dalton also mentioned that he will try to get the meter money first. Lorene mentioned that there was people in the place by the church and that they turned the water on. Dalton mentioned that he went there and was going to turn

it off but that Mr. Geadelman had told them that they could turn it on. Dalton also mentioned that he told them to be in Tuesday to pay or he would be back to turn it off, they told him it would Wednesday. Gina mentioned that they never showed. Dalton mentioned that he would go pull the meter. Leslie mentioned that half the meters were full of water and had to be wiped off to read them and had scratched glass. Dalton mentioned that the new meters will bring in more money. Mike mentioned locking them out. Dalton mentioned that the lock was old and that it would have to be pulled.

Leslie mentioned the Street Update had already been discussed. Leslie mentioned that the new pavement did not have any ice on it but that on Washington it did and it was different asphalt. William mentioned that he seen ice on main street.

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

Leslie King/Mayor

Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.
