

CITY OF BASEHOR

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY

BASEHOR, KANSAS 66007

Council Meeting

Sept. 1, 1970

Council Members Present: Mayor Alfred Meyer, Councilmen Robert Raines, Farris Roberts, Lester Worley, Bernard Eberth.

Others Present: Charles Newman, City Clerk, Richard Warden, City Treasurer, John Murray, City Attorney, Bruce Browne, Engineer, M. Tice, Laming and Tice Insurance, Deputies Campbell and Turner, Police Chief Cecil Swope, and citizens of the community.

Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order. Minutes of the previous meetings of Aug. 4 and 11 were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read by Warden. Roberts moved, seconded by Raines, that the report be accepted and appropriation ordinance #40 be approved. Four votes yes; no votes opposed. Motion carried.

Following an explanation by Murray, the Council approved payment of \$263.00 from the Phase II account to the Clerk of the Circuit Court for settlement of the Hedge property account.

Murray reported on a letter that he had written to Bernard Balkin, agent for United Bonding Co. regarding unpaid bills charged to John Velder, Contractor. Murray stated that the release signed by Bernard Balkin would relieve the City of any responsibility for the unpaid bills.

Browne reported that Burns had submitted a claim for ~~#~~30.00 to cover damages and that he had directed John Velder to pay the amount directly to Burns. As of this date no payment has been made.

Browne further reported that Lateral Districts #1 and #2 have been completed and that he is in the process of determining the total cost of this portion of the project. The Federal Grant money should be received on or about September 10, 1970.

Browne submitted his written approval of the sewer extension in the Meyer Addition with such extension being known as Lateral #3.

Browne discussed to some extent the "tapping fee" that may be assessed future users of the sewer system. He assured the Council that he would report at the next meeting a basis of determining the amount of assessment costs and offer suggestions for setting a "tapping fee."

Murray explained the procedure for determining the assessment of real estate property for taxation purposes. Assessment would be based on bare land and would not include the improvements or buildings on that land. Three disinterested appraisers would view and assess each tract of land within the sewer district. After assessment is made, the property owners would be notified of their assessed costs and be given the opportunity through a public meeting to offer complaints and ask for reevaluation of the assessment.

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Leavenworth County Sheriff's Deputies Campbell and Turner and Police Chief Swope expressed their opinions and a request to have the City Council enact a curfew ordinance. Following a discussion Raines moved, seconded by Worley, that the City Attorney draft an ordinance creating a curfew that would regulate the congregating and loitering by juveniles. Four votes yes; no votes opposed. Motion carried.

Following a discussion of school stop signs at the Junior High School, Mayor Meyer stated he would investigate the installation of school stop signs. Raines then moved, seconded by Eberth, that the City purchase the necessary "School Zone" signs and install them at appropriate locations in the vicinity of the school. Four votes yes; no votes opposed. Motion carried.

The hiring of a man to oversee the maintenance of the sewer system was discussed. The City Clerk was directed to post notices asking for bids for cutting weeds at the sewer lagoons.

After a discussion regarding the condition of the streets, Raines moved, seconded by Worley, that an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00 be spent on the surfacing and oiling of the city street. Four votes yes; no votes opposed. Motion carried.

In addition to the surfacing and oiling it was suggested that the road crew be asked to install a 6" culvert where 156th Street intersects Leavenworth Road.

Following a discussion of the inequities of the sewer service rates, Roberts moved, seconded by Raines, that the sewer service rate on the Eyerly restaurant be reduced to \$7.00 per month. Four votes yes; no votes opposed. Motion carried.

Mayor Meyer reported that equipment presently stored on the Phillips property belongs to Ray Breuer. Mr. Breuer has promised to move the equipment within 30 days to a different location.

Mayor Meyer also reported that the State Penitentiary has refused to manufacture the street signs. Arrangements have been made to have a representative from a sign company located in Ottawa submit costs.

In the last order of business Raines moved, seconded by Worley, that Lateral #3 (Meyer Addition), Lateral #4 (Rickel Addition), and Lateral #5 (Pouppirt Addition), the construction of which has been inspected and approved by Engineer Browne, be accepted by the City. Four votes yes; no votes opposed. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

*Charles Newman*  
CHARLES NEWMAN,  
City Clerk