

APRIL 17, 1978

Pursuant to a call by the Mayor the City Council of the City of Idaho Falls met in Special Session in the Mayor's Chambers on the 17th day of April, 1978, at 5:00 P.M. for the purpose of selecting an independent auditing firm for the Electrical Bulb Turbine Project; also retiring into executive session to discuss and consider electrical labor negotiations. There were present at said meeting: Mayor Tom Campbell, Councilmen Sam Sakaguchi, Jim Freeman, Ralph Wood, and Paul Hovey. Absent: Councilmen Mel Erickson and Charles Clark. Also present: Velma Chandler, Deputy City Clerk and John Evans, City Controller.

Councilman Hovey reported that, to satisfy potential bond buyers for the Electrical Revenue Bond issue, it would be necessary to appoint an independent auditing firm to audit electrical records. Hovey said that several qualified firms had been considered but that Mr. Rich Michels, Financial Consultant for the bond issue, with the concurrence of Rulon Williams from the City's auditors firm, had recommended Coopers & Lybrand, a New York Company with a branch office in Boise, Idaho. It was moved by Councilman Hovey, seconded by Wood, that the Coopers & Lybrand auditing firm be selected for the project as described and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a contract accordingly, when presented. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 5; No, none; carried.

The Mayor introduced the subject of the Senior Citizen's Center, reminding the Council that an offer had been made to the owner, Mr. Robert Oyler, for the appraised price of \$135,000 which included some parking area but that Mr. Oyler's asking price was in the amount of \$155,000. The Mayor noted that \$135,000 appeared to be a fair appraisal, inasmuch as a construction firm had recently indicated that the existing structure could be replaced for that amount of money. The Mayor also pointed out that certain citizens had questioned the advisability of acquiring the existing structure when a new facility could be constructed on other City owned land for the same expenditure. Councilman Freeman registered concern on the same grounds, adding that certain City owned land may be available that would be applicable. Councilman Hovey also concurred and added that the existing site, in his opinion, may not be too attractive because of location and traffic problems. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Hovey, that the Mayor be authorized to investigate the City's legal obligation in having made the offer as discussed and that a report of his findings be presented to the full Council at the next regular meeting. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, none; carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Hovey, that the Mayor and all Councilmen retire into executive session to discuss and consider certain electrical labor negotiations. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, none; carried.

After the executive session had convened, the roll was taken and the following found to be present: Mayor Tom Campbell; Councilmen Freeman, Hovey, Sakaguchi and Wood. Also present: Velma Chandler, Deputy City Clerk, Craig Lords, Personnel Director, Steve Harrison, Electrical Engineer. After the subject matter of this executive session was discussed at length, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Hovey, that this meeting adjourn at 6:30 P.M., carried.

ATTEST: s/ Velma Chandler
Deputy City Clerk

s/ Thomas Campbell
Mayor

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