

## MEMBERS PRESENT

J.A. CORDTS  
DALE FOX  
DENNIS GRAVES

CLIFF O'BRYHIM  
FLOYD McGUIRE  
MAYOR RICHARD HAMIT

## OTHERS PRESENT

Marilyn Land  
Manie Minford  
Kenneth Greene  
Walt Martin  
Max Friesen

Bruce Smith  
Cheryl Brown  
Mildred Cannon

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Richard Hamit. The clerk called the roll. A quorum was present.

MINUTES: The minutes of the October 10, 1990 regular meeting were presented. Dale Fox made a motion, seconded by Dennis Graves to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

WARRANTS: Warrants No. 6621 through 6672 were presented for approval. Dennis Graves made a motion, seconded by Floyd McGuire to approve all warrants. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT COMMITTEE CHRISTMAS PLANS: Marilyn Land and Manie Minford were present to request various services in connection with the annual christmas tree lighting and carol sing. The requests were as follows:

1. Permission to use the swimming pool parking lot for the community Christmas tree placement from November 26 through January 2.
2. Request the city arrange to have the electricity turned on at the pool bathhouse from November 26 through January 2.
3. Permission to barricade the pool area from November 26 through January 2.
4. Permission to hold the community christmas caroling at the pool parking lot on November 27.
5. Permission to use the bathhouse to dispense hot chocolate during the tree lighting and carol sing ceremonies on November 27.
6. Permission to have a temporary spotlight installed at the east end of the bathhouse.
7. Permission to barricade 7th Street at Maple and Oak (East and West) and Oak at 7th Street, south side and permission to close the school play ground gates at 56 Highway from 1 to 4 PM on December 8 for sleigh rides.

The council agreed to all requests. The women were thanked for coming and were commended for the fine work they have been doing.

SOLID WASTE/MARTIN SERVICE-W&W LANDROMAT: Solid waste pickup charges in reference to W&W Laundromat and Martins Service were again discussed. Walt Martin and Kenneth Greene, representing Osage Waste Disposal were present. Mayor Hamit noted the city governing body had been asked to act as mediators inasmuch as the two could not come to an agreement, although this was not the norm.

Martin presented a list of 'business' he felt were probably not paying their fair share or not paying at all. It was noted by several council members that most on Martin's list were indeed paying their share and several were paying the highest fees in the city. Martin said he had discussed the problem with the owner of the Overbrook Floral Shop and had come to an agreement to share the florist's dumpster. He said both had agreed to pay \$15 per month. The Governing Body ruled

this would be allowed only if the owner of the floral shop and Martin presented letters of agreement to the city clerk, a copy to be sent to Osage Waste Disposal (the original to be kept in the city file). Mr. Greene reiterated, if the trash exceeded the capacity of the present dumpster, he would have to replace it with a larger one and would charge accordingly.

Martin also registered a complaint that no one is notified when the solid waste contract is brought up for renewal. The clerk noted the contract comes up for renewal in June and the agenda for the meetings are published in the official newspaper one week in advance of the council meeting. She also noted official bid notices were published in the paper before the contract came up for renewal.

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES: The clerk reported the newspaper had recently changed the format for publishing the minutes. She handed out copies of 'minutes' of several cities along with Overbrook's 'minutes'. It was noted they are no longer in official form but are written up by the newspaper as news articles with a headline. It was also noted some things are left out when they are rewritten. After a brief discussion, the council agreed a letter should be sent expressing the governing body's displeasure and asking for the minutes to again be published in their official form.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Cliff O'Bryhim reported several citizens had expressed concern about grain and semi trucks using the pool parking lot and damaging the new concrete. He asked that Police Chief Dean look into trying to alleviate the problem. The clerk noted 'no parking' signs had been installed last spring.

Dennis Graves reported he had been approached by several citizens in connection with emergency response vehicles using excess speed particularly in residential neighborhoods where there may be children at play etc. He felt this was a subject that needed to be addressed at length. Other council members reported they had been getting the same comments. After a brief discussion the subject was tabled to the December meeting.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Mayor Hamit reported the President of the Community Improvement Council had been approached by a gentlemen wishing to donate trees to the Jones Park. The gentlemen said he would do the planting. The council agreed by consensus to allow the work to be done if Bruce Smith could supervise the placement.

Mayor Hamit said someone at a recent rotary meeting had asked about reinstalling the flashing light at Maple and 56 Highway. The clerk reported the KPL had offered it to the city for \$1 dollar but the city would have to take over the liability and maintenance. The council at that time felt it was not wise for the city to take on that responsibility.

Mayor Hamit asked about the possibility of getting two more sirens for the city. The clerk was instructed to check into grants. The matter was tabled to a later date.

The Mayor read a letter he had received from the City of Council Grove in reference to the proposed abandonment of a railroad line which connected with their city. The council by consensus felt they would not get involved unless requested by Overbrook Co-op.

MISC: Bruce Smith reported the initial loads of rock for the lagoons had been completed and that there was \$2004 left in the bond fund. The clerk noted this money would have to be spent right away otherwise it would revert to payment

of the bond issue. It was noted by one member that the gates to the lagoons needed replacing. It was agreed that Smith would look into replacing the gates using a portion of the excess bond fund. Use of any excess money for rock would be discussed at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT: Floyd McGuire made a motion seconded by Dale Fox to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mildred J. Cannon  
City Clerk

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

December 12, 1990