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City Council

Lake Vernonia will be filled this year, it was learned at Monday night's council session as well as stocked with fish where a small audience gathered to hear city business. Present were city councilmen Ed Balla, Joe Batty, Bud Atkins, and Jim Johnson. Also in attendance was city attorney Allan Coon and city recorder Phyllis Woods.

Mayor Sherman Fisher called the meeting

to order with the minutes of the prior session read and approved. Council then continued previous discussion with a representative of Meyer's Engi-

Budget meet set

The Vernonia Rural Fire Department budget committee will meet May 2, 8 p.m. at the Dan Fletcher residence, Mist Route, Box 16.

This meeting is open to the public and anyone may discuss the budget in whole or in part.

The budget committee will meet to consider the budget. Copy of the budget is available at the above address.

neer which revolved around the sewer lagoon and plans for a study to see whether Vernonia should refurbish the lagoon or build a sewage treatment facility.

Complete cost of a facility plan would be approximately \$21,000 with the city responsible for 25 percent of that. There would be an initial cost of \$1500 to implement the program.

It was learned that although the construction of a sewage treatment plant would take about six months the initial phase which includes environmental studies, grant applications, public meetings, etc., would take in the neighborhood of 13 to 20 months.

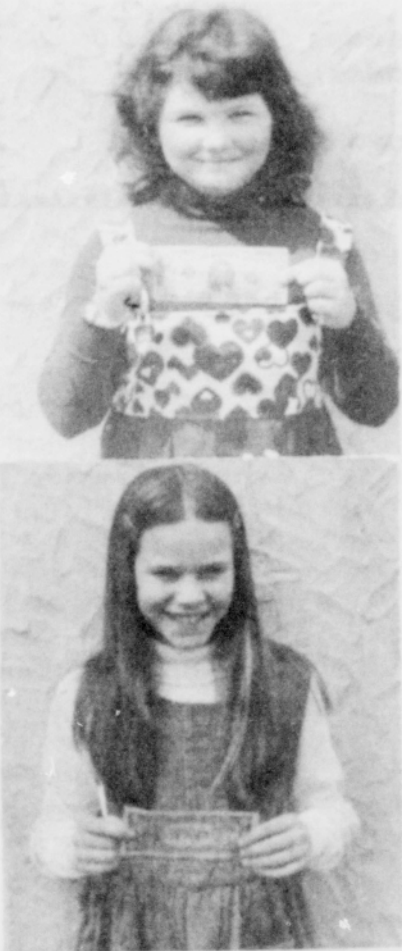
Business from the

floor was heard with Don Webb asking the council if another fuel tank could be considered for the new fire station. He also stated that there was no thermostat, to date, for the new heaters. A fuel tank would cost around \$160.

There was some discussion on the heaters now in place concerning the BTU output and input. Also as whether the pump would be adequate due to a 19 foot lift. According to the engineer it might be marginal.

Webb next requested 18 gallons of floor finish at a cost of \$8.50 per gallon or a total price of \$153. He added that they needed a door for the restroom too.

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Shown above are two of the winners of the Vernonia News Weekly Coloring Contest. Top: Nicky Shafer, 1st prize, \$5; bottom: 3rd prize winner, Christy Skinner. Julie Budge was 2nd place winner.

Baseball season underway

Monday, April 25 at 7 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Vernonia Little League in the trailer behind the Vernonia High School.

There will be a City Softball League meet Tuesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. also in the trailer behind the high school.

All those interested in playing or coaching for either the Little League or the City Softball League, are urged to attend these sessions.

"Grab your partner," shouts the caller and away the dancers go. With old fashion down-home music to set the mood, laughter and fun will fill the Scout Cabine at Hawkins Park Sunday, April 24 where members of the food co-op have planned a benefit square dance.

Planned to begin at 3 p.m., the affair will feature oldtime traditional square dancing with Sue Holden doing the calling and the Timber Bound providing the toe-tapping music.

And in keeping with the "years ago" theme there will be a potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$2 per adult; \$1.25 under 18; and children under eight are admitted free. The dance is set to end at 7:30 p.m. but that should give plenty of time for all to have danced themselves out.



Volunteer firemen answered a call to the home of Leighton Alford Monday afternoon to quell a fire apparently started by a de-

fective electric blanket. No one was in the home at the time of the fire. One room was totally gutted and all contents destroyed.