The City of Oregon Council met for regular session Monday, March 11th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall located at 106 S. Main St., Oregon. Present were Mayor Richard Wilson, Aldermen Rick Dozier, Kent Bohart, Paxton Crumbaker and D.A. Greiner. City Staff members present were Utility Superintendent Bill Prussman, Street Supervisor Steve Bradbury, Police Chief Joe Martin and City Clerk Tiffany French.

Aldermen Kent Bohart motioned to approve the minutes from the February 12th, 2024 meeting. Aldermen Rick Dozier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Aldermen Rick Dozier made a motion to approve to pay the bills. Motion was seconded by Aldermen Paxton Crumbaker. Motion carried

**Public Participation with Council**

Tom and Becky Stoecklein addressed the council about their concerns over the house located on South Washington that burnt 3 years ago.

Donna Nava advised her water bill was high last month. She had a contractor search for leaks and there were no leaks detected at the time. Bill said he will pull the daily usage report and see if there was a previous leak.

**Department Reports**

Utility Superintendent Bill Prussman advised he had contacted 3 different companies for bids to see what it would cost to run City Hall off the TJ Hall generator. The TJ Hall generator is only an 80KW which could create draw backs. Both furnaces could run at the same time, but the air conditioning units could not. Action Electric was the only company to turn in a bid of $4,761.00. Council postponed a decision and might obtain bids at a later time for City Hall to have its own generator.

Bill said he met with the gas company in regards to the water plant generator. They are going to run a new 2 inch line and a meter set and the generator should be here in the next month or so.

Bill mentioned they are still using the velocity lift station pump, they have the new pump and Action Electric will be here tomorrow to run the wiring and then they can put the new pump in.

Street Supervisor Steve Bradbury said Keller’s is not making any cold patch yet, will possibly be another month before we can get any. Herzog makes their own and does not sell any of it.

Police Chief Joe Martin said he had nothing new to report, has been working on nuisance letters. Joe said he will continue to speak with the city attorney in regards to the burnt house on South Washington Street.

City Clerk Tiffany French advised she met with Zack from OFM about running fiber to the TJ Hall building. Zack installed a Deco box over at the TJ Hall Building to run off city hall’s internet. This will be a trial run to make sure there is enough connection. If this works it will only be an extra $5.00 a month.

Tiffany advised Get-R-Done tree service will trim trees around town after he is done logging over by Maple Grove Cemetery.

The sidewalk ordinance will be completed for next month. The city attorney is making a few adjustments and she was out of the office last week so it will be brought before the council in April.

**Mayors Report**

Richard asked the council when they wanted to host the annual city fire fighter appreciation dinner. Council was in favor for serving steak and shrimp for all the South Holt Fire Fighters at the TJ Hall building on April 27th, 2024.

**Council discussion**

Aldermen Kent Bohart asked why Wes Williams was hired to dig out the ditch on North Washington. Bill said Kelby has more experience and there were several fiber cables in that ditch. Homeowners in the area want it looked at again to see if anything further can be done. Bill said the cables are only 3 to 4 foot down and he will have Kelby look at it again and see if there is any more room to do anything with.

**Unfinished Business**

The final draft of the preliminary engineering report was discussed. A motion was made by Kent to accept the final draft as presented. The motion was seconded by D.A. Greiner. All were in favor.

**New Business**

**Ordinance 334 Bill No. 2024-1**

**An ordinance adopting and enacting a new Code of Ordinances of the OF , COUNTY OF , state OF Missouri; establishing the same; providing for the repeal of certain ordinances not included therein, except as herein expressly provided; providing for the manner of amending such Code of Ordinances; providing penalty for the violation thereof; and providing when this ordinance shall become effective**

Ordinance 334 Bill No. 2024-1 was read by title on the first reading by Mayor Richard Wilson.

Copies of said Ordinance 334 were available for the public. Motion was made by Aldermen Rick Dozier and seconded by Aldermen Paxton Crumbaker to pass Ordinance 334 on the first reading. No Discussion. Motion was made by Aldermen Paxton Crumbaker and seconded by Aldermen Kent Bohart to suspend the rules and pass said bill on the second reading by roll call vote. “Ane” Aldermen: Crumbaker, Bohart, Greiner and Dozier. “Nay”: None.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Aldermen Rick Dozier, seconded by Aldermen Kent Bohart. Motion carried on 4 yes votes.