

City of Omaha
Council Meeting
May 2, 2016

The regular monthly council meeting was called to order by Mayor Leslie King. All council members present: Laura King, Emmett Fickes, Orville Lippe, Lisa Heston and Lorene Roberts. Also present: Dalton Larson/Water Supervisor

Guest: Blake McFall/police dept. job

*The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and discussed. Leslie mentioned that Stateline Nursery had given the City the straw with the purchase of topsoil. Lorene mentioned the new well and what had happened to it. Dalton mentioned that the well had been hit by lightening again and that a switch had been hit first and then traveled to motor. A motion was made Lisa, seconded by Lorene 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. Laura mentioned that SW Boone bill. Gina mentioned that it is just everyday use. Dalton mentioned that he had talked to Midco and that they were only willing to take \$800 off the bill which is \$8,800 is why the bill had not been paid. A motion was made by Lisa ,seconded by Laura to accept the financial reports for both the city and the water dept. 5/Ayes

May 2, 2016 at 6:10 P.M. The Ordinance 2016-4 was read aloud by Mayor King. This is the first of two public readings for Ordinance 2016-4. The Ordinance 2016-4 is in regards to the rate increases for water customers; which will happen in to phases in 2016. A copy of the ordinance will be included with the minutes.

Leslie mentioned if there had been any complaints about the water rate increase. Orville mentioned that he had some but that they were from customers in the rural part of the water system and the increase did not affect them. Leslie mentioned that his complaints had been from the same people.

Leslie mentioned Blake McFall who was here about the Police Officer position. Leslie turned the floor over to Blake McFall. Blake mentioned that he was going through ALEDA for his classes and will attend the classes through them. Blake also mentioned that he needed help with uniforms and would like to use the police car. Blake mentioned that his family would be moving up here and would like to have a job prior to doing so. Blake also mentioned that it has taken him seven years to get his foot in the door. Blake mentioned that he worked for the Boone County Jail for one year and is also a member of the ORFA here in Omaha. Blake also mentioned that he could take the reserve classes at the college in Harrison and that Arkansas laws states that there has to be 120 hours of classes to be certified. Blake mentioned that a full time police officer had a year to get to certified. Leslie mentioned that is not the case. Leslie also mentioned that the city had hired a gentleman and he had been a police officer many years ago and that he needed to be certified before starting a police career and that because he would not take the proper classes he had to be let go. Blake mentioned that he would start class in September. Lorene mentioned that Blake had no classes. Blake mentioned that he did not have any classes. Blake also mentioned that he works for a timeshare company right now. Leslie mentioned that he would need to get the classes done he could be hired. Leslie also mentioned that once he completed his classes to let the city know. Blake McFall thanked the council and left the meeting.

Leslie mentioned the park update. Leslie also mentioned that the trees were gone, the grass had been

sewn and the topsoil had been put in and that he wrapped pool noodles around the electrical guide wires for protection. Leslie also mentioned that he was going to get the swing and slide up this week. Leslie mentioned needing shrubs for the park. Orville mentioned 5'tall. Gina mentioned that she had Rose of Sharons in three colors.

Laura mentioned community service worker. Leslie mentioned that he was still in school and has sson has he got out he would start here.

Leslie mentioned the water dept. update. Dalton mentioned that the pump and control switch had went out due to lightening strike.

Lorene mentioned Midco taking off \$800 from the bill and that it took it down to \$8,000.00 Dalton mentioned that he talked to them and they said the extra charge was for waiting for the tank fill up. Laura mentioned that the price is the price. Lisa mentioned that the by time was for wind. Dalton mentioned yes and that he told them the council agreed to pay \$6,200.00 only. Dalton also mentioned that they are still trying to add on to the \$5,500.00 price quoted. The council mentioned calling Gail Campbell. There was a lengthy discussion. Lorene mentioned just paying the \$6,200.00 and see what happens and if Gail said pay it then the city would have to make payments on the rest. Gina mentioned that she would call Gail.

Lorene mentioned enforcing fines to the people that had limbs and not mowed their grass. Lorene also mentioned that the MacDonald property never did mow where the cat are and that it has to be mowed.

A list of people that need letters:

Mr. Ed Hale

LeBlues(Willies old place)

Chris Cheek

MacDonald

Lorene mentioned sending letters. Leslie mentioned spraying it with weed killer. The council requested that Gail be asked. Gina mentioned that she would ask her.

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

Leslie King/Mayor

Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.
