

City of Omaha
Council Meeting
October 7, 2019

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Mayor Leslie King. Roll call: All present: Mike Roberts, Lorene Roberts, Laura King, William Atchison and Orville Lippe. Also present: Chris Jamison/Police Sergeant, Fred Starnes/Police Dept. and Dalton Larson/Water Supervisor

Guests:

Mike Rotenberry/United State Census Bureau

Leslie mentioned that he would like to turn the floor over to Mike Rotenberry from the United Census Bureau, Mike Rotenberry took the floor. Mike mentioned that he was here to see if the City would be interested in starting a Census Committee to help the community here in Omaha, Mike also mentioned that it increase the amount of people to fill out their census survey, Omaha has only had 69% in the last years return the questionnaire and that the rest of the people had to have a representative come to their home. Mike mentioned that the numbers need to be improved and that it will help response time and with programs that provide funding to the community. Mike also mentioned that he would like Leslie to form a committee for the April 2020 census. Mike mentioned that this year that cell phones, internet, calling or mail could be used this next. There was a lengthy discussion. Mike mentioned that the census does not share any information collected. Leslie mentioned that the committee would help get census workers. Mike mentioned that if he gets a call to some type of community function he will come and explain everything to everyone. Leslie mentioned that Laura would need to be on the committee because she worked for the school. Laura mentioned that there were some events coming up like Green and Gold Game and that there would be a lot of people there. William mentioned that the Green and Gold Game was coming up to quick. Mike mentioned that there are projects for the school using literature for K-12. Laura mentioned home coming might be better. Lorene mentioned the Alpena game. Mike mentioned that it is illegal not to answer the census. Mike also mentioned that Asa Hutchison had formed a committee for the entire state of Arkansas, because the state is under counted by 1% and that 99 million dollars a year is what we could be missing out on. Leslie mentioned when the committee would need to be formed. Mike mentioned that it would need to be formed before April 1, 2020 because there is three to five weeks of training. Mike Rotenberry thanked the council. Leslie thanked Mike Rotenberry for coming.

The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and discussed. Leslie mentioned that the garage doors at the fire dept. not be fixed; because he had the wrong springs with him but that he would come back with the new ones and fix the garage doors. Leslie mentioned that the window had been replaced in the fire dept. and that the crosswalk and a/c are not done yet. Leslie also mentioned that he thought it was the condensation line or rain that was getting into to the training room. Leslie mentioned that the shelter drain was put in and that the rain did not get into the building. Lorene mentioned that the rug from inside was put over the grate and it would not let the water drain right. William mentioned that the rug was put there by the people for the funeral. Lorene mentioned that the

grate would need to be cleaned. Leslie mentioned that the window in the gray car needed to be fixed. Fred mentioned that the decals are on the car. A motion was made by Mike, seconded by William to accept the minutes. All in favor motion carried. 5/Ayes

The financial reports for the city and the water dept. were distributed and discussed. Mike mentioned the \$9,000.00 for parts. Gina mentioned that it was repairs that Natco had caused during their fiber installation. Dalton mentioned that there were 3 phases to the fiber install. Gina mentioned that Jake had given them permission to use the right a ways. Leslie mentioned that the depths of the lines are not in the blue prints and that it was not 4' in the ground. Laura mentioned that she would put it in the file to get the date. A motion was made by William, seconded by Mike to accept the financial reports for both the city and water dept. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

Police Update:

Chris mentioned that Leslie will order the signs and the lights tomorrow and that the signs are going to be double sided. Chris mentioned moving the one sign away from the fence and move it closer to the street. Chris also mentioned that he wrote one ticket for a driver running the red light on the bus and that he gave 20 warnings for running through the crosswalk but once the lights are up he will start writing tickets. Chris mentioned that the lights would need to be on a timer. Leslie mentioned that they have some that run all day long for \$39.99 flashing lights. Chris mentioned that he fixed the radar and that it's working good. Fred mentioned that the decals for his car would be put on this week and then Chris's the next week. Lorene mentioned the cars on the street. Fred mentioned that the State would need to do that. Leslie mentioned that the 30 days from tonight's meeting. Lorene mentioned that Pine Street had cars parked on it. Leslie mentioned that there sure is. Gina mentioned the letters being sent from the lawyer. Lorene mentioned that the lot by Hazel, Hazels house and Peachy and Johnny's.

Water Dept. Update:

Dalton mentioned that when the concrete is poured at the corner of S. Maple and Collins St. maybe a pad could be poured for a shop building up by the old well so the dump truck could be housed. Leslie mentioned maybe a two bay. Mike mentioned that maybe have three bays. Leslie mentioned a 40 x 60. Mike mentioned that maybe it can be made where the vehicles can be pulled to the side like into the corner. Leslie mentioned that should cost maybe \$20,000.00 but he will find for sure on the size.

Gina mentioned the Friday Firm will have a hearing in December and release the money from ANRC in January.

Street Update:

William mentioned how many stop signs going on to Hwy 65. Leslie mentioned that he would find out.

Lorene mentioned that Dalton needed to do something with gravel on Maple St. because it is washing out.

Mike mentioned fixing the street there by the trailer park. Gina mentioned that she was told it was not in the city limits and that it was septic. Orville mentioned that the septic is run across the road. Orville also mentioned that he will need rocky clay and base to fix it.

Laura mentioned that the fire dept wants to change the meeting to 7 P.M. and that it will be too hard for her to can and if William could take her place on the board. Laura also mentioned that the Annual Meeting was going to be where they voted to replace some people on the board and change the time. Dalton mentioned that he was running to be on the fire board. William mentioned everyone needs to go vote at 6 P.M.

Orville mentioned that he has some top soil if Dalton needs it, also that its free and that he could put it up at Peewee's.

Lorene mentioned that he Boone County Clean up is October 19, 2019 (it was in the paper) and that the city needed to have a clean up the same day. Gina mentioned that she would make some flyers to put in town.

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

Leslie King/Mayor

Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.

City of Omaha
Agenda Council Meeting
November 4, 2019

AGENDA:

- 1) Previous Council Meeting Minutes
- 2) Financial Reports for the City and the Water Dept.
- 3) Old Business/ Ordinance/Building for Water Dept.
- 4) New Business/ Christmas Party
- 5) Police Update
- 6) Water Dept. Update
- 7) Street Update