

CITY OF ODEBOLT - REGULAR MEETING

Monday, December 6, 2004 - CITY HALL, 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Rex called the meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Thompson, Bengford and Hemphill. Absent: Hansen and Scott. Also in attendance were: Supervisor Jack Bensley, Deputy Keith Flink, Sheriff Ken McClure, Attorney Joe Heidenreich, Supt. Bill Tysor and Chief Bruce Henderson.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Bengford to approve the agenda. Three ayes. Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Thompson to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Three ayes. Moved by Hemphill and seconded by Bengford to approve the bills as presented: (Three ayes.)

DISBURSEMENTS BY FUND

Community Protection	\$ 7,778.80
Garbage	2,310.63
Recycling	1,496.06
Road Fund	4,912.48
Sewer	3,776.72
Water	54,602.70
Sales Tax	658.73
General Fund	<u>9,731.24</u>
Total	\$85,267.36

NOVEMBER RECEIPTS

Utilities	\$23,692.34
Taxes	6,419.52
Road Fund	6,991.69
Interest	96.60
Misc.	<u>1,001.44</u>
	\$38,201.59

LIBRARY RECEIPTS (October)

Enrich Iowa	\$1,543.48
Misc.	<u>\$ 228.76</u>
	\$1772.24

LIBRARY DISBURSEMENTS (October)

Salaries	\$1,707.71
Utilities	158.11
Operating Exp.	<u>2,249.06</u>
	\$ 4,114.88

Following much discussion on the situation of the Lindquist Building the only workable solution at this time seems that a group of concerned citizens need to be organized to raise the needed funds through the united effort of the people of the community.

As far as the motorized scooters, the State Law prevails. Residents interested in changes are to contact their State Legislators.

As per City Attorney, the bridge on Richland can be vacated and sold to a private owner. He will provide the necessary paperwork and a list of signs that can be posted if this is the decision of the Council.

Sheriff Ken McClure was present to discuss law enforcement coverage on Chief Henderson's days off. He commented that the County has entered into contract with the cities of Lytton and Auburn for limited hours of coverage beginning January 1, 2005. The proposal at this time is an hourly rate of \$38.55 per call. At the City's request these calls will be limited to emergencies only, including accidents and crimes. Following the discussion it was moved by Bengford and seconded by Hemphill to accept a one-year agreement with the County subject to approval of the actual contract when it is received. Three ayes. This is scheduled to go into effect the first or second week of February, 2005.

Two curb drainage areas were discussed following a comment that was received. The problems have been addressed and the City will seek a solution.

One citation will be issued for failure to abate a nuisance. One Notice to Abate will be sent for a junk vehicle.

Moved by Thompson and seconded by Bengford to accept the Library Report. Three ayes.

The Police report was reviewed and discussed. Charges are pending on a recent search warrant on a drug-house.

The Mayor reported that he had been approached about a tax abatement schedule for new construction. This will be further addressed at the January meeting.

Supt. Tysor stated that the well is back on line and everything is working fine. He also reported on the Grant that the Fire Department has been awarded. The amount of the Grant is \$58,351.00. Items included in the Grant consist of a computer, gas detector, handheld radios, Scott Air Packs, Scott PASS Alert, Firefighter1 Training and health screenings.

The Mayor spoke on behalf of the Council and himself in commending Fire Chief Bill Tysor and his officers on their five years of perseverance and staying with the project and now succeeding in receiving this very beneficial Grant. The City wishes to extend their appreciation to all those who worked on the project.

The Council needs to address the issue of replacing the street sweeper. The current sweeper is in need of major repairs. There are times when the sweeper is needed as early as February.

The Christmas and New Year's Holidays will be observed on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Thompson gave her report on the Recreation Meeting. Many items were addressed and some need further research. The reports are on file. The pool received a check for \$1166.50 from the United Funds and the Major/Minors boys and girls each received \$87.50. The City is very appreciative of these donations.

The Fire Department has been approached to sponsor an Explorer Program through the Boy Scouts of America. Following research, the Fire Dept. Squad has decided to proceed if there is enough interest.

At 8:55 p.m. it was moved by Hemphill and seconded by Bengford to adjourn. Three ayes.

Ronald J. Rex, Mayor

Joan Godbersen, City Clerk