

City of Omaha  
Council Meeting  
November 3, 2014

The regular monthly council meeting was called to order by Mayor Jake Arnold. All council members were present: Leslie King, Lorene Roberts, Lisa Heston, Emmett Fickes and Orville Lippe.

Guests Present: Harold Stinson(regarding property on city streets)  
Laura and Gabby King

\*The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and discussed. Gina mentioned a correction to the October minutes(second page/ third paragraph/forth line down)says street was closed, it was not closed there was barrier put at the street so people would not run over owners property. Gina also mentioned that the correction will be made and new minutes will be issued to the council. A motion was made by Lisa, seconded by Leslie to accept the minutes from the previous meeting with the correction. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

\*The financial reports for both the city and the water dept. were distributed and discussed. Lisa mentioned the financial statements and did they go from the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month to the end of the month. Gina mentioned that they did but it was the last day that she worked. Lisa mentioned the fact that Gina's checks were all the same and that there were no extra hours for the water leaks. Gina mentioned that sometimes the time occurs after time has gone in and that some times we just have to do what we have to do. Lisa mentioned that all of Gina's time needed to be on the time sheets. Jake mentioned that he had told Gina that too. Lorene mentioned that she agreed and if the time was on time sheets then Gina needed to take off the time. Gina mentioned the loans and that \$2,300.00 was all that was needed to be able to pay them both. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by Emmett to accept the financial reports for both the city and the water dept. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

Jake mentioned the next thing on the agenda was Harold and Dixie Stinson regarding the property on the city streets. Harold mentioned that the garden had been there for fifteen years and why something is just now being said about it now. Orville mentioned that he had gotten copies of the survey from John Huston. Lorene provided said survey. Harold mentioned that it was not worth anything. There was a lengthy discussion about the streets, alley and the width of each. Lorene mentioned the an issue of vehicles not being able to get through. Harold mentioned that there were two water mains in the street. Orville mentioned that they were the cities problem and if they became an issue then the city would take of them. Harold mentioned the a barrier needs to be put up so no one hits their house again, because it has been hit twenty times. Harold also mentioned that their lawyer told them to sue who ever hit the building and the city. Lorene mentioned that she did wanting anyone hitting their building and that speed bumps might be a solution. Harold mentioned that the street needs to be two lanes, from the start of the street to Collins. Harold mentioned that the bus driver is running over their yard because she doesn't care where she drives and that is why the dirt and log were put in. Harold mentioned Maple Street being closed. Jake mentioned that Maple Street has never been closed and that the only part that is closed is the portion that runs down into the hollow. Harold mentioned that they would move the flower bed and that everything had been there since 1941. Orville mentioned the new construction and that there had been complaints. Harold mentioned that people were pulling down through the front of their house and that is why the new construction was added so people would not be able to drive there. Harold also mentioned that the post office had told them that needed to put their mailbox 16 inches from the white line. Harold mentioned that he was told that the city had an easement there but that did not mean that they could not use it. There was a lengthy discussion about

the building being hit. Harold mentioned that the street needed to be widened and it needed to be painted for two lanes. Jake mentioned that the post office does not have the right to tell you where to put your mailbox. Leslie mentioned that it is too close to the highway. Harold mentioned restoring Maple St. back the way it was before they cleaned it up, there were refrigerators and numerous bags of trash that they hauled off, did the city want the junk put back on Maple St. Jake mentioned that street widths needed to be looked into further. Harold mentioned the two water mains and that if there was digging someone would probably get into them. Jake mentioned would had done the measurements. Harold mentioned that it was either the state or the county. Jake mentioned the hwy was 100 feet and he did not understand how it had gotten down to 30 feet. Harold mentioned the street is supposed to be 33 feet and that it is at 43 feet. Emmett mentioned that some of the right of ways vary. Jake mentioned that there 100 feet from light pole to light pole. Jake also mentioned contacting the county about the highway. Lisa mentioned that the city streets are 60 feet and the alleys are 20 feet. Jake mentioned checking with the county and why the length is shorter now because he had never heard of such a thing. Orville mentioned that the city would notify them with the information that way they could come to the next council meeting. Harold mentioned that he nor Dixie would be at the next meeting and that their attorney would be handling things from here on out. Orville mentioned having the attorney contact Gina so the city can have his information. Harold mentioned that if the building was hit that the city would be sued and he left the meeting.

Jake mentioned the park. Gina mentioned that the clean up day went well and that a lot of things got done. Gina also mentioned that Rusty was suppose to have the park information to her tomorrow(Nov. 4, 2014).

Jake mentioned the fire dept. and that they were not at the meeting. Lorene mentioned that Gail needs to write up the lease agreement, because the fire dept. should not do it. Jake mentioned that they were going to change some of the wording and then Gail could write it up. Jake also mentioned that Leslie was in the right about telling them that they needed to go through the proper protocol for the lighting(at the last fire board meeting). Leslie mentioned that the electrician should have fixed the lights right then and there. Jake mentioned that the electrician he spoke to told him that everything in the fire dept. was hooked to the generator but that there was no proof of this. Lorene mentioned that the lease agreement had to be finished by Jan. Emmett mentioned that he had heard that the fire board was a having a special meeting. Lorene mentioned the special meeting needing to be posted. Leslie mentioned that it was to be this Tuesday. Leslie mentioned that the special meeting was over a confrontation between Roger and Mr. White. Jake mentioned that when lease agreement needs to be discussed then the city can have a special meeting with Gail present. Jake mentioned that the fire dept. has to leave fire trucks and staff in this station because it was part of the bill of sale but if they choose to leave then let them and the city will get the trucks back and get the cities own fire dept. and the people in the city limits will pay the fire dues to the city, the fire dept. can figure out how to pay for a new building and buying new fire trucks. Lorene mentioned that they agreed to pay \$100.00 more for rent but not the electrical. Leslie mentioned that they want to see the electrical bills for the last two years. Lorene mentioned that she had them for the last three years.

\*Jake mentioned Gail email about the inspection. A motion was made by Leslie, seconded by Emmett to have him do the inspection and to call and set up the appointment with Jake. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

Jake mentioned the water dept. Lorene mentioned the fact that Rick was not at the meeting. Gina mentioned that he had told her that he would be here. Gina also mentioned that the water had a hard month this month between the water leaks and boil order. Emmett mentioned Natco paying for Rick's

wages. Gina mentioned that nothing was said about paying for the wages but that Klassmeyer had bought and paid for the parts and used their backhoe and their men to do the work. Lorene mentioned that the next time this happens that they will need to pay.

Orville mentioned that the white truck had quit Rick Sunday and that he thought it was the fuel pump and that the tank would have to be taken out. Orville also mentioned that Rick had three flats and that he told Rick to order some tires for the truck but he did not know weather he had or not. Lorene mentioned getting new tires for the truck. Orville mentioned that Rick was worried about the \$500.00 limit but that he had told him to order two and then order two more 8 ply tires the next week.

\*Jake mentioned the Christmas party. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by Leslie to have it on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 5:00 P.M. At Nopalitos Grill in Harrison. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes

\*Gina mentioned that it was that time of year again to pay the municipal league. A motion was made by Lorene, seconded by Lisa to only pay the minimum. All in favor. Motion carried. 5/Ayes  
Jake mentioned that if the city needed any thing that the municipal league had the best attorney's.

Lorene mentioned Leslie's seat on the council. Jake mentioned that no one could be appointed until after Jan. 1, 2015.

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

Jake Arnold/Mayor

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Gina Dunn/Sec./Treas.