

MEETING OF MAY 24, 1949

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

701st MEETING

The seven hundred first regular meeting of the Council was held on the twenty-fourth day of May 1948.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sperr.

Present: Mayor Sperr; Councilmen Hamlin, Mortensen, Nelson; Manager Taber, Attorney Kirkpatrick, Treasurer Dillery, Water Superintendent Hofmann and Recorder Martin. Absent: Councilman Frady.

Because of a request by Mr. Hanson, 4105 Llewellyn St., that the minutes be read, it was moved by Mortensen and seconded by Nelson that the minutes of the seven hundredth regular meeting of the Council, held on the tenth day of May 1948 be read. Motion carried and so ordered.. The above mentioned minutes were read and approved as read.

Two residents along 33rd Street between Sellwood and Wister Streets, appeared before the Council with regard to the improvement of this section of the street. Manager Taber explained that he had made a preliminary survey of the improvement of this street from Elmer Street to Wister Street and had estimated that the cost would be \$3,817.00 or \$76.50 per each 50 foot lot. Manager Taber explained that the property on this street is assessable for the sewer extension and that the sewer assessment will probably be pledged by bond on some of the property and that in those cases another bond for street improvement would exceed the assessed value of the property and would therefore be prohibitive. For this reason the property owners along 33rd Street should have to work out a way to finance the improvement without a second bond.

Bids for supplying the City with gasoline for the coming year were opened and reas substantially as follows:

Northwest Oil Co. Premium Grade. Tank Wagon Price.

Standard Oil Co. Seller's net posted price, excluding Federal and including State Tax.

Union Oil Co. 7600 gasoline, \$0.21--76 gasoline \$0.185 per gallon

Tidewater Associated Co. 1¢ per gallon discount off tank wagon posted price, plus  $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ discount if delivered into storage tank from truck

Richfield Oil Corp. Hi-Octane, \$.195 Ethyl \$.21 per gallon.

It was moved by Hamlin and seconded by Nelson that Tidewater Associated Oil Co's bid amounting to 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ discount on tank wagon posted price, be accepted. Motion carried and so ordered.

The Recorder announced that this was the time and place for the hearing on the matter of the vacation of the north two and one-half feet of Washington Street from Main Street to the east boundary of the Portland-Oregon City East Side Highway. <sup>9000</sup> The Mayor called for protests to the above mentioned vacation. Mr. Joe Mourer came before the Council and stated that he was the owner of part of Lot 1, all of Lot 2 and part of Lot 3 Block 29 Milwaukie, and protested the vacation of the North two and one-half feet of Washington Street between Main Street and the Highway until such time that a dispute over the boundary line between his property and that belonging to J. Earl Jones, could be settled. It was moved by Hamlin and seconded by Mortensen that the hearing on the matter of the above mentioned vacation be postponed until the next regular meeting of the Council, and that J. Earl Jones and Joseph Mourer be notified of said hearing. Motion carried and so ordered.

Mr. Hanson, 4105 Llewellyn Street appeared before the Council and made inquiry with regard to graveling his driveway. Manager Taber explained to Mr. Hansen that he should not fill the curb with gravel but that he could put in a culvert large enough for proper drainage.

Attorney Kirkpatrick read Ordinance No. 510 for its first reading. It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Mortensen that Ordinance 510 be passed to its second reading. Motion carried and so ordered.

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Mr. Taber reported to the Council that money borrowed from the Federal Government for preliminary survey work of the Sewer Extension, was long past due, and that since we would soon be receiving money from assessments to make up this amount, he suggested that \$2,177.50 be advanced from the General fund and paid to the Federal Government. It was moved by Hamlin and seconded by Mortensen that \$2,177.50 be borrowed from the General fund to be paid to the Federal Government in payment of our loan, and that the funds up to this amount be repaid to the General fund from the assessments, when paid, for the sewer extensions. Motion carried and so ordered.

Manager Taber reported that the basement vault door was being replaced with a metal door. The Council approved this action.

Manager Taber stated that since 21st Street was graveled it should have a good coating of oil as a binder and to shed water. The Council agreed that the Manager should go ahead with his proposed finish on the street.

Manager Taber reported that M. & N. Sheet Metal Works was unhappy about having to pave the north side of Harrison Street where they had cut back the sidewalk, and had made inquiry as to whether or not the City could pay for the same. It was decided after discussion, that the City could not take this responsibility.

The matter of the proposed service road paralleling McLoughlin Blvd. was discussed. It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Hamlin that the owners of property, affected by this project, be contacted as to cost of right-of-way etc. Motion carried and so ordered. Mr. Taber was asked to contact these property owners.

Manager Taber stated that he had worked out a preliminary plan for a building on the City's lot at 40th and Harvey. The building would house the City's workshop as well as provide storage space for equipment. Mr. Taber stated that his estimate of cost was \$7,500.00. The floor would be concrete, walls to be concrete blocks. Mr. Taber stated that he would make more detailed plans before presenting same to the Planning Commission for their approval.

Manager Taber explained to the Council that the Loder Insurance Co. had made application to move their business into an old residence (owned by them) on the east half of Lots 3 and 4 Block 27 Milwaukie. It is the intention of the Loder Insurance Co. to build on the property but have asked to move into the house until they have enough space for their office in the new building. It was moved by Nelson and seconded by Mortensen that the Loder Insurance Co. be permitted to occupy the dwelling on the east one-half of Lots 4 and 3 Block 27 Milwaukie, for a limited time of six months. Motion carried and so ordered.

It was moved by Hamlin and seconded by Nelson that Ordinance No. 500 be amended to include 21st Street as a stop before entering Monroe St. Motion carried and so ordered.

Water Superintendent Hofmann gave a very good report of the Pacific Northwest Waterworks Association Convention, held in Boise Idaho. He thanked the Council for the privilege of attending and by his report he showed that he had gleaned some valuable knowledge in operation of water and sewer departments, which will be very beneficial to the City.

A resolution, sent out by the Chamber of Commerce, asking that our Post Office be withdrawn from Portland, and that we have our own Post Office, was read. It was moved by Hamlin and seconded by Mortensen that the following resolution be adopted and that the Mayor and Recorder be directed to sign the same.

## RESOLUTION 2-1958

WHEREAS, Milwaukie is a city of over 5000 inhabitants and through this branch of the Portland Post Office it serves a total of 25,000 people by rural routes, mounted routes and city delivery, and

WHEREAS, the space now occupied by the post office department in a rented building was designed for the business handled twenty-five years ago when it was less than twenty-five per cent of what it is now, therefore be it

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RESOLVED: That the Postmaster General or the duly qualified executive of the Post Office Department under whose jurisdiction it resolves, establish by construction or by acquisition a suitable building for the post office appropriately located to serve the community at large in the district of Milwaukie, within the County of Clackamas, State of Oregon

Motion carried and so ordered.

It was moved by Mortensen and seconded by Hamlin that the following bill be allowed and that the Recorder be directed to issue warrants for the payment of same.

State Industrial Accident Commission,

\$44.50

Motion carried and so ordered.

On motion duly made and carried the meeting adjourned.

Ellen Maatzen  
Recorder.

MEETING OF JUNE 14, 1948

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

702nd MEETING.

The seven hundred second regular meeting of the Council was held on the fourteenth day of June 1948

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sperr.

Present: Mayor Sperr, Councilman Hamlin, Mortensen, Frady and Nelson. Manager Haber, Attorney Kirkpatrick, Treasurer Dillery and Recorder Martin.

The minutes of the seven hundred first regular meeting of the Council, held on the twenty-fourth day of May, 1948 were approved as written.

A letter from R.S. Milln, with regard to street monuments, which had been set in Main Street in April 1909, but not legalized by the City, was read. Mr. Milln included the descriptions of these monuments in his letter and requested that they be adopted by ordinance, as official monuments. It was moved by Hamlin and seconded by Frady that an Ordinance be drawn adopting street monuments in Main Street as set by E.P. Rands in 1909. Motion carried and so ordered.

The Recorder announced that this was the time and place for the continuance of the hearing on the matter of the vacation of the north 2½ feet of Washington Street between Main Street and the east boundary line of the Portland-Oregon City East Side Highway. (Front Street) The Mayor called for protests to the above mentioned vacation. Mr. Joe Mourer came before the Council and made protest to the vacation on the grounds that the land on the north side of Washington Street was of greater value than that on the south side and that the 2½ foot strip on the south side of the street, which the City would be acquiring, by agreement with J. Earl Jones, in exchange for the 2½ feet taken from the street, was filled in and therefore liable to settle after street improvements and sidewalks were in. Mr. J. Earl Jones reviewed the case, pointing out that the mistake of placing a building (on his property) out into the street a distance of two and one half feet had been made years before he had acquired the property, that his object in asking that this two and one half feet be vacated was not to acquire property but to solve a problem which he had learned about after he had owned the property for some time. Mr. Jones pointed out that the vacation would straighten a jog in Washington Street, which, no doubt, was unknown to the party who had set the building in line with the line of Washington Street east of Main Street. Attorney Kirkpatrick pointed out that in the matter of vacations of streets the question to be considered was whether or not the vacation would be detrimental to the Public's interests.