

Zone Change Request Referred Back to Meeting of Council, Commission

A request for a zone change for 30.3 acres at Biddle rd. and Crater Lake highway to permit construction of a tourist motel complex was referred back to a joint meeting of the Medford planning commission and the city council at the latter's meeting Thursday night.

The action to defer was unanimously taken by the council despite a recommendation by the planning commission that the zone change be granted. The applicants asked to have the property rezoned from single family to limited commercial.

request was Councilman Robert Bacaus, in whose ward the property is located. May Be Encroachment. Bacaus admitted the location was excellent for a tourist motel complex, but was concerned that it might constitute "an encroachment on potential residential areas" in the vicinity.

Plans for the property, if the request were to be granted, were outlined for the council by Attorney Manville Heisel, representing the property owners. He said a minimum of 120 motel units were contemplated by the developer together with other tourist facilities such as a restaurant, gasoline station and certain recreation developments.

In other action, the council voted to:

-Vacate a portion of the alley along the north side of 10th st. between Riverside ave. and Bear creek.

-Approve a change of zone from single and two family to multiple family for the south half of the westerly six lots of Block 4, Park addition.

-Grant a change of zone from single family to limited light industrial for property located on the north side of Highway 99, east of the state highway and state police offices, to permit construction of a building which will house the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree farm association.

-Consent to annexation of two areas to the Medford Rural Fire Protection district.

-Amend the council rules to close the agenda on the Wednesday which precedes the Wednesday preceding the council meeting.

-Accept an offer from the U.S. government to purchase the old Federal building, Sixth st. and Riverside ave., at a purchase price of \$42,500.

-Approve appropriation of \$3,642.50 from the emergency fund to pay legal costs incurred by the city in the trial brought against the city's building inspector by Roy Picard.

-Authorize negotiations for acquisition of property at South Riverside ave. and Earhart st. in order to provide proper alignment for the Earhart st. extension.

-Approve plans and specifications for a paving project and the installation of a sanitary sewer in Blossom Hill Terrace Unit No. 3.

-Award a contract for a sewage treatment plant digester and mixer to the low bidder, Loren Ritchey, Medford, who submitted a bid of \$7,488.

-Accept completed improvement projects: a sanitary sewer on Kenyon st., and an eight-inch water main on Biddle rd. from Morrow rd. to Crater Lake highway.

-Authorize assessment ordinances for Rogue Valley Estates area sanitary sewer, the sanitary sewer on Kenyon st., and the Biddle rd. water main.

-Extend Rogue Flying Service's operating permit until May 16.

-Award a contract for traffic paint to the low bidder, Norris Paint and Varnish company, which submitted an offer of \$1,773.

-Approve a liquor license transfer for Club 100, 42

North Front st. -Sell two houses owned by the city at 775 and 903 South

Holly st., which must be removed to permit construction of the Barnett-Melrose street

extension project. The 1 1/2 hour meeting was presided over by Mayor James

Dunlevy. Councilmen Terry Green and Joseph Hosick were absent. The next council meeting is scheduled for May 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers in city hall.

Student in State Competition

Central Point - An experiment by Mike Guss, Crater High school senior, has been selected by a science talent search committee as one of 13 experiments to be entered in the final judging in state competition at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry in Portland this week end.

His experiment, which has been in progress two years, is a study of muscle fatigue in frogs.

The project was one of many on view during the spring exhibit held recently at Crater High school.

Other demonstrations and their demonstrators were Verne Pendleton, constant temperature chamber for crystal growing; Darrell Badger and Gordon Barry, bending of light rays by glass prisms and a method of measuring the wave length of sound using a tuning fork and a closed tube; Dave Force, cloud chamber showing the tracks of cosmic rays and radiations from radioactive material; Ron Brown, refining of crude petroleum by fractional distillation; Jim Forrest, an artificial smoking machine and extraction of tars and products of burning from cigarette smoke; Loraine Hixson and Toni Morrow, determination of the amount of acid in lemon juice; Ron Smith and Don Thompson, prepare methane and study its explosive properties when mixed with oxygen; and Leslie Dewey and Mike Gardner, electroplating

with silver. Students demonstrating and explaining projects to the public during the show were Rick Maves, Dave Christy, Mike Guss and Jim Welch.

Ogden Kellogg, biology teacher, and Clarence Miller, chemistry and physics teacher, were in charge of the science show section of the spring exhibit.



IN STATE COMPETITION—This experiment depicting a study of muscle fatigue, the result of two years of work by Crater High School Senior Mike Guss, is one of 13 chosen to be entered in final judging in state competition at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry at Portland this week end. (Bob Marshall photo.)

Two People Appear In Circuit Court

John Robert Clark, 464 Eush st., Central Point, was placed on probation in Jackson county circuit court Thursday for violation of his probation.

Execution of a three-year sentence to the Oregon State Correctional Institution was suspended. He was allowed to transfer to New Jersey to live with his father. He was originally on probation for receiving stolen property.

Richard Henry Moeding, Huron, S. D., was arraigned on charges of obtaining property by false pretenses. He pleaded guilty to the charges.

A presentence report was ordered and Moeding was continued on \$750 bail.

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