

SPECIAL MEETING OF AUGUST 3, 1965

COUNCIL CHAMBER

A special meeting of the Council of Milwaukie was held at the call of the Mayor, for the purpose of canvassing the votes of a special election held on the second day of August, 1965, on the third day of August, 1965.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor George P. Haley.

Those present were: Mayor George P. Haley; Councilmen Donald Graf and Paul Slominski; City Manager Max Thompson, City Attorney George Van Bergen, City Engineer Wayne Daigle and Clerk Ellen Martin. Absent: Councilmen Robert Richmond and Edgar Fuller. There were many interested citizens present also.

It was moved by Graf and seconded by Slominski that the Council proceed to canvass the votes of the special election held on the second day of August, 1965. The motion was carried and so ordered.

The Council did then proceed to canvass the votes cast at the Special Election held in the City of Milwaukie on August 2, 1965 at which there was submitted to the legal voters of said City for their adoption or rejection the following proposition:

"Proposed by the City Council and referred to the legal voters of said City AUTHORIZING CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT BUDGET AND LEVY TAXES IN EXCESS OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION

"Shall the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, Clackamas County, Oregon, be authorized and directed to include in the budget and levy a tax on all of the taxable property in said City in the sum of \$353,140.40 for the fiscal year 1965-1966, for general City purposes, which sum exceeds the six per-cent limitation on taxation as set forth in Section 11 of Article XI of the Constitution of Oregon, and which sum shall be in addition to all other taxes levied?"

The canvass of the votes showed the following result:

	IN FAVOR OF BUDGET	AGAINST BUDGET	REJECTED VOTES	TOTAL VOTES
PRECINCT 1	488	579	1	1068
PRECINCT 2	311	648		959
PRECINCT 3	<u>133</u>	<u>193</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>327</u>
GRAND TOTAL OF VOTES	932	1420	2	2354

The Mayor declared that the 1965-1966 budget for the City of Milwaukie had been defeated by the voters of the City.

There followed a discussion on the part of citizens present on the question of why the budget had been voted down, in which several took part. The remarks showed that politics and personalities had played a major part in the election. One citizen stated that this was "his way of showing his contempt for the Council" for their (Council) approving the State Highway access road between Milwaukie and 82nd Avenue.

Attorney Van Bergen advised that the whole matter could be taken into Circuit Court if some creditor or employee would sue the City.

It was moved by Graf and seconded by Slominski that the Council defer action on the budget until the City Attorney has made a complete investigation and day to day ramification of the matter and made a report to the Council. The motion carried and was so ordered.

There was more discussion on the budget but no solution was suggested.

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On motion duly made and carried the meeting adjourned.

Ellen Martin, Clerk