

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES, LODI  
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

July 31, 1974

A joint meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi and the Board of Trustees of the Lodi Unified School District was held beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 31, 1974, in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Board Members:

Present: President Morton, Suess, Pickering, Cross, Sasaki, and Student Representative Jones.

Absent: Wisenor, Carleton

Council Members:

Present: Mayor Pinkerton, Schaffer, Hughes, Katnich, Ehrhardt

Absent: None

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Jansen, City Manager Glaves, Assistant City Manager Glenn, Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools Jensen, and City Attorney Mullen.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Councilman Ehrhardt.

PLEDGE

Mayor Pinkerton led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

GROUND RULES

Mayor Pinkerton and President Morton exchanged welcomes. Ground rules for discussion and tentative time limits of one half hour per subject were agreed upon.

FUTURE  
COMMUNITY USE  
OF OLD TOKAY  
HIGH SCHOOL  
SITE

Various members of the Board of Trustees and the City Council expressed their desire that the present site of Tokay High School be retained in public ownership and be used for community purposes.

Board Member Pickering stated he would like to see the property south of Walnut be retained and used as a continuation High School.

Mayor Pinkerton told of his plan which would include a youth center which would be built and operated by young people so they could learn the values of profit.

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Board Member Sasaki commented that the method of transfer will set a precedent on the disposal of other surplus school property.

The discussion next centered on the means of transfer. City Attorney Mullen told the joint meeting that the Board of Trustees and City Council can negotiate any arrangement that is mutually agreeable.

Councilman Schaffer recognized that cooperation between the two bodies and that negotiations on the transfer and transition of the property could best be worked out at the staff level. He further urged consideration of a master plan of the area with citizen input.

President Morton and Mayor Pinkerton emphasized jointly the need for a cooperative community effort and the need for long range master planning.

OPENING OF HAM  
LANE BETWEEN  
CENTURY BLVD.  
AND KETTLEMAN  
LANE

Board member Sues told of the need of opening Ham Lane for accessibility of students before the opening of Tokay High and the benefits to the City in more direct routes for City Fire and Public Works equipment. He told that the Board of Trustees had verbal agreement from Mr. Beckman to dedicate the property necessary to open one half of Ham Lane.

Discussion ensued around the issue of the City improving Ham Lane and then recovering these costs in the future as the land developed. This plan requires that a complete dedication of the necessary right-of-way be made. It was pointed out that Mr. Beckman has two concerns which must be met: that he not be land locked in his farming operation and that irrigation be made available to that portion of his land west of Ham Lane.

Discussion then centered around who would do the negotiating for the right-of-way. Councilman Schaffer recalled that it had previously been agreed that the Board of Trustees would carry on the negotiations with Mr. Beckman.

DEVELOPMENT OF  
RECREATION  
CENTER AT NEW  
TOKAY HIGH  
SCHOOL SITE

Discussion centered around the need for a 50 meter olympic sized swimming pool at Tokay High School.

Mr. Graves stated that a cooperative effort serves all the people best. He further stated he felt this size pool was something the community needs and that good planning dictated this was something that should be done at this time.

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Councilman Hughes expressed the need to examine the need for a warm-up pool and diving pool.

Mr. Jansen gave a report on the status of the plans. Construction drawings are now underway on the locker and shower room including means of dividing them so that part of the locker and shower room can be used during recreation. Space for pool has been allotted but no specific planning has been done.

President Morton felt that the Board of Trustees has reached a point where they can give directions to their staff to meet with the City staff, so that the planning can be coordinated to meet the needs of both agencies.

SCHOOL SITES  
IN THE CITY NOT  
PRESENTLY  
BEING USED

Discussion on this item centered around the school site south of General Mills. The problem is that children must use Mills and the west side of the street is undeveloped.

A possible solution was discussed whereby the school would dedicate the necessary right-of-way and the City make the improvement and be reimbursed when the property is developed. Further answers are needed as to whether the property can be dedicated, availability of City funds, and what type of reimbursement plan is most appropriate.

OTHER ITEMS  
OF INTEREST

After brief discussion, it was determined the proposed resolution that developers dedicate land for school sites has been dropped. Councilman Ehrhardt expressed the thought that even though the effort did not result in direct success that it was successful in that the County Planning Commission and other cities are now more aware of the problem.

Board member Pickering expressed the need to plan for replacement sites for Lincoln and Garfield Schools. These schools must be closed in June 1975 and the children must be bused from the area.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p. m.



Attest: JERRY L. GLENN  
Deputy City Clerk