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"I knew I could go lower all the time," Hurt explained, "I told the advisory committee (the county) we should go into more open bidding but they (other members) told me to keep quiet. That's when I left the committee."

Bacon said the county had been paying \$1700 a year for its false arrest insurance with Lloyd's of London.

"It was suggested they put it in with the liability insurance coverage, which they did and got it for \$400, a \$1300 savings, in open bidding.

"Why didn't the insurance committee recommend this before the county went out to open bidding if their advice is so valuable?" Bacon questioned.

"We're writing their fire insurance at a \$7000 savings," Bacon added.

"How much is it?" queried Councilman John McBain.

"It's \$15,000 to \$16,000," answered Bacon. "It was over \$20,000 before."

Councilman George Wilson said he had talked with various officials.

"I'm not convinced the county is entirely happy with the insurance it has. This is a vast field which only an agent understands fully. I'm confident the city has good insurance and is not paying in excess," Wilson commented.

Bacon said it was the method of operation of an insurance company that counted. He explained that just because a firm offers insurance lower than another does not mean the former is not any less reliable.

Councilman Norman Lezin said in his experience it was worthwhile to constantly review insurance coverage.

McBain asked that unbiased groups be contacted to help the city in the complicated issue.

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