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MINUTES of an adjourned regular meeting of the City Council, City of Redlands, held at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 1215 Columbia Street, on August 25, 1970, at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Jack B. Cummings, Mayor
Charles G. DeMirjyn, Vice Mayor
Chresten M. Knudsen, Councilman
Ellsworth E. Miller, Councilman
Sam S. Sewall, Councilman

Ralph P. Merritt, Jr., City Manager
Edward F. Taylor, City Attorney

Peggy A. Moseley, City Clerk
Erwin S. Hein, Redlands Daily Facts

ABSENT None

This adjourned regular meeting was scheduled for this time and place as the first of a proposed series of meetings of the Council being held outside the Council Chambers to encourage citizen participation.

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance, followed by the invocation by Reverend Father Ricardo Meza of St. Mary's Church.

Mayor Cummings thanked Father Meza for having the City Council at this time and introduced the following City employees present in the audience: John Shone, Director of Public Works; Police Chief Robert Graefe; Planning Director W. C. Schindler, Gordon Binder; Chief Librarian Phyllis Irshay; Personnel Assistant, Peggy Hooks; Director of Building and Safety Robert Mitchell; Director of Finance H. L. Archbold; and Administrative Assistant John Wagner. Mayor Cummings also introduced the City Clerk, Peggy Moseley; the Deputy City Clerk, Alice Walls; and Redlands Daily Facts representative Hein.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 18th were approved as submitted.

Mayor Cummings announced to the approximately 90 people in the audience that the regular Council meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 P.M. for the regular agenda and 3:00 P.M. for planning agenda, and that these meetings were always open to the public.

ORAL PETITIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Training Program

Mr. William Simader of 1643 Orange Street read a letter from the County Dependency Prevention Commission announcing a meeting at 9:00 A.M. in the Dependency Prevention conference room at 106 West 6th Street in San Bernardino, on Tuesday, September 1st, 1970. This concerns a training program of eight weeks to be sponsored by the Standard Oil Company. Mr. Simader added that the people could sign up locally for this program between 8:00 and 4:30 at the contact office at Union and Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riddle of 646 Cypress Circle brought to Council attention a problem of barking dogs, and were referred to City Attorney Taylor, who explained that this problem may be handled by initiating a complaint signed by the Riddles. City Attorney Taylor offered to assist with this problem.

Mrs. Otto Harris of 1003 6th Street also reported a similar problem and will be assisted by Mr. Taylor and Chief Graefe.

Mrs. Jovita Garcia of 710 West Sun Avenue asked if the City checks on unlicensed dogs, and was assured that owners of dogs which are unlicensed will be fined.

Mrs. T. L. Kelly of 1576 Lassen Street inquired concerning the progress of the installation of the light (traffic signal) at San Bernardino and Orange Streets, and was told that the present delay is caused by the unavailability of a controller device. Mrs. Kelly was told by Mr. Shone that the probable date of installation is January, 1971.

Mrs. Lenore Jimenez of 701 Baldwin Avenue requested a temporary guard or four-way stop at this corner until the installation of the traffic light. This was referred to the City Manager and the Police Chief for study.

ORAL PETITIONS FROM THE FLOOR (Continued)

Mrs. Gilbert Ramirez of 1116 Lawton reported a problem of an alleyway adjacent to her property which is used by teenage boys for drinking, smoking, and glue-sniffing.

Mr. Sam Coyazo of 939 Calhoun Street reported having been robbed twice recently. Chief Graefe acknowledged that robbery is the number one crime presently in the United States, and added that a successful deterrent was cooperation between the neighbors in watching each other's property. Chief Graefe stated that this type of surveillance of an area proved very satisfactory in many cities.

Father Meza of 1005 Columbia Street requested additional police protection on the north side due to the break-ins, muggings and other problems. He stated that five to ten more policemen would be desirable. City Manager Merritt explained to Father Meza the problem of funds for additional personnel. Mr. Merritt added that the $90,000 to $100,000 necessary for ten additional police is not available in the present city tax rate as allowed by State Law. City Manager Merritt stated that the city now pays 1½ million dollars per year for police and fire protection.

Mrs. McArthy of 927 Washington Street requested sidewalks on Texas Street at Stuart Street, and also signs to be placed in the downtown area to keep children with bicycles off the sidewalks.

Mr. Sal Gonzales of 6th Street brought to Council attention the need for sidewalks on Texas Street between Brockton and Tribune, and also the problem of poor lighting. Mr. Gonzales also recommended a four-way stop at 6th and Colton to stop the traffic on Colton Avenue. This matter was referred to the Traffic Commission.

Mr. Julio Martinez of 1128 East Lugonia requested clarification of the gas tax expenditures and a brief summary was given by Mr. Shone of the areas in which this money is permitted to be spent.

Mrs. Florence Coleman requested a progress report on the solution of removal of dead orange groves and was told by City Attorney Taylor that he had filed four complaints in court this morning, and more would follow.

The proposed Long-range Capital Improvement Program was briefly explained to Mr. A. Medina and Mr. Ted Cortez. This is a guide set up by the city as required by both state and federal governments. This program will be considered by the City Council at its meeting of September 15th.

Mr. Philemon Diaz of 1548 Lassen Street requested a clarification of the expenditure of the Park and Recreation Commission funds to which Councilman Sewall and Councilman Knudsen spoke briefly. Mr. Diaz also requested that the 9.2 acres adjacent to the community ball field be developed as soon as possible. Mr. Simader also spoke to this point and urged that at least trees be planted at this time.

Councilman DeMirjyn assured the many people in the audience that all Council members were available to all citizens and that interested citizens should contact their Councilman when problems arise.

Mr. Danny Martinez thanked the Council for bringing the meeting to this hall at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

On motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilman Knudsen, approval was given for the transfer of Option "B" water stock from Higdon to Cockrum.

Councilman Cummings announced the following:

An executive meeting of the Citrus Belt Division on Thursday, August 27, to prepare resolutions for presentation to the League meeting in October.

The Victorville County Fair with the Mayors' Cookoff on Saturday, August 29.

The new teachers' luncheon on Wednesday, August 26.

The cutting of the ribbon of the Audiovisual opening on Friday, at 9:00, September 11.

The Mexican-American celebration on September 12.

City Manager Merritt announced the receipt of $6,861.38 from the Peace Officers Training Fund, as reimbursement to the city for training taken by the Redlands officers in certified courses given under the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Program. Mr. Merritt added that this was the largest amount received by the city in any year.

Fund Deficit

City Manager Merritt presented a request from Larry Hendon, Chairman of the Environmental Conference held in February, 1970, which was jointly sponsored by the City of Redlands, the University of Redlands, and the Chamber of Commerce, for $69.67 which would be the city's portion of a deficit resulting from that conference. On a motion of Councilman Knudsen seconded by Councilman Miller, unanimous authorization was given for the expenditure of $69.67 for the stated deficit.

Authorization was given for a letter of congratulations to Jack Bray for promotion to Police Lieutenant, and recognition as Service Club president.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1416
Pound Fees

Ordinance Number 1416, an ordinance of the City of Redlands amending the City Ordinance Code to adopt an increased pound fee, was given second reading of the title and adopted with waiver of the reading in full, on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Sewall, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: All

NOES: None

Zanja Study

Following discussion of a proposed study to assist the City Council in finalizing their decision for the location of the Zanja, on motion of Councilman Sewall, seconded by Councilman DeMirjyn, the matter was tabled until the next meeting to allow further study, unanimously. Councilman Knudsen introduced Mrs. Patricia Schuermann, who presented the Council with copies of her paper entitled "Flood Control and the Zanja." Councilman Knudsen thanked Mrs. Schuermann for her work.

Vice-Mayor DeMirjyn requested a study be made of the feasibility of extending University Street through to Lugonia at this time. Director of Public Works Shone was requested to have cost surveys made for the next meeting.

Assistant to the City Manager John Wagner reported on the city sponsored bus service for the period between December 18, 1969, and June 30, 1970.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Continued)

Report Bus Service

The bus travelled 21,294 miles. Revenue, $2404.60. City payments, $5,389.51. Total income, $7,794.11. Mr. Wagner explained that Mr. Deaton, the owner, was receiving approximately $155.20 per month for management expense cost, which is considered reasonable. Mr. Wagner added that if the revenues continue to increase a slight reduction of city payments might be appropriate, but recommended that no change be made in the bus payments at this time. The Council thanked Mr. Wagner for his report, and a motion by Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman DeMirjyn, voted to make no change in the arrangements concerning the bus at the present time. This matter will be reviewed at the end of December 1970.

Adult Training Program

City Manager Merritt reported on a training program for adults under the direction of the State Department of Human Resources. Those trained will be residents of Redlands, will work forty hours per week for thirteen weeks, or twenty-six weeks; the salary, insurance and other costs of the training will be paid by the state. Mr. Merritt stated that the city is in a position to accept 15 trainees. Following discussion, on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilman Miller, authorization was given for the City Manager to sign this agreement for this program in behalf of the city.

Manager Merritt reported a request from the City of Ontario for the services of one fire prevention officer to work in the City of Ontario on Sunday, September 6. Following explanation, on motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman DeMirjyn, the City Manager was authorized to sign this agreement with Ontario on behalf of the city.

Engineering Agreement San Timoteo

The Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to sign a supplemental agreement between the L.D. King Engineering Company and the City of Redlands providing for inspection and surveying services necessary for the construction of the San Timoteo bridge, on motion of Councilman DeMirjyn, seconded by Councilman Miller.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Efficiency and Effectiveness

Councilman Sewall read, in its entirety, a proposed resolution whereby the City Council would meet in special session for the purpose of reviewing in detail, efficiency and effectiveness, policies and performances of each department of the city administration. Following discussion, Councilman Miller moved that this resolution be considered at a personnel session. There was no second to this motion. Following further discussion, on motion of Councilman Sewall, seconded by Councilman Miller, the resolution was tabled to the next meeting, September 1, 1970.

Resolution Meals on Wheels

City Attorney Taylor read Resolution 2833, a resolution of the City of Redlands commending the Redlands "Meals on Wheels", and expressing appreciation to President Gertrude Hagum, Vice-president William Simader, Vice-president Reverend Henry W. Keane, Secretary Dr. Alvin T. Fishman, Corresponding Secretary Mrs. Blanche Reese, and Treasurer Horace A. Radford. On motion of Councilman Knudsen, seconded by Councilman Miller, Resolution 2833 was unanimously adopted by the Council.

Mayor Cummings again expressed appreciation to Father Meza for his hospitality, and thanked the ladies who furnished the refreshments.

Bills and salaries were ordered paid as approved by the Finance Committee.

There being no further business, at 9:40 P.M. the Council adjourned, on motion, to a regular meeting to be held September 1, 1970, in the Council Chambers, Safety Hall, 212 Brookside Avenue.

ATTEST:

Jack B. Cummings
Mayor of the City of Redlands

Peggy A. Woolsey
City Clerk

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