

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bruce Anderson, Carolyn Meerian, Dale Fox, Mark Criger, Dennis Graves, Mayor Richard Hamit.

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert and Mary Kennison, Max Friesen, Ron Dean, Bob Sisson, Paul Perry, Lila Hamit, Cheryl Brown.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Hamit. The clerk called the roll; there was a quorum.

MINUTES/WARRANTS: Dale Fox made a motion, seconded by Bruce Anderson, to approve the minutes of the regular September meeting as written. Motion carried. Mark Criger made a motion, seconded by Carolyn Meerian, to approve the minutes of the September 21st special meeting as written. Motion carried.

Warrants #8780 through #8838 were presented for payment. Carolyn Meerian made a motion, seconded by Bruce Anderson to pay all warrants.

CITY CURFEW: Chief Dean explained that the increased numbers of younger kids out after 1:00 a.m. is why he feels a curfew is needed, partly to control vandalism and partly to protect the local kids from outside influences. There was discussion as to how some other cities are enacting curfews. Councilmember Fox stated that having a curfew could possibly reduce the need of part-time helpers. How the ordinance could be enforced was discussed. Chief Dean stated that the parents can be summoned to court and fined at the judge's discretion if they willingly permit their children to violate the curfew. Dale Fox made a motion, seconded by Carolyn Meerian, to adopt Ordinance No. 184 which establishes a curfew of 11:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 12 midnight on Friday and Saturday for anyone under 18 (eighteen) years of age. Motion carried. The curfew will be in effect as of October 21, 1993.

WATER UTILITY BILL: Robert and Mary Kennison came before the council to request a review of their September water bill which was for 83,600 gallons usage amounting in an \$350.63 bill. They explained that they couldn't have used that much water as they were on vacation for about half of the billing period, and had someone watching their house. The clerk said she had had the reading rechecked, and the usage was normal in the interval between the two meter readings. Bob Sisson said that the meter appeared to be working normally. The Kennison's also stated that they have had low water pressure and have had "dirty" water off and on ever since moving in. After considerable discussion of possible causes and solutions for these problems, Mark Criger made a motion, seconded by Bruce Anderson, to adjust the water bill by averaging the previous four months and billing for that amount because of previous problems reported at that location. Motion carried. Bob Sisson was

instructed to check out possible solutions with the water line, and also to do some flushing on a routine basis.

ANIMAL CONTROL COSTS: The clerk reported that Carbondale Pet Clinic sent notice of a price increase from \$25/animal for 3 days to \$30/animal. The council agreed by concensus that other facilities should be checked.

LAW REPORT: Chief Dean reported that he and Councilmember Graves had discussed the hours part-time officers are being scheduled.

Chief Dean reported that he was still sending letters regarding trimming trees, and has given some people more time to comply depending on circumstances.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Bob Sisson told the council that he had checked a couple of places about a mobile phone. Following discussion of several plans, Bruce Anderson made a motion, seconded by Dale Fox, to choose the plan that best suits the needs of the city. Motion carried.

Sisson also reported that Jack Kramer told him that the test results on the treated wells were within acceptable limits, and should be ready to use after a short time of running.

REQUEST FOR FILL-DIRT: Paul Perry, pastor of the Overbrook Bible Church, told the council that he is planning to build a house in the Meadows addition, and would like to get dirt from the sewer pond to raise the front yard. Mark Criger made a motion, seconded by Carolyn Meerian, to approve Perry's getting dirt as long as it is left in a mowable condition. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Max Friesen told the council that the NOW account balance was pretty low due to excessive expenses in the previous month, and advised the clerk to draw the interest from the CD's to avoid cashing one if at all possible.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Carolyn Meerian made a motion, seconded by Dennis Graves, to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss a personnel matter. Motion carried. Mayor Hamit called the meeting back to order at 9:15 p.m. Dennis Graves made a motion, seconded by Carolyn Meerian, to approve a 2.5% raise for Bob Sisson effective November 1, 1993 as he will have been employed 6 months as of October 28, 1993. Motion carried.

COUNCIL REPORTS: Carolyn Meerian asked Bob Sisson about where the water lines are at the Legion building as they are wanting to put up a flagpole. Sisson told her that he would check into this, and told her that there were other utility lines in the vacinity. Meerian also asked for dirt to be used at the Legion at a later date. The council agreed by concensus to allow the Legion to get some dirt when needed.

Bruce Anderson reported that he had had several complaints about all the old cars at the Leroy Shepard residence. Fred Marshall also

said that due to the "No Parking" signs on First Street people are parking on the street across from his business. The council agreed by concensus to check into putting a couple of "No Parking" signs in this area.

Anderson also said he had gotten complaints from some businesses about other people putting things out in the alley between Maple and Oak south of Santa Fe Trail that cause some difficulty for others to use the alley.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Hamit told the council that he was going to instruct the clerk and assistant clerk to be a little tougher on those customers that are late paying their water bills, and he was going to monitor this process.

Mayor Hamit read a letter from Bruce and Debbie Smith stating their desire that Ash Street not be made a through street to the cemetary road if the matter is ever brought before the council.

MISCELLANEOUS: Councilmember Meerian asked what the situation was concerning the weed problem at ~~Holzhauser's~~ ^{Loftwain}. Sisson reported that he had noticed that they were trying to do some trimming. The problem of getting our equipment in to do the mowing was discussed. Sisson was told to rent a heavy-duty trimmer or saw if necessary, and then the cost would be assessed to the property owner. The limbs by the walkway were also discussed. Sisson was instructed to check into the prices of renting the equipment.

Dale Fox made a motion, seconded by Bruce Anderson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Brown,
Clerk

November 10, 1993

APPROVED: _____