

The City Manager read the following excerpts of a report from the Otis Elevator Company on the City elevator and requested the Commission to give some thought towards replacing the elevator within the next two or three years:

"We wish to call your attention to the desirability of replacing the existing passenger elevator located in the Municipal Tower at Oregon City with one of modern design and of higher duty and preferable in a new location across the tracks, as was previously discussed some years ago.

The existing elevator was installed in 1924, a quarter of a century ago and has seen increasingly heavy usage ever since its installation.

During the period that this elevator has been in use, the population of Oregon City has nearly doubled and the greatly increased traffic on this elevator has resulted in longer delays in moving the people of Oregon City up and down the hill and the increased wear on the elevator equipment has necessitated many repairs, all of which require the shutting down of the equipment.

The existing machine was intended for a medium duty usage, being of geared type construction with a capacity of 3000 lbs @ 200 FPM. The control of the car is by an operator and the equipment is of single speed design.

The usage which this elevator receives is very intense inasmuch as the elevator operates about eighteen hours per day which is practically double the length of time per day that the average elevator is called upon to operate.

In view of these conditions, we feel that an elevator designed for a more intensive usage and equipped with a slightly larger car of modern design which permits the use of entrances wide enough to permit two people to enter the elevator abreast without crowding and thus quickly load and unload the car, would be desirable. Further, the new car would be equipped with motor operated car and hoistway doors and the inclusion of car doors would greatly increase the safety inasmuch as the existing car does not have this protection."

The City Manager read a letter from the Oregon State Sanitary Authority concerning the sewage treatment plant requesting the City to take additional steps to speed up its program of constructing this proposed plant. The City Manager was instructed to reply to the effect that additional steps to speed this project would not be possible at this time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Doris Gilbertson
City Recorder

Oregon City, Oregon, March 22, 1949

SPECIAL MEETING

The City Commission met in special session on the above date in the office of the City Manager at the City Hall at 8:00 o'clock p.m.

Roll call showed the following present:

Raymond P. Caufield, Mayor
Albert Roake, Commissioner
Richard W. Long, Commissioner
Alden Miller, City Attorney
Robert A. Finlayson, City Manager

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the resolution presented to the Commission by the Junior Chamber of Commerce at the last regular Commission meeting requesting the Commission to submit to the voters of the City at a special election to be called by the City Commission a measure providing for the issuing of bonds by the City for the purpose of financing the purchase of additional fire equipment for the Oregon City Fire Department and what other business might come before the Commission.

The committee from the Junior Chamber of Commerce and other interested citizens appeared before the Commission and a discussion ensued concerning the proposed new fire equipment. After some discussion the City Commission informed the committee that they would be in favor of raising by a continuous levy a sum equal to \$55,000 for new equipment and \$18,000 a year for six additional fire men. Although the \$55,000 was not the amount requested by the Junior Chamber of Commerce for new equipment, they did agree to the proposal of the Commissioners. It was further agreed that the City Commission would purchase the kind and type of equipment they thought necessary especially concerning the aerial ladder truck and the number of alarm boxes. The City Manager and the City Attorney were instructed to prepare the proposal for placing on the ballot at a special election to be called in the near future.

Ordinance No. 1358, an ordinance vacating all those portions of Blocks 84, 85, 86, 89, 90, 91 and 92, according to the duly recorded plat of Oregon City, Oregon, lying within the boundaries of that tract of land conveyed to the Board of Water Commissioners of Oregon City in Book 114, page 55, Deed records of Clackamas County, Oregon, recorded January 24, 1910, and all streets and alleys therein as shown on said plat except Center Street, and except those portions heretofore sold (if any) by said Board of Water Commissioners or Oregon City, and declaring an emergency, was read the second time and on motion placed on its final passage, and it appearing from the certificate of Van Hoy O. Ballou, principal clerk of the publisher of the Oregon City Enterprise, that the same had been properly published as required by Charter, the ordinance was passed.

Ayes: Caufield, Roake and Long Nays: None

The City Manager brought up the matter of the Twelfth Street bridge and after some discussion was instructed to re-build or replace the present bridge with a similiar structure.

The City Manager brought up the matter of the Municipal Elevator and was instructed to investigate the feasibility of placing a new elevator between the Bluff and the railroad tracks and to secure an estimate of cost for presentation at their next regular meeting.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Lois Gilbertson

City Recorder

Oregon City, Oregon, April 6, 1949

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Commission was held on the above date in the office of the City Manager at the City Hall at 8:00 p.m.

Roll call showed the following present:

Raymond P. Caufield, Mayor
Albert Roake, Commissioner
Richard W. Long, Commissioner
Alden E. Miller, City Attorney
Robert A. Finlayson, City Manager

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was read and on motion ordered filed.

The report of the City Manager was read and on motion ordered filed.

The City Recorder's report of claims against the City for the month of March was read and on motion warrants ordered drawn for the amounts shown therein.

Ayes: Caufield, Roake & Long

REPORT

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