

City Hall - January 5, 1977

The City Commission met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Reusch, Loyd, Park and Zook.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held December 15, 1976 were approved as written.

Ordinance No. 2546 - Zoning

An ordinance allowing construction and reconstruction on undersized lots of record as of the effective date of Ordinance No. 2527 was passed. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2547 - Zoning

An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2527 by allowing the establishment of "professional offices, banks and other savings and lending institutions and office buildings which may include shops and stores compatible to the intent and purpose for which this zoning classification is intended" within the Office and Institutional zoning classification was introduced. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Reusch and seconded by Commissioner Zook. Commissioner Park commented that with the addition of shops and stores within this zoning classification that the label of office and institutional was not appropriate. Commissioner Park added that with the addition of shops and stores in this zoning classification that possibly the name of the classification should be changed to something more appropriate. The vote on the motion resulted in all present voting in favor of the motion.

Cereal Malt Beverage License Applications

The following cereal malt beverage license applications for 1977 were approved: Gail A. Brown dba The Spot, 115 S. Main; the Ottawa Country Club, A.C. Chrismer, Manager, East Logan and Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks #803, John L. Humerickhouse, Manager, 114½ W. 2nd. A motion for approval of said license was made by Commissioner Loyd, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present, except Commissioner Reusch, voted in favor of the motion, Commissioner Reusch voted opposing the motion.

North American Hotel - Final Determination

It was reported by the Commission that planning had been progressing on the conversion of the North American Hotel into a housing unit for the low-income elderly for the past three years. During this period of time the city had secured \$300,000 in Community Development funds for the project as well as making arrangements for additional financing in the amount of \$300,000. During this same period of time the cost estimates had increased from under \$375,000 to a present high of \$739,000. In addition to securing financing for the project the city had secured commitments from the Federal Government for rent subsidies for the low-income elderly.

It was further stated by the Commission that even though they feel a strong commitment to providing housing for the low-income elderly that there is also a strong feeling that the costs have exceeded the point where it is feasible to proceed with the project. Consideration has been given to cutting back in some areas but cost estimates indicated that not only was the quality cheapened but the cutbacks were not sufficient to greatly reduce the total project cost.

Commissioner Loyd stated that with deep regret he was going to make the following motion, whereby he made the motion to discontinue the project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

The Commission further reported that they felt that some good use could be made of the North American Hotel building which the city owns and they would pursue these avenues.

Mayor Sheldon commented that the city would be having public hearings in the near future in which public input is invited to determine to what use the remaining \$210,000 of the original \$300,000 grant would be used in the area of community development. Commissioner Zook suggested a public hearing for this purpose be scheduled for January 12 at 7:30 p.m. and another on January 19 at 9:30 a.m. which would coincide with the regular Commission meeting. The City Commission concurred with Mr. Zook's suggestion and the meetings were so scheduled.

Parking Meters Discussion - Ordinance No. 2548

It was discussed by the City Commission that there is a very strong feeling for removal of all parking meters in the City of Ottawa. In order to allow time for a study on this question, a motion was made by Commissioner Reusch to pass an ordinance suspending parking meter operations through February 6, 1977. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Planning Commission

Following is a report of the Planning Commission meeting held January 4, 1977:

"The City Planning Commission held its regular meeting at 7 p.m., January 4, 1977.

At the request of Mr. Tom Gleason, the public hearing on the zoning request of Loyd Builders was continued until the next regular meeting.

The Planning Commission unanimously recommended the alley extending 300 ft. south from Seventh Street, between Poplar and Mulberry, be vacated as per the request of Parker-Krehbiel Associates, subject to the following conditions:

1. A utility easement be given over the present alley right-of-way and no structures to be erected over easement.
2. Drainage be allowed from south end of alley through existing alley and proposed easement of egress and ingress on south side of property.
3. A permanent easement of egress and ingress to unvacated portion of alley be given on south side of property."

No action was taken at this time on these recommendations.

Auditorium Advisory Committee

The following persons were appointed to serve on an Auditorium Advisory Committee to work with the architects in design for the refurbishing of the auditorium: Walter Butler, Don Lambert, Rufus Cadigan, Dale Fox and Joyce Stuermer.

Historic Preservation Ordinance-Study Committee

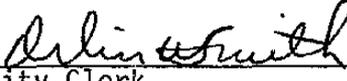
The following persons were appointed to serve on a Historic Preservation Ordinance-Study Committee: Earl Devore, Gary Jordan, Dale Watts, Don Burroughs, Virginia Anderson, Vi Reusch, Jack Davis and Dorothy Nichols. The purpose of this committee is to study and make recommendations for passage of an ordinance for preservation of historic structures and landmarks in the community.

Community Design Committee

The following persons were appointed to serve on a Community Design Committee:

Charles Farley, Mike Cornwell, Virginia Wallace, Dallas Turner, Trish Pratt and Bev Grabham. This committee, upon request, will assist private individuals, as well as the City of Ottawa and organizations, on colorings and designs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - January 12, 1977

The City Governing Body met in special session at 7:30 p.m. this date to hold public hearing for purpose of receiving public suggestion on the expenditure of \$211,068 in Community Development funds. Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Reusch, Loyd and Zook. Absent: Commissioner Park.

The meeting was opened by the Administrative Assistant outlining the types of projects for which these Community Development funds could be spent.

Mr. Marvin Forker, representing the Franklin County Council on Aging, brought forth the suggestion that the city purchase the old bowling alley at 2nd and Cedar to convert into community meeting rooms. Mr. Forker outlined that the Girls Club has been in need of meeting rooms for several years, that the Recreation Commission is in need of extra space, the Senior Club could use additional space and that the Oasis Club is also in need of a place to meet. Mr. Forker mentioned the fact that there would probably be enough space in this building that woodworking and other such equipment could be set up and left in place and not hamper general meeting space.

Mr. Steve Lott spoke for the Girls Club stating that their membership is limited by lack of space and that they are in fact in need of a meeting place and additional space.

Mr. Terry Ostmeyer spoke in favor of converting the North American Hotel into a county recreation center. Mr. Ostmeyer presented the City Commission with a written recommendation, inclusive of not only of the uses proposed for the hotel but estimated costs of renovation.

Mr. Bob Bundy spoke for the Oasis Club emphasizing their need for meeting rooms and work area, that they are also in need of storage space for the toys that they recondition each year for the needy for Christmas.

Mr. Steve Queen, Director of Recreation for the Ottawa Recreation Commission, spoke to remind everyone that in addition to the proposals for the expenditures of these monies that the quarters secured for the various purposes outlined must also be maintained and have utilities furnished for their operation. Mr. Queen also emphasized the fact that he felt that provisions should be made so that the Girls Club could utilize the same quarters as the Boys Club. The Boys Club operates only parttime because of a lack for funds but that he would be in favor of the Girls Club utilizing the same quarters, although the Board of Directors of the Boys Club generally seem to oppose such useage. Lorraine Mox spoke in favor of securing quarters for the Girls Club, Oasis Club and general meeting rooms. Mrs. Mox emphasized the fact that the Girls Club was limited in the number of members they could sustain because of a lack for work area. Mrs. Delores Doman spoke to strengthen the statement of Mrs. Mox.

Mrs. Virginia Loyd asked if the remaining Community Development monies might be used for loans to low-income families to repair their own living quarters. Mrs. Loyd was answered that the money could be so used. Mr. Gene Ward recommended that the basement of the auditorium, which is scheduled to be remodeled, contain facilities for meeting rooms and work area, this would preclude another building being taken from the tax rolls. Steve Lott echoed Mr. Ward's comments by stating that there is a need for a meeting place for groups from out of town, that it is extremely difficult to secure meeting quarters for these groups. It was mentioned at this point that Community Development monies could be spent on municipal auditoriums.

It was also mentioned that consideration is being to building ramps at the crosswalks in the downtown area for use by people in wheelchairs. However, this may be accomplished with other funds.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned with the announcement that a second public hearing would be held at 9:30 a.m., January 19, 1977 along with the regular Commission meeting.

Delores Doman

City Clerk

City Hall - January 19, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Park, Reusch, Zook and Loyd.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held January 5, 1977 were approved after comments of Commissioner Loyd concerning the passage of Ordinance No. 2547. Commissioner Loyd stated that he had been approached concerning a conflict of interest on his vote for the passage of Ordinance No. 2547. Ordinance No. 2547 amends the uses allowed in Office and Institutional zoning. This amendment was brought about by a petition for rezoning of a tract of land owned in part by Commissioner Loyd. Commissioner Loyd said he had visited with the City Attorney concerning any possible conflict of interest and that he was advised that a conflict of interest is only when he is under contract or in the process of selling some thing to the city. Commissioner Loyd recommended at this point that a revote be taken on Ordinance No. 2547. Commissioner Park stated that he did not feel that a conflict of interest was involved and recommended for approval of minutes as they were written. These minutes were then approved by the Governing Body.

The minutes of the special meeting which was held at 7:30 p.m., January 12, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Public Hearing - Community Development Funds

Mayor Sheldon opened this meeting by stating that they would now hear from those present concerning the city's expenditure of \$210,000 in Community Development Funds.

Mrs. Gloria Terrill, Director of Franklin County Day Care Center, asked for funds to purchase a van type vehicle for purpose of moving children to and from the Day Care Center. Mrs. Terrill stated they have many handicapped children now attending the Day Care Center and that transportation to move these children to and from the school does become a real problem. Mrs. Terrill said she thought the Day Care Center had a real need in this area, that part of the program of the Day Care Center is to teach the handicapped alongside those who are not handicapped, thus showing the handicapped how to communicate with those who are not handicapped and showing those who are not handicapped how to communicate with the handicapped. It was brought out in the overall discussion of this request that Community Development Funds cannot be used for transportation needs but that if the Day Care Center might be able to purchase the van, possibly Community Development Funds could be used in another area of their operation.

Mr. Bob Pence, Chairman of Youth Services, Inc., who operates the Home Base home for boys, requested \$12,000 to \$15,000 for remodeling a portion of the Home Base home to be used as quarters for the alternate Home Base parents.

Mrs. Virginia Loyd appeared before the City Commission requesting funds to institute a program of education for the youth of Ottawa between the ages of 14 to 18 years. The program, set up and directed by the Department of Public Safety, would be to educate the youth on the law, the penalties for violation of the law, juvenile delinquency, sex crimes and other problem areas concerning youth. Mrs. Loyd suggested that a committee of 15 youth between the ages of 14 and 18 and 10 adults be appointed by the Department of Public Safety to study and help implement such a program. Mrs. Loyd had estimated the cost of such a program of about \$36,000 which would include the hiring of a professional in this area to assist in guiding the program.

Mr. Howard Lee appeared asking if funds from our Community Development Grant could be used for beautification in Ottawa. Mr. Lee stated that he was aware of several homes and various sites in Ottawa that were, what he termed, ugly and that with these funds and the help, hopefully, of the youth in Ottawa, maybe a project in beautification could be accomplished.

Mr. Clarence Koch suggested that possibly the North American Hotel could be utilized in the on-going food program for the low-income elderly and that possibly Community Development funds could be used in this area. Mr. Koch further suggested that the Hotel might be remodeled into sleeping and living quarters for the low-income elderly with no cooking privileges provided. Mr. Koch pointed out that the old coffee shop has cooking and eating facilities that might lend itself to this type of project.

Request of Library Board

Mr. Jerry Thompson, President of the Library Board of Trustees, introduced Mr. Jim Marvin, Consultant. Mr. Marvin had been hired by the Library Board to explore the present and future needs of the library and to make recommendations concerning the present library facility, the possibility of enlarging the facility and of acquiring a new library facility. Mr. Marvin, in his remarks before the City Commission, indicated that he had done a thorough study of the library physical plant of the services offered by the library and that there were some deficiencies developing in the present structure to meet the on-going needs of a library such as Ottawa has. Mr. Marvin stated that the library building, probably one of the oldest buildings in Ottawa, is in a structurally sound state but that the library is expanding beyond the capabilities of the present building. Mr. Marvin explained that the library no longer serves as just the place to secure books but that the library, in addition to books, handles various periodicals and magazines which are stored for long periods of time for reference material. In addition to this, the library has opened a new program of supplying information on any subject to those asking for it and all of these new services require additional space. It was brought out that the library is presently using all available space and that the stacks in which the books are kept are getting increasingly higher and increasingly closer together to make room for new materials. All of these activities, in increasing the capacity of the library, make it increasingly difficult to get up and down the aisles and secure the books and information needed. Mr. Marvin strongly suggested that the City Commission secure the services of a consultant to make a determination as to whether the present library should be enlarged or whether there is need for a new structure. Mr. Marvin reported that the plumbing in the library is very inadequate and at the present time there is only one rest-room that is operational in the library and that is one that was previously reserved for library personnel. In addition to securing services of a consultant, Mr. Marvin recommended that a study begin now to explore the possibilities of funding an expansion to the present library or a new library facility.

Request of the Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee

Mr. Lee Olmstead, representing the Greater Ottawa Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee, presented a request of the Aviation Committee that the present method of the operation of the Ottawa Municipal Airport be discontinued and that an airport board be appointed and be given complete control of the airport both in the areas of receiving revenues and making expenditures. Mr. Olmstead stated that the service at the Ottawa Municipal Airport at the present time is totally inadequate but that he felt an airport board, given proper authority, could operate the airport in a successful manner. Mr. Olmstead stated that in making this request the airport board would request that all properties now considered as airport properties would be turned over to the airport board for complete operation. Mr. Olmstead further asked that in addition to the rents that the city receives from the present airport properties, that the airport board be given an amount each year equal to .89 mills.

The discussion which followed Mr. Olmstead's request included the possibility of the establishment of a port authority which would be responsible for all airport operations. The port authority then would be responsible for receiving all revenues and making all disbursements for the operation of the airport. The legality of the establishment of a port authority by a second class city was questioned. Mr. Bob Green, attorney, volunteered his services to research the legalities of such a port authority.

Request of the Ottawa Recreation Commission

Mr. Steve Queen, Recreation Director of the Ottawa Recreation Commission, presented requests of the Recreation Commission. First, Mr. Queen requested

that the auditorium, when remodeled, be turned over to the Recreation Commission for operation. Mr. Queen stated that he felt that the Recreation Commission would have the time and the staff to control and solicit bookings for the auditorium as well as coordinate the use of the downstairs area for meeting rooms. Second, Mr. Queen requested that additional water outlets be provided for the tennis courts. The need for additional water is for the purpose of hosing off the courts and keeping them clean. It was also requested that the bang boards located inside the tennis court area be moved outside of the tennis court area. Third, Mr. Queen requested that the tennis courts and play courts have additional lighting. Mr. Queen stated that the main hours of use of these courts at the present time is from 7:30 in the evening to 10:30 at night and lighting is not adequate. Fourth, Mr. Queen requested that the sunken dugouts around the baseball diamonds be removed and above ground dugouts be installed in their place. This request was made because of the high maintenance cost of the sunken dugouts plus the fact that the above ground dugouts would be more easily utilized by the players.

At the end of Mr. Queen's presentation, Mr. Loyd commented that he would prefer that the auditorium stay under the control of the city for operation. Mr. Park then commented that this request could overlap with the library in the areas of more services and more space.

Cereal Malt Beverage Application

An application to sell cereal malt beverage at retail as submitted by Christopher B. Chaney for the operation of the Conoco Travel Shoppe was approved. A motion for approval of said application was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Loyd and all present voted in favor of the motion except Commissioner Reusch who voted opposing the motion.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



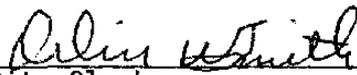
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City Hall - January 19, 1977

The City Governing Body met in special session at 12:00 noon this date for the purpose of considering passage of an ordinance to vacate an alley located between Poplar and Mulberry Streets and running south from 7th Street approximately 300 feet. Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Zook, Park and Reusch. Absent: Commissioner Loyd.

Mayor Sheldon opened the meeting by requesting that the City Attorney, John Richeson, give a report on the actions of the District Court in overriding a decision made by the City Board of Zoning Appeals. Mr. Richeson stated that the District Court this date had overruled a decision of the City of Ottawa Board of Zoning Appeals by allowing an apartment complex of 60 units to be constructed on a tract of land that was approximately 13,000 sq. ft. short of the area necessary for this purpose under the terms of the zoning ordinance. Mr. Richeson stated that the court had found that the Board of Zoning Appeals was unreasonable in not granting such a request. The court did, however, condition its ruling to reflect that this apartment complex must be furnished with at least 60 off street parking spaces. Mr. Richeson said that the court found that the construction of this apartment complex on this tract of land is within the intent of keeping the zoning ordinance. Mr. Richeson further stated that in order for this project to proceed that the Governing Body must take action on an ordinance vacating an alley located between Poplar and Mulberry Streets running south from 7th Street approximately 300 feet. This action had been recommended by the City Planning Commission at an earlier meeting. It was further indicated by the City Attorney that the zoning ordinance of the city, though it does list a home for the aged, does not define a home for the aged; further, that the zoning ordinance does allow a home for the aged to be built on a tract of land two acres or larger. This proposed apartment complex does comply with these regulations.

Upon completion of discussion concerning the findings of the court, Commissioner Park made a motion to direct the City Attorney to draw an ordinance vacating an alley located between Poplar and Mulberry Streets running south from 7th Street 300 feet, more or less. This motion was conditioned to the owners of the property furnishing the city with an all utility easement running the length of the alley which is in the process of being vacated and an easement of ingress and egress located on the south side of this property connecting to the remaining alley in that block. The motion further authorized the Mayor to sign said ordinance at such times as it is drawn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion. The business for which the special meeting was called being concluded, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - February 2, 1977

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held January 19, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Report of Planning Commission

The City Planning Commission held its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. February 1, 1977. The Planning Commission held public hearing on the request for change in zoning submitted by Marion and Erma Smithey. The Smithey's have requested a tract of ground located between Cedar and Oak streets and between Dundee and Garfield streets be rezoned from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to R-1 (Single Family). This public hearing was continued till the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission which will be held March 1, 1977.

The public hearing on the zoning change request as submitted by Loyd Builders to rezone a tract located on the west side of Main street between 13th and 15th from O-I (Office Institutional) to C-1 (Neighborhood Shopping District) was continued until the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission which will be held March 1, 1977.

Parade Request- Abdulah Temple

Mr. O. R. Kirby representing the Abdulah Temple presented a request for a parade. Mr. Kirby stated that the Abdulah Shrine Temple desires to have a parade on Main street in Ottawa, on Saturday, March 12th, 1977. The parade will begin at 11:00 a.m. from 5th and Main street and proceed north on Main street to Massasoit. Mr. Kirby stated there would be from 350 to 600 persons in Ottawa that day for the parade and to attend other Abdulah Temple activities. Permission for the parade as requested by the Abdulah Temple was granted by the City Commission.

Discussion On Consideration The Removal of Parking Meters

Mr. Dave Mudrick, local merchant, appeared before the City Governing Body and congratulated the Governing Body on the recent 2 month moratorium on parking meters on the downtown area. Mr. Mudrick stated that the past November and December had been the best months for business in the entire history of his store. Mr. Mudrick furthered his statement by asking for complete removal of parking meters in the downtown area. Mr. Mudrick said, that he had visited several shopping areas in and around this area over the past few months on Saturday evenings and Sunday, and had found many Franklin County cars in the shopping centers. Further Mr. Mudrick said he was aware of several towns in this area that had removed parking meters and that in as much as they had not been reinstalled the removal of parking meters must have been successful.

Mr. Mudrick was asked if he would favor of removal of parking meters with no enforcement or if a one or two hour time limit would be desired. Mr. Mudrick answered that he would favor some type of time limit enforcement. The possibilities of a one hour parking limit on Main street and a two hour parking limit in the off street parking lots and side streets were discussed. It was indicated by the City Commission that they desire input from the Ottawa Chamber of Commerce and the Ottawa Retailers Association as to their desires on types of parking enforcement should the parking meters be removed. Further, the Governing Body invited all interest parties to the next City Commission meeting which will be February 16, to discuss the parking meter issue.

Ordinance No. 2549- Parking Meter Moratorium

A motion was made by Commissioner Zook to instruct the City Attorney to draw an Ordinance extending the parking meter moratorium for an additional month and to authorize the Mayor to sign said Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Loyd and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Prior to the motion Commissioner Zook went on record as saying that he would be

opposed to using Revenue Sharing Funds to enforce parking time limits in the Central Business District. Commissioner Zook said, that he felt this type of expenditures defeated the intent for which we receive Revenue Sharing Funds.

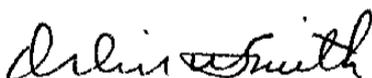
Proposed Use of Community Development Funds

Mayor Sheldon stated that the City Commission had reached a decision on the expenditure of \$211,000 in Community Development Fund as follows: Rehabilitation of Substandard dwelling units \$50,000, with \$20,000 for loans, and \$30,000 for Grants, Recreation consisting of outdoor tennis and Basketball facilities, \$40,000, Beautification consisting of tree and stump removal and planting of new trees, \$14,000. Street improvements of approximately 5 blocks \$70,068, Removal of Architectural Barriers to Handicapped and Central Business District which consists of building curb ramps for wheelchair person, \$25,000, and Administration for the total program \$12,000 for a total of \$211,068.

It was stated by the commission that they realized that this expenditure does not conform to all of the requests for funds they had received. But, that in their own best judgement these are the areas that in which the money should be spent. It was further stated that proportionately perhaps those monies to be expended for Rehabilitation of Substandard dwellings is relatively small, but that the grant application which is presently being submitted would be earmarked almost totally for Rehabilitation of Substandard dwellings. Those persons who previously submitted requests for Community Development Funds were requested to make their request at a later date for Revenue Sharing Funds and perhaps additional requests could be honored with Revenue Sharing Funds.

It was pointed out that the biggest request received by the City Commission was for meeting rooms for the various organization. With these requests in mind it is hoped that the basement of the Memorial Auditorium when renovated can be utilized for these purposes.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk, and will remain so for one year to the date of the meeting.

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City Clerk

City Hall - February 16, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date. Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Park, Loyd, Reusch and Zook. Absent: None.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held February 2, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Public Hearing - Expenditure of Revenue Sharing Funds

Mrs. Gloria Terrill, Director of the Franklin County Child Development and Services, Inc., opened the hearing by requesting \$10,000.00 in Revenue Sharing Funds for the purpose of buying equipment for the Day Care Center which the Franklin County Child Development and Services, Inc. operates. Mrs. Terrill stated that if the facility could receive the \$10,000.00 for equipment, that other funds of the organization could be diverted to providing a teacher for home bound persons. Mrs. Terrill stated that the Day Care Center in addition to providing a baby-sitting type service for mother's that work, that the Day Care Center also provides teaching services for many handicapped children and in many cases it would be advantageous to have a teacher to go to the home and provide these services to those persons who can not come to the Center.

Mr. Bob Pence representing Youth Services Inc. who operate the Home Base Home for Boys, requested \$7,500.00 in Revenue Sharing Funds for the Home Base operation. Mr. Pence explained that these monies would be used to expand the dining area, finish the quarters for the assistant teacher and to provide recreation equipment. The expansion of the dining area was estimated to amount to \$4,500.00, finish the quarters for the assistant teacher in the amount of \$1,950.00 and to purchase recreation equipment in an amount of \$1,000.00 for a total of \$7,500.00.

Rev. Bill Weber of the Calvary Baptist Church asked if Revenue Sharing Funds could be used to provide storm sewers in the vicinity of 7th & Pine street. Rev. Weber stated that during times of rain, water ponds at 7th & Pine and it creates a messy situation for those persons attending his church.

Mr. David Hamm of Eckan requested \$6,430.00 of Revenue Sharing Funds for weatherization of the homes of low income persons. Mr. Hamm stated that these monies would be spent in the area of storm windows, storm doors, and insulation and that the total expenditure of these monies would be in Ottawa. Commissioner Park asked if Community Development Funds could be used for this type of expenditure. Mr. Park was answered that Community Development Funds could be spent in this area.

Mr. Dale Fox a member of the Advisory Group for the renovation of the Memorial Auditorium requested that \$30,000.00 in Revenue Sharing Funds could be used to purchase additional equipment for the Memorial Auditorium. Mr. Fox stated that since the bond issue in the amount of \$600,000.00 was approved that rising costs has partially eroded this amount of money. The additional equipment that Mr. Fox suggested purchasing would be a stage lighting system, a sound system, a light panel, a full sized traveler, curtains, mechanized fly system, and a communication system.

Mr. Steve Queen, Director of the Ottawa Recreation Commission, requested that Revenue Sharing Funds be used to assist in the operation of the Municipal Swimming Pool. Mr. Queen stated that due to the increase in water rates and the fact that much of the equipment at the swimming pool is going to have to be rebuilt or replaced in the near future that it is becoming a burden on the Recreation Commission to operate the pool. Mr. Queen was asked if many of the free services that the Recreation Commission now provides at the pool could not have a nominal charge affixed to them to help off set some of these operational costs. Mr. Queen was opposed to fixing a cost to these services. Mr. Queen did not say an amount for which he was seeking.

Robert Mills, City Manager, read a letter from the Franklin County Council on Aging

requesting \$2,000.00 for the maintenance of a mini-bus which they have recently purchased. The letter stated that the Franklin County Council on Aging had received \$3,500.00 from Franklin County for purchase of the bus and that a mill-levy had been approved for operation of the bus, but no funds would be received from the mill-levy till 1978, thus they were needing funds for 1977.

City Manager Mills also read a list of proposed uses for Revenue Sharing Funds as proposed by the City of Ottawa. These uses were: Slurry seal of roads in the Park \$8,000.00, seal coat the roads in Highland Cemetery \$4,500.00, initiate a program of replacing Catch Basins within the City \$7,500.00, beautification of Parking Lots \$9,000.00 and work on the entry of the Parking Lots on Hickory street between 2nd and 3rd \$2,000.00 for a total of \$31,000.00.

There was no action taken on these requests at this time.

Discussion on Future Status of Parking Meters In The Central Business Dist.

Mr. Wayne Bayler, representing the Ottawa Retail Association, appeared before the Commission and stated that the Ottawa Retail Association had gone on record for removal of parking meters in the Central Business District. Mr. Bayler stated that the Ottawa Retail Association did not come forward with recommendations as to future enforcement of parking in the Central Business District, but that they were in favor of removal of Parking Meters.

Mayor Sheldon stated that since the last meeting of the City Governing Body that some input had been received from the citizens of Ottawa mainly favoring the retention of Parking Meters in the Central Business District. Mayor Sheldon stated that it appeared that those residing inside the city favored leaving the Parking Meters in and those living outside the city favored removal of Parking Meters.

Mr. Joel Nordeen, appeared before the City Commission stating that he was not a member of the Ottawa Retail Association, but that he was in favor of the removal of Parking Meters. Mr. Nordeen said that he felt that there were going to be some problems with the owners and employees of the shops downtown using the parking spaces and that he felt that these cars should be marked in some way so that those persons working downtown could be given a stiffer penalty for abusing the parking privilege.

Resolution No. 163 - Sewer Connection Fees

A resolution establishing a fee of \$7.50 per lineal front foot for connection to the City Sanitary Sewer System for those tracts of ground that have never been in a sewer Benefit District was passed. In addition to establishing a front foot fee, the resolution further set forth minimum fees and maximum lot sizes. The motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park, and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2550 - Tradesman Examinations

An Ordinance establishing and limiting the offering and taking examinations to engage in the business of Plumbing, Gas Fitting, Electrical and General Contractor within the City of Ottawa, Kansas was passed. The Ordinance set forth any person taking one of the examinations as stated above and failing the examination must wait 30 days before taking the examination again, should he fail the second time, he must wait 90 days before taking the examination, should he fail the 3rd time, he must wait 6 months before taking another examination. A motion for passage of said Ordinance was made by Commissioner Reusch, seconded by Commissioner Lloyd and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2551 - An Ordinance Ammending The Plumbing Code of The City Of Ottawa

An Ordinance ammending the plumbing code of the City of Ottawa by disallowing the connection of surface water drain to the Sanitary Sewer System of the City was passed. It was reported that the Kansas State Board of Health has regulations

disallowing such connections and that in order for the City of Ottawa to conform with the regulations of the Kansas State Board of Health that this Ordinance must be passed. Commissioner Loyd stated that he disagreed with these regulations, due to soil conditions in this area these types of drains are necessary. A motion for passage of said Ordinance was made by Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Reusch and all present voted in favor of the motion, except Commissioner Loyd who voted opposing the motion, as per his reasons stated above.

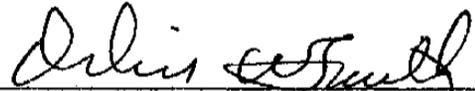
Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee

Mr. Bob Green, representing the Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee, stated that his committee is looking with continued interest to the appointment of Airport authority. Mr. Green asked that the City Commission move with speed toward the appointment of an airport authority that this body might become operational.

Comments of Commissioner Zook

Commissioner Zook suggested that Mayor Sheldon write to State Senator Gaar, State Senator Winter and State Representative Wingert concerning the possibility of the State sharing its Revenue Sharing Funds with municipalities. Mr. Zook stated that Senator Gaar had gone on record favoring the disbursement of State Revenue Sharing Funds to municipalities and he felt Senator Gaar deserved our support as well as letting Senator Winter and Representative Wingert know of our position on the matter.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on file in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


City Clerk

City Hall - March 2, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Reusch and Commissioners Loyd, Zook and Park.
Absent: Mayor Sheldon.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held February 16, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Ordinance 2552 - Determination of Future Status of Parking Meters

Commissioner Park opened the discussion by reporting on a study he had made of the Comprehensive Plan of the City concerning parking in the Central Business District. Following are some of the comments Commissioner Park made which were taken from the Comprehensive Plan: the peak parking times are at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., 75.5% of all cars parked in the CBD park less than one hour, on an average 50% of the parking spaces are unoccupied, on an average the parking space supply is sufficient but the southeast section of the CBD could use an off-street parking lot, more enforcement is needed for proper turnover of parking spaces, the east and south sides of the courthouse do not have enough parking spaces - these spaces are occupied mainly by government employees and manufacturing employees, an average of \$10 per hour per parking space is spent in the CBD, time restrictions should be adjusted to maintain maximum parking space turnover and the courthouse should provide employee parking. These are some of the statements of Commissioner Park, Commissioner Park's complete statement is on tape in the files of the City Clerk.

Commissioner Loyd commented that with the removal of parking meters there would be an additional \$25,000 per year cost to the taxpayers to enforce parking regulations in the downtown area. Commissioner Loyd further said that part of the responsibility to maintain proper parking turnover should be carried by property owners and employees within the CBD. Commissioner Loyd recommended a one hour parking limitation on Main Street and a two hour parking limitation on all other areas in the CBD.

Commissioner Zook commented that a study of parking made in the CBD indicated meters would help in parking space turnover. Commissioner Zook further stated that he had received comment that it was more difficult to find a place to park without parking meters. Commissioner Loyd made a motion that an ordinance be drawn to eliminate parking meters in the Central Business District, that parking on Main Street from the bridge south to 5th Street be one hour, all other parking in the CBD be for two hours, parking lots in the CBD not to be affected by these time limitations but to remain as currently posted, each offense be considered as a separate offense and that the fines for overtime parking be \$2.00 and if paid within 48 hours that the fines be reduced to \$1.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Planning Commission

The public hearing on the zoning change request of Marion and Erma Smithey was continued at this time. The Smithey's had requested a tract of land located between Cedar and Oak Streets and between Dundee and Garfield Streets be rezoned from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to R-1 (Single Family). The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend to the City Commission that this request be denied.

The Planning Commission received a request from S. G. Howell concerning development of additional mobile home spaces at the mobile home park located at 6th and Burrough. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to permit Mr. Howell to construct the additional mobile home spaces provided said construction conforms to the requirements as set forth in the zoning ordinance of the city.

In further action, the Planning Commission granted permission to Mr. Max Kirkland to operate a part-time Dip and Strip business as a home occupation.

Proclamation - Girl Scout Week

A proclamation proclaiming the week of March 6 through March 12, 1977 as Girl Scout Week in the City of Ottawa was signed by Mayor Pro-Tem Reusch.

Announcement - Public Hearing - Use of Revenue Sharing Funds

It was announced by the City Commission that a public hearing on the proposed use of revenue sharing funds for 1977 will be held at 9:30 a.m., March 16, 1977. The use of revenue sharing funds as proposed is as follows:

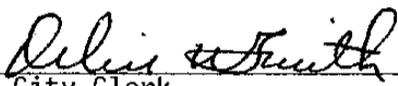
Public Safety	\$31,500
Environmental Protection	7,500
Public Transportation	49,925
Recreation	11,000
Beautification	8,000
Parking Lot Improvements	2,000
Library	5,650
Historic Preservation	3,000
Social Development	10,000
Auditorium	15,000

\$143,575

Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee

Mr. Glenn Underwood, representing the Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee, appeared before the City Commission requesting that negotiations move forward for the formation of an airport authority for the Ottawa Municipal Airport. Mr. Underwood stated that Mr. Robert Green, attorney, is drafting the proposed agreement and that the city will receive copies of it in the near future. Mr. Underwood emphasized the fact that the aviation committee does not favor an increase in taxes for purpose of operation of the airport.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of the meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain for one year from the date of this meeting.



City Clerk

CITY HALL - March 16, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date. Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Zook, Loyd and Park. Absent: Commissioner Reusch.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held March 2, 1977 were approved as they were written.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVENUE SHARING BUDGET

Mayor Sheldon opened the Proposed Revenue Sharing Budget hearing by giving the areas in which Revenue Sharing monies are proposed to be spent and the amounts to be spent in these specific areas. The areas and amounts are as follows: Public Safety - \$31,500.00, Environmental Protection - \$7,500.00, Public Transportation - \$49,925.00, Recreation - \$11,000.00, Beautification - \$8,000.00, Parking Lot Improvements - \$8,000.00, Library - \$5,650.00, Historic Preservation Survey - \$3,000.00, Social Development - \$10,000.00, and the Municipal Auditorium - \$15,000.00. Mayor Sheldon then asked for comments from anyone wishing to discuss the Proposed Revenue Sharing Budget of Expenditures. Mr. Marvin Forker addressed the Commission stating that he was Chairman of the Franklin County Council on Aging and expressed disappointment that the Franklin County Council on Aging had not received their request for \$2,000.00. Mr. Forker stated that the \$2,000.00 they requested was for the operation of their bus which is to visit outlying areas of the City and the County for the purpose of transporting elderly persons to the City of Ottawa to conduct their business. Mr. Forker further stated that after January 1978 that a Mill Levy would be available to the Council for this purpose but until that time the Council was short on funds to operate their bus. Mr. Forker commented that their Nutrition Program had funds to operate the bus for the purpose of bringing people to Ottawa for the Nutrition Program but that the Council on Aging did not have the funds to operate a regular bus run. After discussion of this subject Commissioner Loyd made a motion to amend to Proposed Budget to give the Franklin County Council on Aging \$1,500.00 for the operation of their bus and to reduce the amount to be spent at the Municipal Auditorium from \$15,000.00 to \$13,000.00. Commissioner Park seconded the motion and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Bob Pence appeared before the Commission to thank them for allocating \$5,000.00 of Revenue Sharing Funds to Youth Services Inc., Mr. Pence's request was for funds to modify their present facility.

Commissioner Zook made a motion to adopt the Revenue Sharing Budget as amended, Commissioner Park second the motion and all present voted in favor of the motion.

CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

At the meeting of March 2, 1977 the Planning Commission had recommended against the re-zoning of a tract of land as requested by Marion and Erna Smithey. The Smithey's had requested a tract of land located between Cedar and Oak Streets, and between Dundee and Garfield Streets be re-zoned from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to R-1 (Single Family). After giving consideration to the recommendations of the Planning Commission and the impact that such re-zoning would have on the zoning of the City and comprehensive plan of the City, Commissioner Park made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the request for re-zoning. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Loyd and all present voted in favor of the motion.

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR A CAMPOUT IN FOREST PARK

The NightCrawler Camping Club submitted a request to have a Camporee in Forest Park on July 4th in conjunction with the Jaycee Celebration. The request stated that their request had been cleared with the Jaycee Organization. Through dis-

cussions of this request by the City Commission and City Manager and it was noted that the Night Crawlers had held a campout in Forest Park on July 4th of last year and that there were no problems incurred. Further, it was pointed out that last year the campers were to use an area designated as between the west dike and the westerly most road in the park, that there were only 100 units allowed in the area and that self-contained units only be allowed in the area. It was further explained that reservations to camp in the park at this period of time must be directed to the Night Crawler Club and that reservations will be granted on a first-come, first serve basis and not limited to the Night Crawler Camping Club only.

Commissioner Zook made a motion to authorize the Mayor to grant the request subject to the conditions imposed on the campout last year and any other conditions that might be deemed necessary. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Loyd and all present voted in favor of the motion. Permission for the campout was then granted by Mayor Sheldon.

REPORT OF BIDS ON GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ISSUE

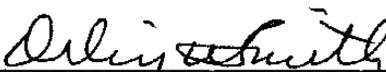
It was reported by the City Manager that the City had received bids for the sale of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$396,661.21. These bids were received on March 15, 1977 and the bidders and interest rates are as follows: Stern Brothers of Kansas City, Missouri submitted a bid with a net interest cost of \$102,619.75 with an average interest rate of 4.33605, Kansas State Bank, Ottawa, Kansas, net interest cost - \$103,515.37, average interest cost - 4.374, United Missouri Bank of Kansas City, Missouri, net interest cost of \$104,134.37 with an average interest rate of 4.40054, Commerce Bank of Kansas City, Missouri, a net interest cost of \$104,306.98 with an average interest rate of 4.4073473, E. F. Hutton and Co., Kansas City, Missouri, net interest cost - \$105,599.75 with an average interest rate of 4.46197, George K. Baum and Co., Kansas City, Missouri, net interest cost of \$106,534.75 with an average interest rate of 4.5014 and Fourth National Bank of Wichita, Kansas, a net interest cost of \$107,509.42 with an average interest rate of 4.54266. It was recommended by the City Manager that we accept the bid of Stern Brothers of Kansas City, Missouri, it being the lowest bid and it had been checked and proven for accuracy. Commissioner Park made a motion that the purchase of the bonds be awarded to Stern Brothers of Kansas City, Missouri which set forth a net interest cost of \$102,619.75 and an average annual interest rate of 4.33605. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present, as stated above, voted in favor of the motion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was announced by Mayor Sheldon that the Department of Public Safety will hold an open house at their new facility Sunday, March 20, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Mayor Sheldon invited all citizens of Ottawa to visit the new Department of Public Safety and view the changes that had been made to accommodate this department. The City Commission went on record as being very pleased with the performance of Doug Harris during the time he was employed with the City, they further wished him well on his new job as City Manager of Osawatomie, Kansas.

A final announcement was made that due to the fact of the severe winter which the area has just gone through and the fact that due to the severe winter the City Power Plant has been burning oil to generate electricity, the fuel cost for the City will be over 2¢ per kilowatt hour during the month of March. It was further stated that it is hoped that the fuel cost will begin to lower in the near future.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


City Clerk

City Hall - April 6, 1977

The City Commission met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date: Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Zook, Park, Loyd and Reusch. Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held March 16, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Resolution of Intent - Funding for the Construction of a New Water Treating Facility

The City Governing Body took action on the acceptance and approval of the engineer's estimate for the construction of a new water treating system and water distribution line improvements. The engineering firm of A. C. Kirkwood and Associates have estimated the total cost of the improvements proposed to be \$5,000,000. The motion for acceptance and approval of the estimates as submitted by the engineers was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

A resolution of intent to construct a new water treating facility and make improvements to the distribution system for a total cost not exceeding \$5,000,000 and to issue water revenue bonds in the amount of \$5,000,000 to pay the cost of such improvements was introduced. A motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Reusch, seconded by Commissioner Loyd and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance #2553 - General Obligation Bonds

An ordinance authorizing and directing the issuance of sewer improvement bonds, Series A, 1977 of the City of Ottawa, Kansas in the sum of \$396,661.21 for the purpose of improving of sanitary sewers in said city and fixing the details of said bonds was introduced. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Reusch and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Planning Commission

It was reported that the Planning Commission did not hold their regularly scheduled meeting of April 5, 1977 because of the lack of quorum present.

Photographers License - Lowes Studio

A request for issuance of a photographers license as submitted by the Lowes Studio of Water Valley, Mississippi was received. The City Commission questioned the need of photographers to be licensed in the city, it was explained that the ordinance which requires photographers to be licensed in the city is still in the official ordinance book of the city but that it probably was not necessary. It was discussed that the ordinance was probably enacted many years ago at a time when there were many itinerate photographers frequenting the city and some might have been of questionable character, not fulfilling their obligations once the service was performed and the money received. The Governing Body indicated they would like to have the need of photographers considered and that if such were not deemed necessary, an ordinance repealing the ordinance which requires licensing of photographers be drawn. A motion to approve the issuance of a photographers license as requested by Lowes Studios was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Request for Easter Sunrise Service in Kanza Park

A request from the Westminster Presbyterian Church to hold an Easter Sunrise Service in Kanza Park was received. A motion to grant the request of the Westminster Prebyterian Church was made by Commissioner Reusch, seconded by Commissioner Loyd, with Commissioners Loyd, Reusch and Park voting in favor of the motion and Mayor Sheldon and Commissioner Zook abstaining from voting.

Request to Use Forest Park for Bicycle Races

A request was received from the National Honor Society of Ottawa High School to close Forest Park Saturday, April 23, 1977 for the purpose of hold bicycle races around the park. The City Commission expressed concern at closing the park to all persons except those participating in bicycle races. Mary McFarland, Chairman of the bike race, stated that there would be entries from Lawrence, Kansas City, and many surrounding towns participating in the planned bicycle race event. It was discussed by the City Commission that possibly the park could be closed to vehicular traffic but left open for those who might choose to walk in to use the park. Commissioner Park made a motion that the Mayor be authorized to authorize the use of the park for bicycle racing, providing the park not be closed to the public and other details be worked out, The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

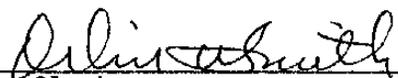
Complaint of Mr. W. C. Goodman

Mr. W. C. Goodman, who lives on 7th Street Terrace, appeared before the City Commission to complain that in cleaning out the ditches in front of his property that much sod had been dug up and the ditches were left in such a state that he can no longer mow through them and maintain them properly. Mr. Goodman did admit that the ditches were higher than the tubes in that area but that there had not been a real drainage problem and that any drainage problem would be caused from a tube further down the street which had not been properly maintained by the city. The City Manager explained that the city is in the process of cleaning up the ditches and that Mr. Goodman's problem will be looked into, cleaned up and seeded so that it can again be maintained in the manner that it was before the ditch was cleaned.

Request of Mr. A. J. Jefferies

Mr. A. J. Jefferies appeared before the City Commission and asked if the city had an ordinance to prohibit the storage of junk cars and other junk materials on private property. Mr. Jefferies explained that in the 1000 block of South Sycamore on the west side of the street there is a property that has several junk cars stored on it and it does create an eye-sore. The City Manager stated that the city does have an ordinance prohibiting the storage of junk cars and other junk materials on private property, and that the city will attempt to take appropriate action to correct this situation. Mr. Mills further stated that anyone being aware of these situations please call the City Hall and city will investigate the matter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - April 20, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Sheldon and Commissioners Park, Loyd, Reusch and Zook.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held April 6, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Recommended Acoustical Study - Municipal Auditorium

The City Commission received a recommendation from the Auditorium Advisory Committee to have a study of the acoustics for the auditorium. Mr. Vince Skidmore, architect, was present to explain the need for the proposed study. Mr. Skidmore explained that when the auditorium was built there was no consideration given to acoustics. With the design for remodel of this structure now in progress, it was felt by Mr. Skidmore and the committee that a study of the acoustics is necessary to provide for proper sound acoustics for the future use of the auditorium. It was further explained by Mr. Skidmore that the firm of Coffeen, Anderson & Associates, Inc., Consultants in acoustics, have proposed to make the study and oversee the planning and testing of the acoustics on a per diem basis, the total cost not to exceed \$8,000. Mr. Skidmore stated that by having the acoustical study made at this time it could reduce the remodel cost in other areas, thereby helping to pay for the cost of the study.

Commissioner Zook made a motion that the Commission approve the acoustical study and to authorize the Mayor to sign the acoustical study agreement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Reusch and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Statement of Outgoing Commissioners

The agenda being concluded and no old business coming forward, Mayor Sheldon proceeded to make a statement concerning his four year tenure on the City Commission. Mayor Sheldon stated that the past four years had been a very busy four years for the Governing Body and that he only wished that the City Commission had been in a position to make a decision and commitment concerning the future of the power plant in Ottawa. Mr. Sheldon outlined the various alternatives that could be taken concerning the power plant but that even with the many hours of study spent on this question that the situation changed so rapidly that a decision was not possible and he wished the new Commission well in arriving at a conclusion on this subject in the future.

Commissioner Loyd made a statement concerning three items he would like to see come to pass in the future. First, he said he would like to see the people of Ottawa given the choice of various types of pavement for the various types of streets, depending upon the traffic volume of certain areas. At present, the only type of paving used in the City of Ottawa is 6" reinforced concrete which is quite expensive as opposed to offering an alternative to less expensive types of pavement, such as various thicknesses of asphaltic concrete. Second, Commissioner Loyd said he would like to see the city services, such as gas, water and sewer extended to areas in the south and east parts of Ottawa. These areas have been annexed in the past few years with no consideration given to providing the proper services to them and third, Commissioner Loyd said he would like consideration be given to bicycle traffic in the city as more and more people are turning to bicycles for transportation and recreation.

Presentation to Mayor Sheldon

Mayor Sheldon and Commissioner Loyd excused themselves from the Commission table and stepped down for the new Commissioners to be sworn in. Mayor Sheldon, prior to stepping down, asked Mayor Pro-Tem Reusch to chair the meeting until the new Commission was sworn in and the new Mayor selected.

Mayor Pro-Tem Reusch then presented Mayor Sheldon with the gavel and sound block he had used during his tenure as Mayor as a memento to his serving as Mayor of Ottawa.

Swearing in of New Commissioners

Mr. Paul Gaynor, Mrs. Dorothy Nichols and Mr. Fred Zook were then sworn in as City Commissioners by the City Clerk. Mr. Gaynor and Mrs. Nichols were elected to serve a 4-year term and Mr. Zook was elected to serve a 2-year term.

Selection of Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem

Upon resuming the meeting, Mayor Pro-Tem Reusch asked for nominations for Mayor. Commissioner Gaynor nominated Commissioner Reusch, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Reusch then called for nominations of Mayor Pro-Tem. Commissioner Nichols nominated Commissioner Zook, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Reusch stated that she considered it a great honor to be chosen as Mayor of Ottawa and that she would perform the duties of Mayor to the very best of her ability during the ensuing year. Commissioner Zook extended a thank you to John Sheldon and Allen Loyd for their service as City Commissioners. Commissioner Park also extended a thank you to Mr. Loyd and Mr. Sheldon. Commissioners Nichols and Gaynor stated that they realized what a tremendous job was ahead of them as Commissioners and that they would do their very best to serve the people of Ottawa.

It was brought out at this point that Mrs. Reusch is the first lady Mayor of Ottawa.

Proclamation - Youth Temperance Education Week

With the approval of the City Commission, Mayor Reusch signed a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 24 - April 30, 1977 as Youth Temperance Education Week. This was done at the request of Mrs. Mary Black and Mr. Rodney McFadden.

Mr. W. C. Goodman

Mr. W. C. Goodman appeared before the Commission extending a thank you for having a situation concerning drainage on his property cleaned up and straightened out.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


City Clerk

City Hall - May 4, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park, Nichols, Gaynor and Zook.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held April 20, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Designation of the Official Newspaper

The Ottawa Herald was designated the official newspaper for the City of Ottawa for the ensuing year. It was discussed that the Ottawa Herald, having a circulation approximately 7000 papers, was the only publication which had requested to be so designated. A motion was made by Commissioner Zook so designating the Ottawa Herald as the official City newspaper, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Acceptance of Ownership of a Tract of Land

It was reported that the Kansas Department of Transportation has offered to give to the City of Ottawa a tract of land consisting of approximately 37 acres located between the Missouri Pacific Railroad and the Marais des Cygnes River in the vicinity of Hope Cemetery. This land has been acquired by the Department of Transportation for borrow purposes during the construction of Highway K-68. Inasmuch as the City of Ottawa possesses the only access to this land and it is no longer needed by the Department of Transportation, the Department of Transportation desires to give it to the City. It was explained that this land could be very valuable to the City for borrow purposes and inasmuch as the City possesses the only access to the land that the City should accept it. A motion was made by Commissioner Gaynor that the City accept ownership of this land from the State of Kansas. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Receive Claims for Damages

The City Commission considered claims for damages due to rusty water entering a laundromat during the flushing of water mains. Damages for damaged clothing and linens as a result of the flushing were submitted by Mr. A. L. Brandt, Director of Franklin County Ambulance Service - \$58.16; Randy L. Hinderliter of the Franklin County Ambulance Service - \$60.75, Mrs. Nancy Lillie - \$62.30 and cleaning costs for the laundromat in the amount of \$134.82.

The City Manager reported that prior advice of the City Attorney had indicated that the City should not honor such claims. To honor such claims would be admitting negligence on the part of the City and the fact remains that the City must periodically flush water mains to enable us to deliver palatable water to the City. Mr. Park made a motion that based upon the reported opinion of the City Attorney, the claims be denied. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Contract for Consulting Services

The City Manager recommended to the City Commission that the City of Ottawa enter into contract with Stern Brothers & Company for financial consulting services regarding the issuance of \$5,000,000 in water revenue bonds. Mr. Mills explained that the City normally does its own bond work for general improvements but that the size of this revenue issue is possibly beyond the capability of the city staff. It was further explained by the City Manager that if the city had an open bid for these bonds, the fee to Stern Brothers would be \$18,000. However, should a private sale be negotiated, the fee would be \$2,500. A motion was made by Mr. Park that the City enter into

said contract and to authorize the Mayor to sign said contract. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Request of Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee

Mr. Walt Butler, representing the Convention and Tourism Committee of the Greater Ottawa Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the City Commission and requested that the City purchase five new welcome to Ottawa signs, the signs to be placed at each of the main entrances to the City. The cost of the signs would be \$150 to \$170 each, depending upon the type of sign. Mr. Butler explained that the signs would be painted on aluminum in colors characteristic of the Victorian era. The City Commission questioned the responsibility of the City to provide these signs and possibly having to maintain them. It was discussed that possibly some of the civic organizations could assist in the purchase of these signs; however, it was also brought out that if the civic organizations did participate that they would possibly want their names attached which could result in clutter of the sign. Mr. Butler further stated that he would like to see the City budget to purchase these signs in the 1978 budget. Mr. Park commented that he thought the design and color of the signs should be referred to the Community Design Committee. This item was taken under advisement by the City Commission.

Recommendations of the Planning Commission

The City Planning Commission held its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., May 3, 1977. The Planning Commission unanimously recommended the vacation of Peterson Drive from the northeast corner of Lot 21 and northwest corner of Lot 60, replat of Highland Heights, southwest to the east line of Cedar Street, subject to the city acquiring drainage easements as set forth by the City Engineer. This request is as petitioned by J. Mark Armstrong and William A. Lynch.

The Planning Commission unanimously recommended the acceptance of the plat of Atchison's Subdivision, subject to the plat being completed to indicate existing utility lines and reports from the Utility Department of the serviceability of this area.

The hearings on the Oak Park Addition and the Pinehurst Estates Addition were continued until May 17, 1977.

Mr. Park made a motion to direct the City Manager to have an ordinance drawn vacating that portion of Peterson Drive as set out above. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Park made a motion to accept the recommendations of the Planning Commission concerning the plat of the Atchison Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Proclamation - Multiple Sclerosis Week

The week of May 9 was proclaimed Multiple Sclerosis Week by Mayor Reusch.

Proclamation - Historic Preservation Week

A proclamation proclaiming the week of May 8 through 14, 1977 was signed by Mayor Reusch.

Request of Graydon Watkins

Mr. Graydon Watkins appeared before the City Commission requesting that something be done about the overall littering problem within the city. Mr. Watkins stated that some cities have used plain clothed police officers to apprehend persons who litter and that possibly that could be a solution for the City of Ottawa.

Comments from the City Commission gave a consensus that littering was an object of personal pride and that the only real way to stop littering is through an educational process. The City Commission sympathized with the problem but further stated that legal means to control littering is very difficult.

Mr. Watkins further commented that he was alarmed about the taxes going too high in the city, coupled with the reportedly large amount of surplus funds the City has on hand and the fact that the city is heavily in debt. It was explained to Mr. Watkins that the taxes that are paid by the citizens of Ottawa is an amount necessary to maintain city operations, that the surplus funds are actually idle funds which are invested and included within our budget of expenditures for 1977. The debt is that which is allowable by law and very necessary for street, sewer and other improvements.

Mr. Watkins then questioned a statement in the 1965 audit of the city records which indicated to Mr. Watkins that the records of the city were in such a state that they could not adequately be audited. It was explained to Mr. Watkins that this was a qualifying audit statement to the effect that it is impossible for an auditing firm to audit each and every purchase and revenue transaction of the city and that this statement will appear in the audits of approximately 95% of the cities in the State of Kansas.

Request of Library Board

Mr. Jerry Thompson, representing the Ottawa Library board, presented the Commission with the results of a feasibility study concerning improved library facilities. As a result of the analysis of the library needs, the library board requested the city to act on a two mill building fund levy for purposes of constructing a new library. It was reported that after the levy becomes effective that the city could sell general obligation bonds to be retired by the building fund levy. Mr. Thompson said that the two mill levy for 10 years probably would not finance a new library totally but that alternate ways to finance the remainder could come from revenue sharing, donations or an additional bond issue. It was further stated by Mr. Thompson that the library board voted in favor of a new library on a new site as opposed to remodeling and enlarging the present structure, a site selection could be made while the necessary arrangements for financing are taking place. Further recommendation was that a new library be constructed within the next 5 years.

Mayor Reusch stated that though she appreciated and sympathized with the needs of the library that the construction of a library on the outlined timetable did not coincide with the capital improvement portion of the 701 plan. Mayor Reusch quoted the 701 plan as stating site selection for a new library to take place between 1980 and 1985 with the construction of a new library to be between 1985 and 1990. It was brought out by the City Commission that the city does not have latitude within its bond debt limit to issue bonds either at the present time or in the near future for this purpose. Mr. Thompson suggested that possibly the city should take another look at the priorities as set forth in the 701 plan.

Mr. Don Campbell, library board member, stated that the decision to request funding for a new library was not a unanimous decision of the board. Mr. Campbell stated that the library was in need of additional space and that he was in favor of a two mill building fund levy for purposes of remodeling and/or enlarging the present structure.

Contract for Financial Consulting Services

A contract for financial consulting services for the issuance of \$5,000,000 in water revenue bonds was presented to the City Commission. A motion for approval of the contracts and to authorize the Mayor to sign said contracts was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting, with the exception of the approval of contracts for financial assistance for water revenue bonds, is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


City Clerk

City Hall May 18, 1977

The City Commission met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date. Present: Mayor Viola Reusch, and Commissioners Nichols, Gaynor, Zook and Park. Absent: None.

Approval of Minutes

A repetition having been found in the minutes of the previous meeting it was ordered that the last paragraph on page 25 of said minutes should be deleted and the minutes were approved as amended.

Appointments

The Governing Body made the following appointments to the various boards and commissions of the city as follows:

Library Board: Reappointed Thelma Lewis and Bob Pence.
Planning Commission: Reappointed Alice Kaiser, appointed Laura Germer and Reverend Don Powell.
Board of Zoning Appeals: Reappointed Gary Jordan.
Examiners of Plumbers: Appointed Wilfred Bugner, Bill DeWald and William Hazen.
Recreation Commission: Appointed Martin Owens

Mayor Reusch thanked all those who had served on these various committees for their efforts expressing her appreciation for their acceptance and labor. Commissioners Zook and Park also expressed their thanks to the people who had served. Mayor Reusch then thanked those who had accepted appointments to the various boards and also others who had expressed their willingness to serve.

Recreation Commission - Lease agreements on Swimming Pool & Tennis Courts

Fees set for the swimming pool for the 1977 season were as follows: 18 years and under; season tickets \$15, individuals 50¢; over 18 years, season tickets \$17, individuals 75¢. Family tickets \$45, which includes all members of the immediate family for the entire season. Commissioner Zook moved that the fee structure be accepted and stated he was pleased the price was being held at an affordable rate. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion, all present voted favorable and the motion carried. Commissioner Zook then moved that the Commission sign the three agreements concerning the tennis courts, baseball facilities and the swimming pool. Commissioner Park seconded. All present voted favorable and the motion carried. Commissioner Park remarked that the Recreation Commission was doing an excellent job and was to be commended. Steve Queen responded by stating that we have fine facilities and a good working relationship between the Commission and the City. He expressed his hope that everyone would take advantage of the facilities.

Convention & Tourism Committee request for signs

A request of the Convention & Tourism Committee of the Greater Ottawa Chamber of Commerce for welcome signs to be located at the entrances to the city was brought forward. Mayor Reusch stated that the cost of these signs was to be between \$750 and \$850. Commissioner Gaynor moved that the Commission grant this amount, with the provision that the design should be submitted to review of the design committee and the City Commission for approval. Commissioner Nichols seconded the motion. The motion was amended to read "provide six signs on a pro rated basis". All present voted in favor of the motion as amended with the exception of Commissioner Park who voted in opposition. Motion carried.

Claim for damages - Mr. J. W. England

Upon recommendation of the City Attorney, Mayor Reusch stated that this would be referred to the liability insurance company for their decision.

Bond Sale - Auditorium

Mayor Reusch announced that a bond sale will take place at City Hall on May 26, at 3 p.m., for the rehabilitation of the auditorium.

George Marstall - Intangible tax

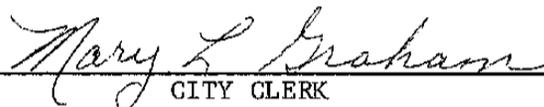
George Marstall, 815 E. 16th Terrace, appeared before the City Commission requesting them to work with the County Commission and Township officers to eliminate the "intangible tax" on interest income. Mayor Reusch thanked Mr. Marstall for his commendable presentation and stated however that she did not agree with him on this matter. Commissioner Zook commented he also did not agree but hoped there

could be a public forum so this issue could be discussed fully. Mayor Reusch thanked Mr. Marstall again and said the matter would be given due consideration.

Historic Preservation - Ben Park

Commissioner Park stated that he would like for the Commission to consider submitting recommendations to the Planning Commission as follows: That they review the Historic Preservation Ordinance and make recommendations regarding same to the City Commission. Review the recommended procedures for giving reconsideration, on a regular basis, to the public improvement budget to establish if new priorities need to be made. City Manager Mills made the suggestion that another draft of the ordinance be typed for submission to the Planning Commission so they might have both copies to compare. Mayor Reusch recommended this be done.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from this date.


CITY CLERK

City Hall - June 1, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park, Nichols and Gaynor.
Absent: Commissioner Zook.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held May 18, 1977 were amended as follows: On page 27 under the heading of appointments, it should be indicated that the Chairman of the Planning Commission is appointed as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals. On page 28 under the heading Historic Preservation, the first paragraph should be clarified to indicate that the Planning Commission is to review the draft of the Historic Preservation Ordinance and to review for possible update the capital improvement plan. With the foregoing amendments the minutes were approved.

Award Purchase of General Obligation Bonds - Municipal Auditorium

It was announced that bids for the sale of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$600,000 for the purpose of improving the Municipal Auditorium were received May 26, 1977. Bids received were as follows: Stern Brothers & Company, Kansas City, Mo., net interest cost \$160,125.00 with an average interest rate of 4.575%; United Missouri Bank, Kansas City, Mo., net interest cost \$160,229.60 with an average interest rate of 4.57798%; Commerce Bank, Kansas City, Mo., net interest cost \$160,296.00 with an average interest rate of 4.5798%; Geo. K. Baum & Co., Kansas City, Mo., net interest cost \$163,195.00 with an average interest rate of 4.6627%; and Kansas State Bank, Ottawa, Kansas, net interest cost \$164,472.00 with an average interest rate of 4.6992%. The bid of Stern Brothers & Co. was accepted on the basis that it was the lowest and best bid. A motion to award the purchase of bonds to Stern Brothers & Co. was made by Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Purchase of Land - Water Treatment Facility

It was announced by Mayor Reusch that the city had negotiated for the purchase of 24.35 acres of land located just south of 2nd Street and just west of the dike for the purpose of constructing settling basins for the new water treating facility. The negotiated price is \$1,200 per acre for a total of \$29,220. It was explained that by constructing settling basins for the new water treating facility that it will make the overall cost of treating water less expensive. Commissioner Nichols made a motion that the city enter into a contract to purchase this tract of land and to authorize the Mayor to sign said contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

It was pointed out that the contract calls for a payment of \$20.00 upon the signing of the contract and the payment of the balance of \$29,200.00 upon delivery of a warranty deed and merchantable title to the land.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - June 15, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook, Park, Nichols and Gaynor.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held June 1, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Ordinance #2554 - Auditorium Improvement Bonds

An ordinance authorizing the issuance of auditorium improvements bonds in the amount of \$600,000 for an average annual interest rate of 4.575% was passed. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Planning Commission

A report of the regular meeting of the City Planning Commission which was held June 7, 1977 is as follows:

"The City Planning Commission met in regular session June 7, 1977.

The first item of business was the consideration of the final plat of Oak Park Addition. The final plat of the Oak Park Addition was approved, subject to the indicating of a 75' easement each side of a high pressure pipeline which runs through this area. The Planning Commission recommends acceptance of this plat by the City Commission subject to the above condition.

The Planning Commission denied the revised plat of Pinehurst Estates. It was directed that a letter noting the deficiencies of the plat be sent to the developer.

In other business, the Planning Commission reviewed two additional plats that are to be filed by developers, discussed updating the capital improvement plan and discussed review of a historic preservation ordinance.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned."

Approval of the Plat of the Oak Park Addition

As per the recommendations of the Planning Commission, the City Governing Body considered the acceptance of the plat of the Oak Park Addition. Upon being assured that the conditions of the Planning Commission for the acceptance of this plat had been met, a motion was made by Commissioner Park to accept and approve this plat. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Request of the Ottawa Retail Association

Mr. Wayne Baylor, representing the Ottawa Retail Association, asked permission of the Governing Body to hold the annual sidewalk bazaar on the streets and sidewalks of the downtown area on July 27. It was explained by Mr. Baylor that the Retail Association is requesting Main Street be barricaded to all traffic from 8:30 a.m. til 8:30 p.m., that all parking in the downtown area be free from time limitation enforcement and that the merchants be allowed to sell their merchandise from the sidewalks and streets, along with having concessions set up in the streets.

The City Commission questioned the authority of the city to grant this request as it entails the blocking of traffic from a State highway. It was explained, however, that the State would probably grant permission for this closure if provisions were made for rerouting traffic. Commissioner Zook made a motion to approve the request subject to the granting of permission by the Kansas Department of Transportation for the closure and the rerouting of traffic. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and

all present voted in favor of the motion.

Request of the Ottawa Jaycees

Mr. Charlie Knight, representing the Ottawa Jaycees, requested permission to hold the annual Chatauqua Days celebration on July 4 in Forest Park and to post the Chatauqua Days signs in downtown Ottawa. Mr. Knight explained that the celebration this year would be limited to one day, to run from 12:00 noon to 12:00 midnight on July 4. Mr. Knight stated that other organizations are being asked to participate by setting up concessions and food type booths in Forest Park. It was further stated that hopefully traffic into Forest Park will be restricted with cars to be parked on Santa Fe Railroad property across the street from the park. Commissioner Gaynor made a motion to approve the request, the motion was seconded by Commission Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

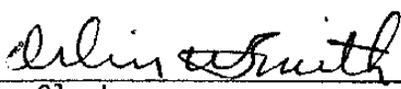
Request - Franklin County Agricultural Society

Mr. Charles Gillette appeared before the City Commission requesting permission for the Franklin County Agricultural Society (Fair Board) to hold a parade in downtown Ottawa at 5:30 p.m. on July 27. It was recognized at this point that this was the same time frame for which permission had been granted to the Ottawa Retail Association for the sidewalk bazaar. Conversations between Mr. Gillette and Mr. Baylor at this point indicated, however, that the two organizations would cooperate to serve the requests of both. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to grant the request of Mr. Gillette provided that the necessary details be worked out with the Ottawa Retail Association. Mr. Gaynor seconded the motion and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Request of Mr. Joel Nordeen

Mr. Joel Nordeen appeared before the City Governing Body reporting that vandalism is increasing in the downtown area, resulting in broken windows, slashed and burnt awnings and broken beer bottles. Mr. Nordeen requested that the city review curfew laws pertaining to juveniles and that necessary steps be taken to curtail this vandalism. The City Commission informed Mr. Nordeen that they would look into the overall situation and hopefully take appropriate steps to correct it.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of this meeting.



City Clerk

CITY HALL JULY 6, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session this date. Present: Mayor Reusch, Commissioners Park and Nichols. Absent: Commissioners Gaynor and Zook.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the last regular meeting of June 15, 1977 were approved as written.

REPORT OF PLANNING COMMISSION

City Manager Mills reported that the Planning Commission had a very busy meeting and considered three preliminary plats that were up for their consideration.

(1) The Pinehurst Addition located on W. 15th St., which is not within the corporate limits of the city at this time. The Planning Commission has accepted the preliminary plat, instructed the developers to file the final plat, and voted that it should be annexed.

(2) Southview Addition which will be located between Seventeenth and Nineteenth Streets and will be an extension of Ash Street also received approval of the preliminary plat. Southview will require a change in zoning and this will be taken up at their regular meeting.

(3) Kinsley Addition which is an area of property located immediately east of the High School received approval of the preliminary plat.

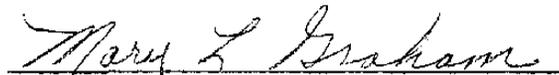
CLAIM FOR DAMAGES - NELSON MCALEXANDER

Mr. McAlexander's claim was for damages to his automobile from hitting a bump or dip in E. 8th Street. His claim was in the amount of \$47.50. Mayor Reusch stated that the Commission had received a report from the Department of Public Safety, and a letter from the City Attorney recommending denial of this claim. Commissioner Park remarked that this is an intersection with no stops and also that these are natural dips for drainage and runoff and have always been there. He indicated he could see no evidence of neglect on the part of the City. Commissioner Park moved that the City deny this claim, Commissioner Nichols seconded and all present voted in favor of the motion. The claim was denied.

LICENSE - CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE

An application for a license to retail cereal malt beverages was submitted by Ray A. Wards to operate the Blue Sky Tavern at 1602 S. Main. Commissioner Nichols moved that if all legalities have been taken care of that this license be granted. Commissioner Park seconded. Commissioners Park and Nichols voted in favor and Mayor Reusch opposed. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


Mary L. Graham

City Hall - July 20, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook, Park, Nichols and Gaynor.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held July 6, 1977 were corrected as follows: Item No. 2 under "Report of Planning Commission" was corrected to indicate that the street running through Southview Addition will be an extension of Ash Street. With the foregoing correction, the minutes were approved.

Request of Ottawa Swim Club

Mrs. Beverly Wright, representing the Ottawa Swim Club, asked the City Governing Body for permission for a swim meet at Forest Park Swimming Pool on July 15 and 16, 1978. Mrs. Wright explained that this would necessitate the closing of the pool to the public for two days but that there should be well over 300 swimmers here for the meet. Mrs. Wright indicated that the people attending would be staying in motels as well as camping and that Ottawa merchants would benefit by the meet.

The City Commission discussed that camping would have to be restricted to certain areas in the park and that camping vehicles and cars could not be parked around the swimming pool. It was further discussed that permanent guidelines should be drawn up concerning camping for special events in Forest Park.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nichols that the city cooperate with the Swim Club. On the proposed Swim Meet, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Compliment to Ottawa Jaycees

Mayor Reusch commended the Ottawa Jaycees on the recent Chautauqua Days celebration. Mrs. Reusch stated that it was well organized and enjoyed by everyone.

Public Hearings - Special Assessments

Ordinance No. 2555

Beech Street, 4th to 5th, Benefit District Cost - \$32,078.79. There was no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mr. Zook to pass an ordinance assessing special assessments in the amount of \$32,078.79 to the properties in the benefit district. The motion was seconded by Mr. Park and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2556

Elm Street, 10th to 11th, Benefit District Cost - \$30,078.79. There were no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mr. Zook to pass an ordinance assessing special assessments in the amount of \$30,078.79 to the properties in the benefit district. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2557

Powhattan Street, Sycamore to Cherry, Benefit District Cost - \$14,924.33. There were no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mr. Park to assess the properties in the benefit district in the amount of \$14,924.33 for this improvement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zook and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2558

Hemlock Street, Powhattan to Fairway Drive, Benefit District Cost - \$37,818.91. There were no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mrs. Nichols to assess the properties in the benefit district in the amount of \$37,818.91 for this improvement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaynor and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2559

Hemlock Street, Fairway Drive to Blackhawk, Benefit District Cost - \$21,765.88. There were no comments on this project. Mr. Park made a motion that the benefit district be assessed \$21,765.88 for this improvement. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2560

Fairway Drive, from Spruce east to point of termination, Benefit District Cost - \$24,703.21. There were no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mr. Gaynor that the benefit district be assessed \$24,703.21 for this project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Park and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2561

Olive Street, 7th to 8th, Benefit District Cost - \$27,357.83. There were no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mr. Park to assess the properties in the benefit district in the amount of \$27,357.83 for this project. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2562

Willow Street, 9th to 15th, Benefit District Cost - \$166,948.97. Mr. Burt Brewer asked if this cost did not exceed the original estimated probable cost. It was answered that this cost did exceed the estimated probable cost of the original attempt to improve this street but it did not exceed the estimated cost as stated in resolution calling for public hearings and ordering the improvement. Another question asked the cost per front foot. The answer was \$22.3979836 per front foot. There were no further comments or questions. A motion was made by Mrs. Nichols to assess the benefit district the amount of \$166,948.97 for this improvement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Park and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2563

Eleventh Street, Willow to Elm, Benefit District Cost - \$26,477.80. There were no comments on this project. A motion was made by Mr. Zook to assess the properties in the benefit district in the amount of \$26,477.80 for this improvement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Park and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2564

Elm Street, Eleventh Street to a point 345' south, Benefit District Cost - \$15,348.27. There were no comments on this project. Mr. Park made a motion that the properties in the benefit district be assessed a total of \$15,348.27 for this project. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance No. 2565

Fourteenth Street, Willow to Ash, Benefit District Cost - \$12,492.64. Mr. Burt Brewer objected that his special assessment was among the highest in the district and that his property was among those most distant from the street. It was pointed out that his ownership was one of the largest, if not the largest, in the district. Mr. Brewer stated, however, that he did not feel that the assessment was fair and possibly there was an arithmetic error. The City Commission decided to pass the necessary ordinance and if it was discovered there was an error to rescind the ordinance. A motion was made by Mr. Gaynor to pass an ordinance assessing the properties in the benefit district an amount of \$12,492.64 for this project. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

City Clerk's comment -- The 14th Street paving assessments were rechecked and no error was found. Mr. Brewer was informed of this following the City Commission meeting.

Payment of Special Assessments

A motion was made by Mr. Zook that the property owners in all foregoing improvement districts be given until August 22, 1977 to pay assessments in full without additional interest charges. After August 22, 1977 bond sale proceedings will be started and no payments will be accepted until the completion of the sale of bonds. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

Traffic Problems - Willow Street

Mr. Charles Burlingham asked that truck traffic and parking be prohibited on Willow Street, that since the paving of this street these two items have become a problem. After discussion, the City Manager was directed to have these items looked into.

Mr. Bill Rice directed comments to traffic problems resulting from parking on Willow Street, tricycles and wagons on Willow Street and bicycles on streets during the nighttime without reflectors and lights. The City Commission also directed these problems be looked into.

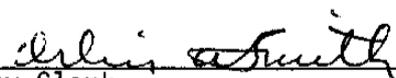
Question on Zoning

Mrs. Beatrice Stewart, 721 Olive, asked if property zoned for business paid the same equivalent assessments for street improvements. The answer was yes and that the property in question was not zoned for business but a non-conforming use.

4th of July Celebration - Forest Park

Mr. Bill Rice commented that there is not enough parking spaces in and around Forest Park to accommodate the 4th of July celebration and recommended that parking on the grass be allowed. The City Commission stated that parking has been permitted by the Santa Fe Railroad across the street from Forest Park and that some people had walked from Main Street with no objection.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on file in the office of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - August 3, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park, Nichols, Gaynor and Zook.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held July 20, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Public Hearing - Revenue Sharing

As stated by the Mayor, in compliance with State law, a public hearing to entertain suggestions for the use of revenue sharing funds was opened. No one present had any comments pertaining to the use of these monies whereby the public hearing was concluded.

Ordinance #2566 - Adoption of Building Code

An ordinance adopting by reference the uniform building code, 1976 edition, under the authority of K.S.A. 12-3010 and providing for deletions, amendments and corrections to said uniform building code was introduced. It was explained by the City Manager that the building code now in use in Ottawa is of the 1964 edition and that many changes in building procedures have come about in the past 11 years. The code as introduced does contain amendments and changes to this published code as they might pertain to this area and geographic location. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Resolution #164 - Building Permit Fees

A resolution establishing fees for the issuance of building permits in the City of Ottawa, Kansas as provided in Ordinance #2566 was introduced. It was explained by the City Manager that the building permit fees in the City of Ottawa have not been revised for many years and that the fees proposed are in line with building permit fees of other municipalities in the area. These fees virtually result in doubling the present fee charged but they still remain at a nominal cost. A motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report from Planning Commission

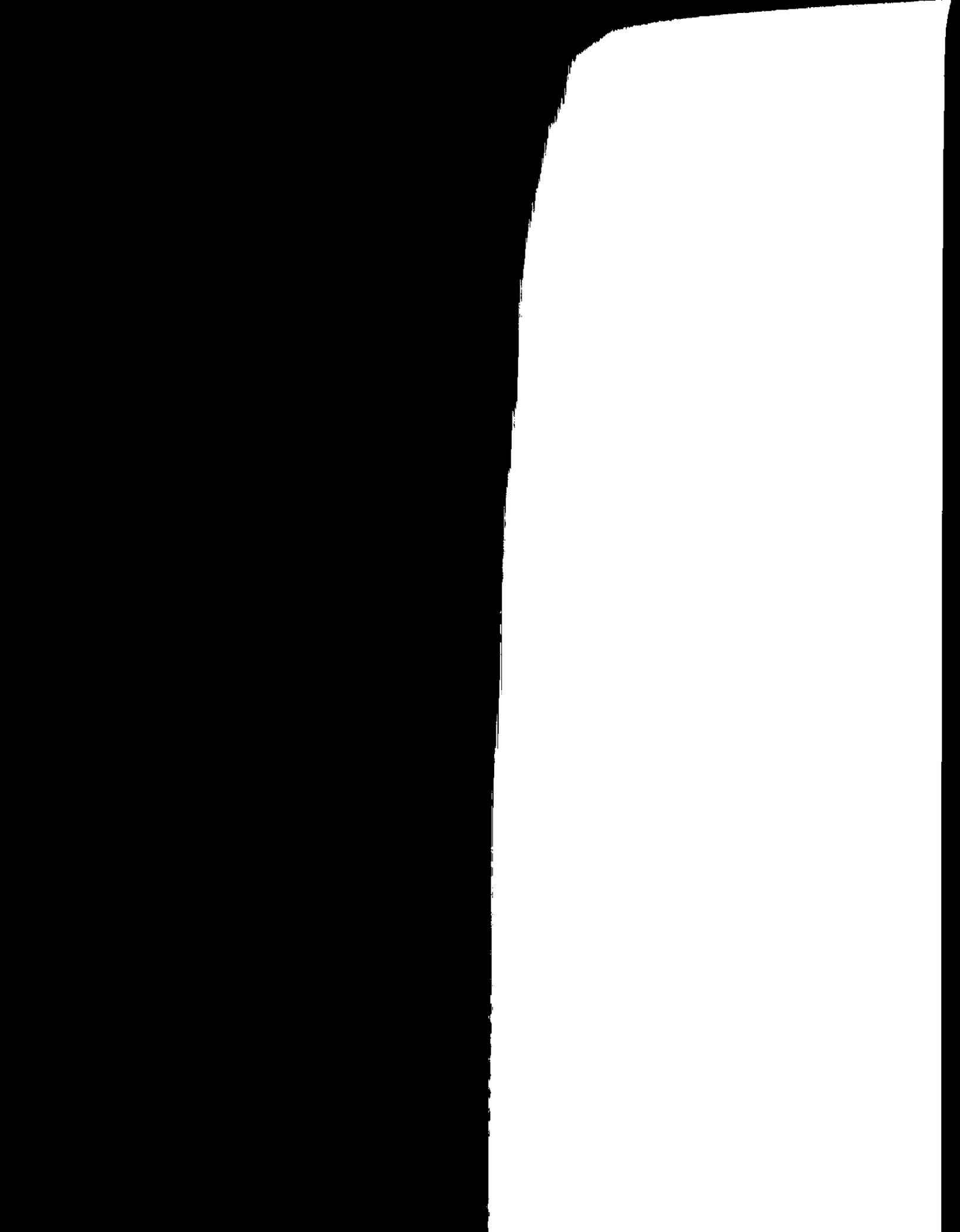
A report of recommendations and actions of the Planning Commission was given as follows:

"The City Planning Commission held its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., August 2, 1977. Following are the recommendations and actions of the Planning Commission at this meeting:

The Planning Commission unanimously recommended the final plat of the Pinehurst Estates Addition be accepted.

The Planning Commission unanimously recommended that the tract of ground to be known as the Southview Addition be rezoned from R-S (Residential Suburban) to R (Single Family), and a special meeting date was established for 8:00 a.m., August 5, 1977 to consider the final plat of the Southview Addition.

The Planning Commission recommended to Mr. Chet Leach that he appear before the Board of Zoning Appeals to secure a special use permit to allow a fence in excess of 6' in height to be constructed in an industrial zoned district.



Mr. Jim Cook appeared before the Planning Commission requesting property now in industrial zoning to be rezoned to residential zoning. The Planning Commission advised Mr. Cook to file a petition with the City Clerk for this change in zoning and they would consider the petition at a future date."

It was explained by the Governing Body that the final plat of the Pinehurst Estates Addition could be approved at this meeting but a motion of Commissioner Park to accept the final plat was later withdrawn because an ordinance for annexation of this area was not prepared for action of the City Commission at this time. The City Commission deferred action on the rezoning on the Southview Addition until their next regular meeting in compliance with State zoning law. Other items reported by the Planning Commission did not require action or consideration of the City Commission.

Announcements

Mayor Reusch announced that the hearing on the 1978 budget for the City, along with an additional hearing on the expenditure of revenue sharing funds, will be held August 15, 1977 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Commission room.

It was also reported by Mayor Reusch that the news story in the Ottawa Herald of August 2, 1977 concerning the city's share of the proposed county-wide sales tax was wrong in that it was inflated greatly above the \$125,100 per year as per calculations. The City Manager explained that there seems to be some misunderstandings or misinformation concerning the formula for the distribution of a county-wide 1/2¢ sales tax, that according to the Kansas League of Municipalities it is spread half on a population basis and half based upon taxes levied under the tax lid in 1966.

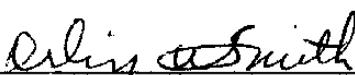
Request for Traffic Light - 9th & Main

Mrs. Coulter, residing on South Main Street, requested the City Commission to install a traffic control device at the intersection of 9th and Main Streets to aid pedestrians attempting to cross Main Street and hopefully to slow the overall speed of traffic in this area. It was explained to Mrs. Coulter that the city has made various requests to the Department of Transportation for permission to install a traffic control device at this intersection. The results have always been such that the overall traffic pattern of this intersection does not warrant the installation of an automatic traffic control device. It was further explained that the Department of Transportation is primarily concerned with the movement of vehicular traffic and not with pedestrian traffic.

Mrs. Coulter stated that at times a person must wait as long as 15 minutes for a break in the flow of traffic sufficient to walk across Main Street and further, that during nighttime hours this area of Main Street is used as a speedway by some persons. Mrs. Coulter mentioned the possibility of having a petition signed, requesting traffic control at this corner. The City Commission, however, recommended that Mrs. Coulter circulate the petition mentioned and send it to the Department of Transportation in Topeka. Mrs. Coulter indicated that she would do so and the City Commission directed the city staff to prepare the petition.

Mrs. Coulter then registered a complaint concerning weeds surrounding an empty house in the vicinity of 817 E. 7th, whereby the City Commission directed that this situation be surveyed and corrective measures taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. This meeting is not on tape due to failure of the tape recorder.


City Clerk

City Hall - August 15, 1977

The City Governing Body met in special session at 5:00 p.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park, Gaynor, Nichols and Zook.
Absent: none.

This special meeting was called for the purpose of public hearing on the proposed 1978 budget.

Mayor Reusch opened the meeting by stating that the proposed 1978 budget is increased to \$15,069,498 as a result of the combining of the capital improvements budget with the operating budget. This compares with the adopted operating budget for 1977 in the amount of \$7,268,694. Mayor Reusch introduced charts indicating the various items of revenues for the General Fund as well as expenditures from the General Fund by department and by category.

The question was asked, why does the city pay a rental fee on fire hydrants. It was explained that the water utility owns the fire hydrants and the fact that the General Fund does rent the fire hydrants from the water utility is really a bookkeeping exercise in keeping with good accounting practice representing actual items of revenue and expense in the water utility.

A question asked concerning the Municipal Auditorium emphasized the desire to see periodic reports on the utilization of the auditorium. It was felt that such a report would indicate whether the current refurbishing of this building was justified. The City Commission stated that they would require such a usage report be made periodically by the person who is hired to manage the auditorium.

The City Commission asked many questions of the Library Board, some of which were present, concerning their proposed 1978 budget. The first question being, where the \$30,000 for expenditures beyond the library tax levy were to be financed from. It was answered that this extra \$30,000 was anticipated from endowments, taxes from sources from outside the city of Ottawa and requests for revenue sharing funds. It was then pointed out by the City Commission that the first allocation of revenue sharing funds from the city was to replace the heating system in the library but that these funds had been spent in an operational nature. It was explained by the Library Board that it was necessary to use these funds for books and other materials in an effort for survival. The Library Board further explained that they had requested revenue sharing funds from the Franklin County Commission and had been denied. The City Commission emphasized the fact that possibly they should go back to the Board of County Commissioners and again that they request revenue sharing funds.

The question was asked why the city supports the library alone. It was reported that under Kansas Statutes the city must support the library.

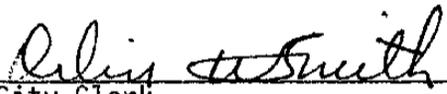
Question - why does the city have a levy for noxious weeds as well as the county having a levy for noxious weeds. It was explained that the city is in the process of enacting an ordinance on weed eradication. It was further explained that the city must maintain the entire levy system free of weeds and that these funds are used mostly for that purpose.

Martin Owens, representing the Ottawa Recreation Commission, requested revenue sharing funds in the amount of \$5,525 for improvements and repairs for the Forest Park swimming pool, the baseball facilities, a scoreboard at Cox Field and a bangboard. It was stated by the Commission that the swimming pool repairs had been taken care of by the city and that possibly the request should be resubmitted at the next City Commission meeting.

The Franklin County Historical Society submitted a verbal request for from \$3,000 to \$5,000 to repair the roof over the veranda around the museum. It was further explained that the entire roof of the museum building is in need

of repair but that a campaign for contributions will be started in the near future to affect the repairs on the roof over the museum proper. The City Commission requested that this request for funds be submitted in written form at such time as a firm figure can be arrived at.

The City Commission took no action on the proposed 1978 budget at this time but stated that final action will be taken at their regular meeting of August 17, 1977. The meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - August 17, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Pro-tem Zook and Commissioners Park, Nichols and Gaynor.
Absent: Mayor Reusch.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held August 3, 1977 and of the special meeting which was held August 15, 1977 were approved as written subject to possible corrections in the minutes for the special meeting which was held August 15, 1977.

Ordinance # 2569 - Appropriations

An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$15,069,498 for expenditures in the 1978 budget year of the City of Ottawa was taken under consideration. A motion for passage of said ordinance and to adopt the revenue sharing budget as proposed in the 1978 budget documents was made by Commissioner Park. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Contract Recommendations - Municipal Auditorium

Upon the written recommendation of Skidmore & Devore, architects, the City Commission accepted the bids of Chamberlain Waterproofing Company, Inc., for \$31,038 for masonry work on the auditorium and the bid of Besel Roofing and Heating in the amount of \$27,995 for roof repairs on the auditorium. The bid of Hawkins and O'Hara in the amount of \$13,744.47 for demolition work on the auditorium was rejected as per the recommendation of the architect. A motion was made by Commissioner Nichols to accept the bid of Chamberlain Waterproofing and Besel Roofing and to reject the bid of Hawkins and O'Hara, and to authorize the Mayor Pro-tem to execute the necessary contract documents. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Recommendation of Engineer - Sewage Disposal Plant

Upon the recommendations of the engineering firm of VanDoren-Hazard-Stallings-Schnacke, a contract was awarded to WEA Constructors for modifications to the sewage disposal plant in the amount of \$147,290. The engineers recommended that the contract be awarded to WEA Constructors subject to the authorization and acceptance by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Environmental Protection Agency. Commissioner Gaynor made a motion that the contract for the sewage disposal plant improvements be awarded to WEA Constructors subject to the acceptance by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Environmental Protection Agency. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Ordinance - Weed Control

An ordinance providing for abatement of weeds and providing for assessment of costs for cutting weeds on private property was introduced. The City Commission indicated that they did not feel that they had had ample time to study this ordinance and thereby tabled any action on said ordinance until the next regular meeting of this body.

Discussion - Continuance of Radio Broadcasts

Mr. Rick Shaffer, owner and manager of radio station KOFO, appeared before the Commission to discuss difficulties he was incurring in continuing to broadcast the City Commission meetings. Mr. Shaffer stated that with additional emphasis on sports broadcasting that the remote broadcast equipment owned by radio station KOFO is oftentimes out of town and not available to broadcast City Commission meetings. Mr. Shaffer further

stated that he did not feel that he was in a position to purchase additional remote broadcasting equipment at this time as it would not be utilized to the extent necessary to justify the purchase.

The City Commission questioned Mr. Shaffer concerning the commitment of the former owners of radio station KOFO to broadcast these meetings and the radio station's obligation for public service broadcasts. Mr. Shaffer stated that his radio station did fulfill their obligation for public service broadcasts without broadcasting City Commission meetings and that public service broadcasts are determined on a priority basis. He said that he really felt bad that he would not be able to continue the broadcasts but the economics were such that he could not. Both the City Commission and Mr. Shaffer left the subject in question open for further discussion at a later date. (Note: This meeting was not broadcast as a result of the remote equipment above referred to being out of town.)

Report of Planning Commission

It was reported the City Planning Commission met in special session on August 5, 1977. The purpose of this meeting was to consider the final plat of the Southview Addition. The Planning Commission unanimously approved the final plat of the Southview Addition and recommended that it be approved by the City Commission.

Ordinance No. 2567 - Annexation

An ordinance annexing a tract of land located on the south side of W. 15th Street to be known as the Pinehurst Estates Addition and annexing West 15th St. from Ash to the W. side of Pinehurst was passed. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Plat of Pinehurst Estates Addition

As recommended by the Planning Commission, the City Commission approved the final plat of the Pinehurst Estates Addition. A motion for approval of said plat was made by Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Plat of the Southview Addition

As recommended by the Planning Commission, the City Commission took action on the acceptance of the plat of the Southview Addition. Prior to action on said plat, discussions centered around availability of utilities and sanitary sewer and accessibility by police, fire and other motor vehicles. It was pointed out that the only access to the Southview Addition will be off of 19th Street which has an extremely narrow paved surface. The question was posed as to the possibility of opening 17th Street which would give access to the Southview Addition from the north. It was pointed out that it is in the long range plan to secure the necessary street dedications and to open 17th Street, hopefully to Eisenhower Road; however, the time element to achieve this is completely unknown. Mr. Gaynor suggested that a priority be given to securing the necessary right-of-way to open 17th Street at least as far west as the Southview Addition as he could foresee traffic problems on 19th Street as a result of the development of this tract. A motion was made by Commissioner Nichols that the plat of the Southview Addition be accepted as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion except Commissioner Gaynor who voted opposing the motion. Commissioner Gaynor clarified that his vote opposing the acceptance of the plat was not against the development of the area but a vote for the acquisition of right-of-way and the opening of 17th Street.

Ordinance No. 2568 - Zoning

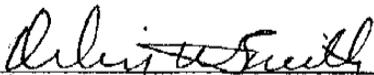
An ordinance changing the zoning of the Southview Addition from R-S (Residential Suburban) to R (Single Family) was introduced. It was explained that the reason for this change in zoning is that R-S (Residential Suburban) is intended for use where it is necessary to dispose of sewage by septic systems and oftentimes to provide water by way of water well. Inasmuch as the Southview Addition will have city water and a city sanitary sewer system the building sites do not have to be so large to accommodate septic systems and water wells. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Gaynor, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Comments of Mayor Pro-tem Zook Concerning Sales Tax

Commissioner Zook opened his statement by stating that he was speaking for the entire City Commission in support of the county sales tax referendum which will be held September 13, 1977. Commissioner Zook mentioned that all cities are in need of additional revenues to meet ever increasing operating expenses and that the CETA program and the Revenue Sharing program, though they are great financial aids to cities, could be short lived. He said that even though a 1/2¢ county-wide sales tax will not apply to the purchase of farm implements, it still remains a more viable source of revenue as it will increase as the revenues received from it will increase along with the inflationary trend. Commissioner Zook said he felt it was a relatively painless tax inasmuch as the 1/2¢ sales tax would cost only 5¢ on a \$10 purchase and many neighboring counties, including Douglas, Johnson and Shawnee, presently have a local sales tax. Commissioner Zook further reported that the number one priority should the city receive these sales tax revenues is street maintenance and rehabilitation.

Commissioner Gaynor reported that he had heard no real opposition to the adoption of a local sales tax.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of the meeting except for the last approximate 10 to 15 minutes is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - September 7, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date. Present: Mayor Reusch and Commission members Zook, Park, Nichols and Gaynor. Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held August 17, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Report of Planning Commission - Actions of City Commission - Ordinance No. 2570

It was reported that the Planning Commission gave unanimous approval to the final plat of the Kinsley Addition and recommended that the plat be approved by the City Governing Body. A motion was made by Mr. Zook to approve said plat. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

It was reported that the Planning Commission gave unanimous approval to annex a tract of land located on the south side of West 15th Street, approximately 144' west of the west line of the Willow Acres Addition, said tract being approximately 239' deep and 209' wide. A motion to pass an ordinance annexing said tract was made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

A public hearing was held by the Planning Commission upon the zoning change request of Mr. Jim Cook. Mr. Cook had requested that a tract of land, Block 1, Lots 2 & 4, Fitts Addition, be rezoned from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to MH (Mobile Home). As a result of the public hearing, the Planning Commission unanimously requests that the City Commission effect the requested zoning change. As set forth by Kansas Statutes action on this recommendation was tabled until the next regular meeting of the City Commission.

The final item on the Planning Commission agenda was to discuss the proposed Historic Preservation Ordinance. Discussion of this ordinance was postponed until a later date to allow the Planning Commission members additional time for study of the subject.

Resolution No. 165 - Affirmative Action Plan

A resolution setting forth an Affirmative Action Plan for equal employment opportunity for the City of Ottawa was discussed. In opening statements it was brought out that the city has adopted an Affirmative Action Plan but that it was found not to be acceptable by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The city, in order to receive the remaining \$210,000 from a grant which has been approved by HUD, must adopt an Affirmative Action Plan that is acceptable to them. Commissioner Zook, in commenting on the Affirmative Action Plan, questioned the constitutionality and legality of such a plan and further stated that he believed that our Senators and Representatives representing Kansas in the Congress should be made aware of the plight of the City of Ottawa in securing these funds which have already been made available to us. Mr. Zook further stated that he would abstain from voting on the adoption of this Affirmative Action Plan. Other members of the Commission echoed the same sentiments as Mr. Zook; however, did not stated that they would abstain from voting. Commissioner Gaynor made a motion to adopt said resolution, repeal Resolution No. 160 which is on the same subject, and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Commissioner Park seconded the motion stating that he was making the second under protest. Upon a call for voting on the motion on the table, Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park and Gaynor voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Nichols opposed the motion and Commissioner Zook abstained from voting.

Proclamation - Constitution Week

A proclamation was signed by Mayor Reusch proclaiming the week of

September 17 through 23, 1977 as Constitution Week in the City of Ottawa.

Report of Traffic Surveys

It was reported by Mayor Reusch that as a result of a request of Mr. Charles Burlingham that a traffic survey which ran from July 26 through August 2, 1977 on Willow Street between 7th and 15th Street had been completed. It was reported by the Department of Public Safety that of a survey of 1900 cars, that average speed on Willow Street was 28 miles an hour. It was recommended by the Department of Public Safety that the speed limit and the parking regulations now in force remain the same. The Director of Public Safety further stated that a recheck of the traffic and parking situation on Willow Street will be done again in the near future.

It was reported that a requested traffic survey by the State of Kansas, hopefully to reduce the speed limit on East Logan Street from 40 to 30 miles per hour has not been completed to date. The traffic survey requested of the State for 9th and Main has been completed but a report has not been forthcoming to date.

The City Manager reported that he had had a meeting with the Principal of Eugene Field School along with interested parents and that a request for a red flashing light at 7th and Maple to aid school children in crossing the street is under study.

Comments - County-wide Sales Tax

Mayor Reusch commented that the city had a choice on the question of a 1/2¢ sales tax. The city could have levied and imposed a city-wide 1/2¢ sales tax but that the Commission chose instead to attempt a county-wide sales tax even though the City of Ottawa would receive less revenues from the county-wide tax. By attempting the county-wide 1/2¢ sales tax the county, as well as the smaller cities in the county, would receive revenues from this source. With a city sales tax, farm implements sold within the city would have to have sales tax collected on them but farm implements sold outside of the city would be exempt this tax. Thus implement sales competition would be very difficult. The city fully intends to spend all sales tax revenues, if realized, to maintain the street and repair curbs and gutters and storm sewers. This program would take approximately ten years to complete.

Commissioner Nichols stated that she felt the 1/2¢ sales tax would be a much fairer tax than ad valorem taxes and that the \$150,000 included in the 1978 city budget for street improvements would be spent only if the tax is realized.

A question from the audience queried, "If the voters approve a 1/2¢ sales tax, how long would it be before the city and county governments would be asking for another 1/2¢ sales tax?" The Commission answered that this should not happen in the near future.

Request for Space - Municipal Auditorium

Mr. Kenneth W. Pratt, representing the senior clubs of Ottawa and the Franklin County Nutrition program, requested space in the Municipal Auditorium for the nutrition program and rooms for crafts, games and activities for the senior citizens. Mr. Pratt explained that the nutrition program would need a dining area for the noon meal on Monday through Friday of each week. In addition, the other rooms could be open for use by all elderly citizens at all times. It was explained by the City Commission that there are to be no rooms set aside in the Municipal Auditorium for the exclusive use of any group, that the improvement program is being financed by all taxpayers of the city and all persons will have equal chance to use this facility. It was further explained by the Commission that there will not be a full kitchen in the remodeled facility but that a serving area and warming ovens for catering will be available.

Another question asked if the American Legion and VFW would have the same use of the building that they had before it was closed. Again it was answered that there will be no areas reserved for use of a single or select group.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - September 21, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Nichols, Gaynor and Zook.
Absent: Commissioner Park.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held September 7, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Meeting with Franklin County Agricultural Society

Mary Burch, representing the Franklin County Agricultural Society, addressed the City Commission concerning the electric rates at Celebration Hall located on the fairgrounds. It was explained by Mrs. Burch that the utility bills for Celebration Hall are such that it is becoming increasingly difficult for the Agricultural Society to maintain the operation at Celebration Hall. It was explained further by Mrs. Burch that Celebration Hall is made available to most all groups at a nominal rate because Celebration Hall is about the only facility in the city of Ottawa that is on a ground level and can be utilized by handicapped persons.

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Request of Ottawa University Homecoming Committee

A letter from the Ottawa University Homecoming Committee requesting permission to have a bonfire in Orlis Cox Park at 8:30 p.m., September 29, 1977 was read. The Governing Body extended permission for the requested bonfire with certain stipulations, stipulations being that the city would furnish the wood for the bonfire to alleviate the possibility of junk lumber containing nails and other objects being burned, the city, at its own descretion, will provide a fire truck to stand by on site, that the city would expect and appreciate help the following morning in cleanup in the general area of the bonfire and that the city will do the total cleanup of the ashes and debris left from the fire. The City Commission directed the staff to notify Ottawa University of the permission granted and the conditions.

Ordinance No. 2571 - Zoning

An ordinance changing the zoning of Lots 2 and 4, Block 1, Fitts Place Addition, from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to MH (Mobile Home) was considered. The Planning

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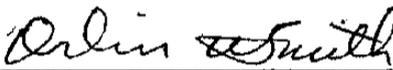
An ordinance changing the zoning of Lots 2 and 4, Block 1, Fitts Place Addition, from I-2 (Heavy Industrial) to MH (Mobile Home) was considered. The Planning Commission, at its last regular meeting which was held September 6, 1977, unanimously recommended this change. A motion was made by Commissioner Zook that said ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Letter of Acceptance - EDA Grant

A letter of acceptance for an EDA Grant in the amount of \$250,000 was authorized. The monies received from this grant, it was explained, are to be used to construct a new water main under the Marais Des Cygnes River to the north side of Ottawa. A motion to approve the letter of acceptance and to authorize the City Manager to sign said letter as accepting official and to authorize the Mayor to sign said letter as certifying official was made by Commissioner Nichols.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The text of this meeting, with the exception of the last approximate 10 minutes, is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - October 5, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook, Gaynor, and Nichols.
Absent: Commissioner Park.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held September 21, 1977 were corrected to indicate that the acceptance of the EDA grant for monies to construct a new water main under the Marais des Cygnes River were also for the construction of other water mains in the south part of the city. The balance of minutes were approved as they were written.

Engineering Contract - Sewer Improvements

A contract authorizing A. C. Kirkwood and Associates to proceed with the design of sanitary sewer improvements to serve the Pinehurst Estates Addition, Southview Addition and an area on the west side of Elm Street between 17th and 19th Streets was approved. It was brought out that the approval of this agreement is a followup of a meeting between the City Commission and the property owners fronting on Elm Street between 17th and 19th. It was further pointed out that the engineering firm is to do all design work on a per diem basis. A motion for approval of said contract and to authorize the Mayor to sign said contract was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Resolution No. 166 - Purchase Agreement

A resolution authorizing the City of Ottawa to purchase United States government surplus property and setting forth the rules and regulations for purchase of said property was introduced. It was explained that by passage of this resolution that the city does not obligate itself in any way for any purchase but the city may in the future purchase such government surplus property as may be advisable under the terms set forth in said resolution. A motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report of the Planning Commission

The report of the Planning Commission of October 4, 1977 is as follows:

"The City Planning Commission held its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., October 4, 1977. Actions and recommendations of the Planning Commission are as follows:

The Planning Commission decided to postpone a final recommendation on the petition of annexation as submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Keim until the next Planning Commission meeting in November. The Planning Commission wanted to further study the possibility of annexing a strip of land along East 15th Street instead of just a small tract. Furthermore, the Planning Commission wanted Mr. Keim to give consideration to some questions the administrative staff had about certain elements of his annexation proposal.

The Planning Commission met with Mr. Don Ledbetter, owner of Todd Mobile Homes and representing Precision Housing Industries of Hutchinson, Kansas, and reviewed his plans to erect modular homes in the Ottawa area. The Planning Commission decided that the modular homes met the specifications of our zoning ordinance and gave him final approval to go ahead with his plans.

The Planning Commission took under consideration a proposal by Wilson & Company of Salina to provide planning assistance on a consulting basis. The Planning Commission decided to investigate other consulting firms in the area before they make a final decision. The Planning Commission asked the staff to provide a list of reliable firms that provide planning assistance."

Commissioner Zook questioned the statement that "the Planning Commission wanted Mr. Keim to give consideration to some questions the administrative staff had about certain elements of his annexation proposal". The questions posed by the City Commission concern the questions of the administrative staff, to be more explicit, about the information desired. David Watkins, Administrative Intern, answered that the legal description as it appears on the annexation request would place Mr. Keim's house within 6 inches of the west property line, this is not in conformity with the zoning ordinance. Also, inasmuch as this property is not accessible to sanitary sewer that a percolation test should be run on the soil to determine the feasibility of a septic system. Overall it was explained that if this were annexed on an "as is" basis, the site would become a non-conforming use as a result of the closeness of the structure to the property line and the city must be assured that there are adequate facilities for disposal of sewage.

There was no action taken at this time on the report of the Planning Commission.

Request for Parade and Bonfire

Two letters of request from the Ottawa High School were read. The first letter requested permission to have a parade from City Park to Orlis Cox Park at 7:00 p.m., October 12, 1977, the second letter requested permission to have a bonfire at Orlis Cox Park following the parade. Permission for the parade and the bonfire were granted providing that the Department of Public Safety approved the parade and that the bonfire activity would be conducted similar to one held by Ottawa University a few days ago. It was explicitly stated that the city would furnish the firewood but that help would be expected from the high school the following morning to clean up the area.

Proclamation - National Business and Professional Women's Week

A proclamation proclaiming the week of October 16 through 22, 1977 as National Business and Professional Women's Week was read and signed by Mayor Reusch.

Announcement - Proposed Sale of North American Hotel Building

It was announced that an ad will be inserted in the Kansas City Star, the Wall Street Journal and historic and business magazines for the sale of the North American Hotel. The City Commission indicated that more emphasis would be put on the proposed use of the building than the price that might be received for the building. The City Commission indicated that they felt that it was more necessary to be concerned about the use and general aesthetics of the building to enhance the downtown area than to be concerned about price. Commissioner Gaynor said that though he agreed with the City Commission on the use of the building that he felt such imposed restrictions in an ad for the sale of the building might appear as a negative approach to the sale of the building. Commissioner Gaynor felt that the conditions of sale should be made known to prospective purchasers only after inquiry was made. The Commission indicated that the form of the ad is not final and further consideration will be given to it.

Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

It was announced by Mayor Reusch that a Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m., October 15, 1977 at the Ottawa University Student Union. Mayor Reusch stated that child care facilities will be available for babies through 3 year olds, a nursery will be held at the Christian Church. For children 3 years old and up a nursery will be in the upstairs of the Student Union Building operated by the Ottawa Library staff. The fee for child care is 50¢ per person. The speaker for the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be Mayor

Hans Tanzler of Jacksonville, Florida who is said to be a very dynamic speaker. The cost of the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast tickets is \$3.50.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


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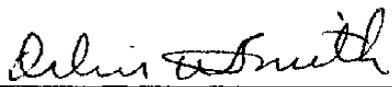
The City Governing Body met in special session at 3:30 p.m. this date. Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook and Nichols. Absent: Commissioners Park and Gaynor.

This special meeting was called for the purpose of enactment of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a funding agreement to receive funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for specific purposes.

Resolution No. 167 - Signature Authorization

A resolution authorizing the City Manager of the City of Ottawa, Kansas, to execute a funding agreement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development was introduced. It was explained that this resolution is necessary for the Department of Housing and Urban Development to recognize the referenced funding agreement signed by the City Manager. The motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present as stated above voted in favor of the motion.

The purpose of the call of this meeting being completed, the meeting was adjourned. The text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of this meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - October 19, 1977

The City Commission met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook, Park, Gaynor and Nichols.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held October 5, 1977 were changed to reflect the correction of a typographical error appearing in the second paragraph of page 49. This paragraph made reference to a percolation text and was corrected to read percolation test. The balance of the minutes of the meeting of October 5 and the minutes of the special meeting which was held October 12, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Ordinance #2572 - Weed Abatement

An ordinance prohibiting weeds, providing for their abatement and providing for penalties for violation and assessment of costs for the city abating the nuisance was introduced. It was discussed that the proposed ordinance not only declare weeds as a nuisance but provide for stricter enforcement of the weed ordinance and also assign a liability to property owners for weeds growing from the center line of any street or alley abutting their property. It was further brought out that weeds and high grasses not only constitute a fire hazard, but are a harbor for rats, mice and snakes. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Request for New Car Show

A request was received from the new car dealers of Ottawa to use the City Park October 28 and 29 to show the new car models. The City Commission in approving said request stipulated that if it should rain prior to the show that the new cars would have to be shown on Hickory and Park Streets, and if it should rain during the time of the show that the new cars would not be removed from the park until the city could provide ramps for said removal. Commissioner Park made a motion to approve the request subject to the provisions set out above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Bids for Water Plant Construction and Improvements

It was announced that bids would be opened at 10:00 a.m., November 9 for water main construction consisting of a new water pipe under the river and other mains in the south section of Ottawa. It was further announced that bids would be opened at 10:00 a.m., November 30, 1977 for the construction of a new water plant.

Bids - Renovation of Municipal Auditorium

It was announced that bids had been received for the renovation of the Municipal Auditorium. Bids are as follows: Loyd Builders, Inc. - \$532,068; Huxtable Construction Co. - \$680,000 and Triangle Builders - \$613,624. It was stated that a recommendation from the architects will be forthcoming in the near future.

Question Concerning Community Development Monies

Mr. Al Mages questioned community development monies being spent to pave streets. Mr. Mages stated that he understood that this was contrary to state law, that property owners must pay for paving. It was pointed out

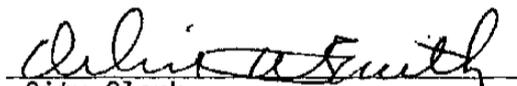
to Mr. Mages that revenue sharing monies were used to overlay Cedar Street from 1st to 15th and other streets but that these street improvements were not of the same magnitude of a regular paving project. The streets improved with community development monies will be 3" of asphalt over a rock base as compared to regular paving projects which consist of 8" of concrete or 9" of asphalt over a rock base. It was pointed out that community development monies can be spent only in areas designated blighted areas, that is, that the people living and owning property in these areas would probably never be in a financial position to pay for a street paving project.

Mr. Park remarked that this policy is a change in the basic philosophy and pitch of the past but that to meet the Federal requirements for the expenditure of community development monies, such change was necessary.

Request for Parade - VFW

Mr. Loral Gonce, representing the VFW, requested permission to hold a Veterans Day Parade on Main Street in Ottawa at 7:00 p.m., November 11, 1977. Mr. Gonce stated that the parade is to proceed from Park Street to Tecumseh. The Commission approved the VFW's request for a parade, providing all details are cleared with the Department of Public Safety.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.


City Clerk

City Hall - November 2, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park, Nichols and Gaynor.
Absent: Commissioner Zook.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held October 19, 1977 were approved as they were written.

Presentation of Service Awards

Mayor Reusch presented awards to six employees of the city denoting each individual's years of continuous service with the city. Those receiving 10 year awards were: Mrs. Rose Hanes, Mr. Ronnie Small, Mr. Bruce Welton and Mr. Dale Whiteford. Receiving 25 year awards were Mr. Joe Campbell and Mr. George Louderback.

Presentation of Final Plans for Water Facilities Improvements

Mr. B. J. Kirkwood and Mr. Harry Bond of A. C. Kirkwood & Associates made a presentation of the final plans and specifications for the construction of a new water treating facility and water distribution improvements. Mr. Bond stated during the presentation that one set of plans and specifications are for a new water main to cross the Marais des Cygnes River and for a new water main to complete a loop to the south storage tank. The second set of plans and specifications are for a new water treating facility and it was stated that this facility is to be totally new and not using any part of the old system. Through the course of the presentation, it was brought out that Mr. John Clark, Utilities Director, had approved these plans and that only very minor changes had been incorporated since Mr. Clark's approval.

It was reported that bids for the construction of the water distribution system improvements were to be received November 9, 1977 and that bids for the construction for the new water treating facility until November 30, 1977.

Commissioner Park made a motion that the plans and specification as presented by A. C. Kirkwood & Associates be accepted by the City Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Appointment to Planning Commission

It was announced by Mayor Reusch that Mr. Clarence Koch has been appointed to an unexpired term on the City Planning Commission. The vacancy occurs because of Mrs. Laura Germer, former member of the Planning Commission, moved from the community. Mr. Koch's term on the Planning Commission will run until April, 1980. It was directed that a note of appreciation for service be sent to Mrs. Germer.

Request for Art, Craft and Music Fair - City Park

The City Commission discussed a request as submitted by Sarita Engles, Director of Ottawa Arts Association, to hold an art, craft and music fair in City Park on May 20 and 21, 1978. It was pointed out that by holding the art, craft and music fair on these dates that it will coincide with the annual Skunk Run Book-sale and it was felt that each would work to the advantage of the other. A motion to permit an art, craft and music fair to be held in City Park on May 20 and 21, 1978 was made by Commissioner Nichols. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Planning Commission

A report of the meeting of the Planning Commission of November 1, 1977 is as follows:

"The Planning Commission decided to postpone a final recommendation on the petition of annexation as submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Keim until the next meeting in December. Mr. Keim, who was present at the meeting, informed the Commission that he had taken steps to have his legal description rewritten, to have a percolation test conducted on his property, and to see about the installment of an aerator tank instead of a septic tank in his backyard. He had not yet received the copy of the rewritten legal description and promised to have it ready by the next study session of the Planning Commission.

Mr. Dan Fogle, who was also present at the meeting, answered questions from the Planning Commission regarding his intentions to submit property along E. 15th Street for annexation. Mr. Fogle indicated a desire to have his house annexed, but stated that he would have to consult his brother and father before making plans to submit the rest of his property fronting on E. 15th for annexation.

The Planning Commission decided to postpone a final recommendation on the Historic Preservation Ordinance until its next meeting in December. The Planning Commission desires to hold a public meeting on the matter November 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission chambers. The Planning Commission wants to obtain additional public input before making a final recommendation.

The Planning Commission established a schedule for interviewing planning consulting firms who have submitted proposals to provide planning services to the City of Ottawa. The Planning Commission will interview Vieux Associates, Ron Jones and Associates, and Bucher & Willis on Tuesday, November 8 beginning at 7:00 p.m."

At the conclusion of the reading of the report of the Planning Commission, Commissioner Park asked how the Planning Commission selected the planning consulting firms who are scheduled to be interviewed. Mr. Watkins, Administrative Intern, explained that each member of the Planning Commission received a copy of the proposal of each consulting firm and from that, the field was narrowed to three applicants, plus the firm of Wilson and Company.

Application for Request to Exceed Budget Authority

Mayor Reusch commented on the need of the city to seek authority to exceed the budget for 1977 in the Utility Fund. Mayor Reusch explained that the city has an obligation in the amount of \$243,460.96 for engineering fees for the design of our new water treating facility and distribution system improvements and that due to the increase of approximately 50% in the cost of natural gas to operate our generating plant that we are short of budget authority to meet these obligations for the balance of 1977.

The shortage of budget authority to pay for the design of the water plant arises from a change in plans from selling bonds prior to the letting of bids to selling bonds after letting bids. This change was affected to insure that only an amount necessary to cover construction costs would be underwritten by bond debt. As explained, the shortage of budget authority to purchase fuel arises from the increased costs of fuel since the budget was drawn over a year ago, the amount necessary to underwrite this cost for the balance of 1977 is estimated to be \$300,000. The total of the request to be submitted to the Board of Tax Appeals for authority to exceed budget in the Utility Fund is \$543,460.96.

Commissioner Park made a motion that the city submit application for authority to exceed budget in the Utility Fund in the amount of \$543,460.96 to the Kansas

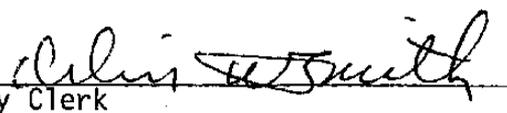
Board of Tax Appeals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Announcements Concerning Traffic Control

Mayor Reusch announced that the city had received the answer to a request to the Department of Transportation that the speed limit on East Logan cannot be lowered. The Department of Transportation reported that as a result of its traffic survey in this area that they would not permit the lowering of the speed limit on this street.

Mayor Reusch also reported that as a result of the most recent request to the Department of Transportation for a vehicular and pedestrian traffic control at the intersection of 9th and Main Streets that the Department of Transportation had granted said request conditionally. The conditions for the installation of a traffic control device at this intersection are that the stop lights must be traffic actuated for east and west bound traffic and that a pushbutton be used for east and west bound pedestrian traffic. It was discussed that this type of traffic control installation is more costly than a timed device but that this was the only type of device that would be permitted at this intersection. Mayor Reusch commented that the final approval for this device was brought about by a review of traffic accident reports at this intersection by the Department of Transportation and that those people who circulated those petitions of request for this light and sent them to the Department of Transportation certainly should receive some credit for this.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - November 16, 1977

The City Commission met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date. Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Park, Gaynor and Nichols. Absent: Commissioner Zook.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting held November 2, 1977 were corrected as follows: Page 55, paragraph following the report of the Planning Commission meeting, it is indicated that the Planning Commission selected Planning Consulting firms based totally upon proposals submitted by Planning Consulting firms. This paragraph should state that the names of Planning Consulting firms were received from Mr. Stan McAdoo of the Kansas Department of Economic Development. The balance of the minutes were approved as written.

Contract for Renovation of the Municipal Auditorium

Prior to taking action on awarding a contract, Mayor Reusch commented that she appreciated the efforts of the auditorium committee that they had given many hours of study and consideration before coming up with a recommendation. Commissioner Park stated that he appreciated the efforts of the City Manager and staff in this area. Mayor Reusch stated that it is regretful that we must forego some of the things in the original plan for the renovation of the auditorium to come up with a workable solution to renovation of this building. Some of the things mentioned that we will probably have to forego were steel windows in place of aluminum windows and the benches and planters in the front of the building. Inasmuch as the city is not receiving a BOR grant for the development of the Kanza Park in the amount of \$60,000 that this frees \$60,000 in revenue sharing matching funds that can be used for the auditorium and that money that was to be used for the completion of a parking lot across from City Hall in the amount of \$35,000 to \$40,000 will also be used for the auditorium. Commissioner Park made a motion that a contract in the amount of \$565,140 for the renovation of the Municipal Auditorium be awarded to Loyd Builders, Inc., and that the Mayor be authorized to sign said contract. The amount of \$565,140 is the total of Loyd Builder's base bid of \$532,068 plus the addition of some alternates. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Recommendation of A. C. Kirkwood - Water Distribution System Improvements

Mr. Harry Bond of A. C. Kirkwood & Associates recommended to the City Commission that the city accept the bid of Garney Utilities, Kansas City, Missouri, in the amount of \$272,272 for the construction of new water mains. Mr. Bond stated that his firm had worked with Garney Utilities on other projects and that their work was very good. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$291,300. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to accept the bid of Garney Utilities and to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with Garney Utilities for this project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Final Acceptance - Paving Contract #4

A recommendation of the consulting engineers was read which stated that paving contract #4 in the amount of \$119,058.95 should be accepted as it has been completed in a satisfactory way. Paving contract #4 is for the improvement of Cherry Street from 9th to 10th, Maple Street from 11th Street to a point 480' north, 9th St., Willow to Ash, and Cypress Street, 7th to 8th. A motion to accept said contract as completed was made by Commissioner Gaynor, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Change of Meeting Date

It was discussed that inasmuch as the City Manager and City Commission is going to be in San Francisco attending a National League of Cities meeting the first week in December that it would be necessary to change the next regular meeting date. The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 7, 1977 which falls in the first week of December. A motion was made by Commissioner Park that the December 7 meeting be postponed to December 14, 1977. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and all present voted in favor of the motion.

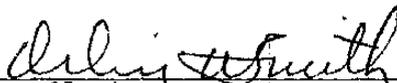
Proclamation - Bible Week

A proclamation proclaiming the week of November 20 - 27, 1977 as Bible Week in the City of Ottawa was approved by the Commission and signed by Mayor Reusch.

Request of Franklin County Coordinator of Emergency Preparedness

Mr. Bill Rice, who stated he had recently been appointed as Coordinator for Emergency Preparedness for Franklin County, appeared before the City Commission stating that the local office for Emergency Preparedness stands ready to help the community in any disaster areas. Mr. Rice stated that should disaster strike this community that he could solicit help from the National Guard through the office of the Governor. Mr. Rice pledged to cooperate with city officials in any area that his organization could .

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of this meeting.



City Clerk

City Hall - December 14, 1977

The City Commission met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook, Park, Gaynor and Nichols.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held November 16, 1977 were approved as written.

Public Hearing - Use of Revenue Sharing Funds

A public hearing to receive requests and comments concerning the use of revenue sharing funds for 1978 was held. It was explained that this hearing is being held as a result of a change of proposed uses of revenue sharing funds in excess of 10% of the total budget. It was also explained that this hearing would in no way affect those uses for which requests had earlier been granted. The reason for the change in programmed spending is that the city did not receive a grant from the Bureau of Outdoor Reclamation in the amount of \$60,000 that had been anticipated. The failure to receive this grant left the city with \$60,000 in unallocated funds which had been earmarked to match this grant. The city proposes instead to spend this money on the remodel of the Municipal Auditorium along with other revenue sharing monies for a total of \$81,950. There being no comments or requests received, this hearing was closed. The actual proposed revenue sharing budget will be presented at the meeting of December 21, 1977.

Engineer's Recommendations - New Water Treatment Facility

Mr. Harry Bond of A. C. Kirkwood & Associates presented the recommendation of his company recommending that the city award the contract for the construction of a new water treatment facility in the amount of \$4,440,000 to Carrouthers Construction Company, Inc., Paola. It was explained by Mr. Bond that the engineer's estimate for this project was \$4,750,000. Mr. Bond stated that additional costs for this project would be engineering & inspection fees and land acquisition. Commissioner Zook made a motion that the Mayor be authorized to sign a contract with Carrouthers Construction Company, Inc., conditioned upon the city's ability to sell bonds in an amount necessary to underwrite the contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Planning Commission Meeting

"The City Planning Commission held its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., December 6, 1977. Actions and recommendations of the Planning Commission are as follows:

The Planning Commission took under advisement a request by Mrs. Wilma J. Smith to investigate the possibility of amending the zoning ordinance to broaden the definition of a home occupation. This was in response to her being informed by the City Attorney that her request at last month's meeting to operate a taxi dispatching operation in an R-2 district did not constitute a home occupation according to his interpretation of the definition contained in the zoning ordinance.

The Planning Commission met with Mr. Anthony Keim concerning his petition for annexation. The Planning Commission asked him what Mr. Dan Fogle's intentions for annexation were at this time. Jon Indall informed the Planning Commission that negotiations were presently underway between Mr. Dan Fogle's lawyer and the City Attorney concerning the ownership of lands along East 15th Street and advised the Planning Commission to postpone action until these problems were worked out. At this point, Mr. Keim stated that he wanted his petition considered separately from the Fogle negotiations and he was informed that the Planning Commission's ultimate decision would be contingent on whether or not Dan Fogle submitted his land for annexation. At this point Mr. Keim indicated that he wished to withdraw his petition for annexation.

The Planning Commission decided, by a 4 to 1 vote, to recommend the adoption of the "voluntary" Historical Preservation Ordinance which includes the provision

that the ordinance only apply to a structure "with the consent of the owner". Planning Commission Chairman Virginia Anderson went on record as supporting the "mandatory" version, but opted to vote for the voluntary ordinance in order to ensure that some version of a Historic Preservation Ordinance be adopted.

The Planning Commission decided to recommend that the consulting firm of Bucher & Willis in Kansas City, Missouri be retained as the firm responsible for providing planning advisory services to the City of Ottawa in calendar year 1978."

At the recommendation of Commissioner Nichols the City Commission directed that the possibility of controlling taxi cab operations within the city, thus insuring the citizens of Ottawa of safe taxi cab service, be looked into. There were no actions necessary concerning the reported withdrawal of the petition for annexation as submitted by Anthony Keim.

Commissioner Park opened the discussion concerning the Planning Commission's recommendation that the voluntary Historic Preservation Ordinance be adopted. Commissioner Park stated that as a result of misunderstandings and lack of understanding that he would make a 4-point motion considering Historic Preservation. Commissioner Park's motion was 1) to table the recommendation of the Planning Commission concerning adoption of a voluntary Historic Preservation Ordinance, 2) that the historical site survey and inventory be expedited, being hopeful that matching funds from the State for this purpose can be received in the near future, 3) that a historic landmark committee be appointed and directed to prepare a historic preservation plan, and 4) that with the first 3 items being completed that the passage of a Historic Preservation Ordinance again be considered.

Upon recommendation of the Commission, Commissioner Park amended his motion to the effect that consideration for passage of a Historic Preservation Ordinance be tabled. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

After further discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Commissioner Nichols to table all 4 points of Mr. Park's original motion for study and consideration. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion. It was felt that by taking this action that the Commission and the citizens of Ottawa might gain a greater understanding and insight into the endeavors of historic preservation. The entire text of this discussion is on tape in the files of the City Clerk.

Cereal Malt Beverage License Applications

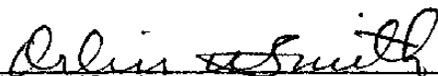
The City Commission proceeded to consider cereal malt beverage license applications for 1978. Prior to receiving said applications, Mayor Reusch made a statement that she would vote opposing the applications because State statutes as written does not allow the City Commission to disapprove any of these applications if specific conditions are met. Cereal malt beverage applications are as follows: Saddleback Lounge, 111 N. Main, operated by William L. Osborne; Hickory Inn, 120 E. Dundee, operated by Bruce L. Fairbanks; The Twilight Retreat, 111 S. Main, operated by Alta S. Hicks; Blue Room Tavern, 231 N. Main, operated by Bruce Neil Snook; The Pub, 122 S. Main, operated by James H. Baugher; Fraternal Order of Eagles, 524 E. 15th, Hayward Brill, manager; Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks, 114½ W. 2nd, John L. Humrickhouse, manager; Andy's Service Station, 1115 W. 7th, operated by Willard Cromwell; South Ottawa Conoco, 2243 Princeton Street, operated by Roger C. Crews; Pizza Hut of Wichita, 118 W. 15th Street, Lee A. Johnson, manager; Pizza Village, Inc., 330 S. Main, James M. Jones, manager; Pow Wow Lounge, 2040 Princeton Street, Sandra Jo Clary, manager; A & P Grocery, 113 S. Hickory, Orville Hayward, manager; White's Grocery, 720 W. 7th, operated by Shirley L. White; Waymire Food Mart, 117 N. Main, Donald E. Waymire, manager; Waymire Butcher Block, 2008 Princeton Street, Charles F. Waymire, manager; Pence Food Centers, Inc., 305 N. Main, Marvin L. Burns, asst. manager and agent; Pence Food Centers, Inc., 1428 S. Main, Thomas O. Moats, manager. A motion to approve said application for issuance of cereal malt beverage licenses was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion except Mayor Reusch who voted opposing the motion.

Following approval of license applications, the City Commission asked the City Attorney if it were possible to limit the number of taverns allowed within a given area. The City Attorney answered that this would be possible through zoning. The City Commission directed that the Planning Commission consider zoning regulations which would limit the number of taverns in a given area.

Resolution #168 - Time of Meetings

A resolution establishing a meeting time for the City Commission at 9:35 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of each month to be effective December 21, 1977 was passed. A motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion. Prior to passage of this resolution, it was stated that in order to broadcast Commission meetings from their beginning it would be necessary to affect this time change to coincide with the broadcast schedule of KOFO.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk

CITY HALL _ December 21, 1977

The City Governing Body met in regular session at 9:35 a.m. this date.
Present: Mayor Reusch and Commissioners Zook, Gaynor, Nichols and Park.
Absent: none.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the last regular meeting which was held December 14, 1977 were approved as written with the correction of a typographical error under the heading of "Public Hearing - Use of Revenue Sharing Funds". The word "closed" was misspelled as "cloased".

Ordinance #2573 - Territorial Boundaries

An ordinance redefining the territorial boundaries of the City of Ottawa was introduced. It was explained that the city has taken in two small tracts during this calendar year, one being the Pinehurst Estates Addition and the other being a tract owned by Mr. Jess Gilmore. A motion for passage of said ordinance was made by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Approval of Cereal Malt Beverage License Applications

The following application for cereal malt beverage licenses for 1978 were introduced: The Elbow Loung, 1205 N. Main, operated by June Alterman; Ottawa Country Club Association, located on East Logan Street, A. C. Chrismer, manager and the Blue Sky, 1602 S. Main, operated by Ray A. Wards. A motion for approval of said applications for issue of license was made by Commissioner Zook, seconded by Commissioner Park and all present voted in favor of the motion except Mayor Reusch who voted opposing the motion.

Resolution #169 - Peterson Drive to Poplar Street

A resolution changing the name of Peterson Drive to Poplar Street was introduced. It was explained that Peterson Drive is an extension of Poplar Street south of 15th Street and that it is very confusing for people to locate an address on Peterson Drive. A motion for passage of said resolution was made by Commissioner Gaynor, seconded by Commissioner Nichols and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Presentation - Revenue Sharing Budget

A revised revenue sharing budget for 1978 was presented by the City Manager. The City Manager stated that inasmuch as the line item expenditures within the 1978 revenue sharing budget had been changed in excess of 10% of the total budget that it was necessary to follow this procedure to comply with Federal law. It was further explained by the City Manager that since the city was not receiving a BOR grant in the amount of \$60,000 for development of Kanza Park that a \$60,000 allocation from revenue sharing funds to match this grant had been shifted to underwrite expenditures at the Municipal Auditorium. In addition to this shift of emphasis, the city had cut other expenditures from the revenue sharing budget that a total of \$81,950 may be used in the remodel of the auditorium. The City Manager did state, however, that this shift of emphasis did not affect requests for funding that had come from outside sources. The City Governing Body accepted the proposed revised budget and stated that a final hearing on this matter will be held at the next regular Commission meeting which is January 4, 1978.

Agreement for Planning Services - Bucher & Willis

The City Commission took action on a recommendation of the Planning Commission by which the firm of Bucher & Willis was approved for planning consultant services for 1978. The contract for such services stated that the services are to be rendered on a per diem basis but not to exceed \$4,000 for 1978. A motion was made

by Commissioner Park to approve a contract for services as prepared by Bucher & Willis. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zook and all present voted in favor of the motion.

Appointment - Recreation Commission

Mayor Reusch announced that she was appointing Mr. Terry Ostmeyer to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Martin Owens on the Recreation Commission. Mayor Reusch stated she would like to thank Mr. Owens for the service he had given the city during his tenure on the Recreation Commission as well as the service he had performed for this community as Executive Director of the Greater Ottawa Chamber of Commerce.

Other Business

Commissioner Park commented that he had a copy of the minutes of the last meeting of the Ottawa Recreation Commission and that the minutes indicated that the meeting was called to order by the Director. Commissioner Park suggested that possibly the Recreation Commission should be contacted to the effect that the Chairman of the Recreation Commission should conduct its meetings.

Commissioner Zook called upon David Watkins, Administrative Assistant, to explain the city's progress on the Community Development grant. Mr. Watkins explained that the city has approximately \$210,000 left from the proposed North American project which has been rescheduled for use in specific target areas within the city. Improvements scheduled within these areas are weatherization and repairs on owner-occupied substandard homes, removal of dead trees, trash and debris and resurfacing of certain streets within these areas. Mr. Watkins reported that the final details of this project are now being worked out and the city will be in a position to proceed in the near future.

Mr. Zook then asked the City Manager to comment on correspondence he had received from Kansas State University pertaining to the experimental farm located on city property. The City Manager explained that he had received a letter from Kansas State University seeking an approximate 20 year lease on the 160 acre tract that is used for agricultural experimental purposes. The City Manager said that Kansas State University wishes to build a dam to hold back water for irrigation purposes for certain agriculture experiments that may run for as long as 20 years. Kansas State University is asking for prorated reimbursement for the cost of the dam should the city have need to cancel said lease before the full time period expired. It was further discussed that the dam should be placed in a location that would not interfere with possible future airport runway extensions and that the lease agreement should be open to negotiate monetary considerations from year to year.

There being no further business, Mayor Reusch wished everyone a Merry Christmas and adjourned the meeting. The entire text of this meeting is on tape in the files of the City Clerk and will remain so for one year from the date of the meeting.



City Clerk