

City of Omaha  
Council Meeting  
June 10, 2019

The regular monthly (June 3, 2019) council meeting was postponed due to an injury; it was rescheduled for June 10, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Leslie King. All council members present: Roll Call: Orville Lippe, Mike Roberts, William Atchison, Lorene Roberts and Laura King. Also present: Troy Burlison/Police Chief, Fred Starnes/ Police Officer

The minutes were distributed and discussed. Lorene mentioned that there were two corrections that needed to be made on the last page of the minutes from May, on line seven and line nine. Gina mentioned that corrections will be made. A motion was made by Mike, seconded by Orville to accept the minutes with the corrections. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

Mike mentioned if Natco was finished with the fiber. Leslie mentioned that they were except for going to each person's house. Lorene mentioned Washington Pump. Dalton mentioned that the pipe had a hole in it and it was not pumping enough water and that the electric bill kept going up because it was running too much. Dalton mentioned that the hole was caused by it being pulled so much.

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

#### Old Business:

Leslie mentioned that there would not be any sidewalks. Lorene mentioned that it looked like they would have to take out three trees. Gina mentioned that the engineering would cost \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00 for them to do a topical survey and that the city would be responsible for the entire cost. Lorene mentioned that it looked like up towards the school that part of that would have to be filled in. Lorene also mentioned that easements would be needed. Gina mentioned that the city would be responsible for those costs also and that there were about three people that would not give them to the city.

Mike mentioned that the street signs were put up. Leslie mentioned that none of them had been stolen. Lorene mentioned that there by their pull out needs to be mowed or weed eaten. Laura mentioned that she thought it was the county. Gina mentioned that she would call Ron. Mike mentioned that on 1<sup>st</sup>. that the limbs needed to be gotten with mower. Mike also mentioned that Betty Lenard is burning in the street. Troy mentioned making him a list and that he would take care of it. Gina mentioned that the mower was paid for. Dalton mentioned that he called three different places about the old mower and that it would cost \$300.00 to \$400.00 to replace the whole deck. Dalton also mentioned that he had gotten bids from Orville for \$200.00, Ryon Edwards for \$300.00 and Leslie King for \$100.00. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by William to go ahead and sell the mower to the highest bidder, Ryon Edwards for \$300.00. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

#### New Business:

Leslie mentioned that the service fee on the water bills would be going up 10 cents in August. Leslie also mentioned that this was mandatory and that a Bill had been passed by the General Assembly to raise the Public Water System Service Fees from 30 cent to 40 cents starting in August 2019. Gina mentioned that there would be a copy of this statement with the minutes.

Laura mentioned the credit information being on the water bills. Gina mentioned that it is not but that it is on the website and facebook and that the water bills were pre-printed already because they are purchased in bulk.

Orville mentioned that Morgan MacDonald would get the yards mowed. Lorene mentioned that she had spoke to her and that she had gotten her phone number and that she does not want to go through her attorney anymore. Lorene also mentioned that Morgan had been trying to get work done to the house and old store and that she could be held up just because of a window, Lorene told her that she would not use them except for the demolition of the buildings. Lorene mentioned that she was going to make a decision on fixing them or tearing them down within the next year. Lorene also mentioned that the council was looking to take care of the houses in Omaha. Gina mentioned that the Hesston's had called about water being in the root cellar. Lorene mentioned that she did not see any water. Gina mentioned that it was in the old kitchen which was under ground.

Lorene mentioned the cars and tires. Orville mentioned that the cars are parked in the street.

Lorene mentioned that fire dept checking and interest from the bank. Laura mentioned that Fred would follow up on Aprils financials. Laura also mentioned that did not feel they were getting a very good interest rate and that Ron Querry was going to check with other banks. Laura mentioned that building that was stolen and did they collect insurance on it. William mentioned that they had not. Laura mentioned that they could not because it was only part of the building. Lorene mentioned they had new fire dept members. William mentioned that they needed new uniforms and equipment.

#### Water Dept. Update:

Dalton mentioned that after broken water lines caused by Natco, the water dept was in need of parts. Dalton mentioned that there was a power surge at the new well and that it caused the sub monitor to go out. Lorene mentioned that was Entergy's fault. Gina mentioned that they will not take responsibility for it. Dalton mentioned that they are supposed to adjust the power and that he has to call them and they never want to do it, but that eventually they will but it's never when he calls.

Gina mentioned that she was able to pay the pump company without asking ANRC if we could use any money.

Dalton mentioned that some of the money we are getting will be used to fix the old line on Collins St. Mike mentioned that it was galvanized line. Dalton mentioned that they would put in all new line. Dalton also mentioned that we should get the money by the end of summer.

Police Dept. Update:

Troy mentioned that Fred Stranes would be on duty after this meeting and that he was done with Lead Hill School. Troy also mentioned that he would get the five hours per week. Troy mentioned that he had resigned from the county. Troy also mentioned for the city to make him a list of the places with cars and the properties. Mike mentioned moving the cars. Don Rose, Robin, Peachy and Johnny place need letters sent and have the mayor sign it. Troy mentioned doing it tactfully and have it sent the legal way and that Steven can go to court they could let him handle it. Lorene mentioned that there are tires everywhere and junk cars. Leslie mentioned that those places are just hang outs now. Gina mentioned that the cars never move they are there all day every day. Laura mentioned the old Phillips 66 store has cars everywhere. Lorene mentioned not letting Omaha look like a junk yard.

Troy mentioned new police car. Lorene mentioned that a council member tried to stop the sale and that he had voted to sell the car. William mentioned that they had to have majority. Leslie mentioned getting the title and paying the money tomorrow.

Troy mentioned letting him know when someone in the community passes away so they can show respect to them.

Troy mentioned the citations will have to be turned into the county. Troy also mentioned tell Gina so she can make a list and she can let them know.

Mike mentioned the bar opening back up. Troy mentioned that he did not know. Mike also mentioned that Daniel had been parking at the church and that they were not able to park there. Troy mentioned that he can take care of that. Troy also mentioned that he would be attending the Law Enforcement weekend.

Mike mentioned that John Huston was making maps of the city, there would be one for the city/one for the fire dept./one for the police dept. and one for 911. Mike mentioned that he would like the Mayor to go with him when he takes the one to 911.

Leslie mentioned new tires and front alignment. Mike mentioned signs for cars. Troy mentioned that he would get them. Troy also mentioned that he will be in the parade of lights/Omaha car at Branson, Thursday.

Troy mentioned that the County Judge had hired him to take care of the security at the court house. Troy also mentioned hiring a security guard for the court house and the old federal building, with new protocols and cameras. Troy mentioned that they usually use reserve deputy but that he will get someone would be under him.

Troy mentioned doing a test dog ticket to see if a conviction could be got on an ordinance that the city has now. Lorene mentioned that there was a dog with a mohawk and that it was ordinance violation.

Mike mentioned ordinance for the cars. Troy mentioned that the council should look at them and make sure there up to date. Lorene mentioned that we had to start somewhere. Mike mentioned that the council needs to be more savvy. Troy mentioned that the letters need to have ordinance in them. Laura mentioned put the resolutions and ordinances on the internet. Gina mentioned that she would get it done.

7:15

Fred Starnes was sworn in by Mayor Leslie King. Fred Starnes repeated the oath the papers were signed and dated June 10, 2019.

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

Leslie King/Mayor

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Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.

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