

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro Tem Genna Dorow called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led a silent invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Councilmembers: Eugene Bain, Genna Dorow, Corey Everett, Larry McCourtie, and Mark Snyder.

Also Present: City Administrator Wade Farris; Department Heads: Police Chief Phil Schenck, Community Development Director Travis Goddard, City Clerk Debbie Kudrna and Finance Officer Spencer Williams.

Absent were: Mayor Shawn Logan and Councilmembers Angel Garza and John Lallas.

Council carried a motion to approve the absence of Councilmembers Garza and Lallas. M/S Bain/Everett.

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council carried a motion to approve the agenda. M/S Everett/McCourtie.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of December 12, 2016
- B. Approval of City Council Workshop Minutes of January 03, 2017
- C. Approval of 2016 Payroll and Related Checks
- D. Approval of 2016 Accounts Payable Checks
- E. Approval of 2017 Accounts Payable Checks

Accounts Payable was audited and certified by the Auditing Officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080; and those expense reimbursement claims certified and as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing that has been reviewed by the Council audit committee and is available to the Council.

Accounts Payable Check No. 5371 to No. 5371 in the amount of \$500.00.

Accounts Payable Check No. 47517 to No. 47567 in the amount of \$185,773.54.

Accounts Payable Check No. 47568 to No. 47606 in the amount of \$214,655.22.

Accounts Payable Check No. 47607 to No. 47627 in the amount of \$185,773.54.

Payroll and Related Expenses Check No. 30263 to No. 30295 in the amount of \$321,618.99.

Council carried a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. M/S McCourtie/Everett.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION - SUE LONG-HOSEK – 15 YEARS

Mayor Pro Tem Dorow presented a plaque of appreciation to Dispatcher Sue Long-Hosek for 15 years of dedicated service to the City of Othello.

CHANGE ORDER #13.2 – 14TH AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

City Administrator Wade Farris advised that there are 3 properties adjacent to 14th Avenue whose existing infrastructure encroach in City right-of-way and into the limits of the 14th Avenue Improvements Project. Change Order #13.2 is a progress payment of \$8,168.28, which covers the remaining 40% of the landscaping work.

Council carried a motion to approve Change Order #13.2 for the 14th Avenue Improvements Project. M/S Everett/McCourtie.

CHANGE ORDER #16 – 14TH AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

City Administrator Wade Farris reported that the contractor for the 14th Avenue had requested 3 additional contract days to complete the concrete curbing and conduits for future street lighting.

He advised that the proposed change order does not change the contract price.

Council carried a motion to approve Change Order #16 for the 14th Avenue Improvements Project. M/S Bain/Snyder.

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Councilmember Snyder nominated Councilmember Dorow to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. Seconded by Councilmember Bain.

Councilmember Snyder and Councilmember Bain agreed to remove the previous motion.

Councilmember McCourtie made a motion to table this discussion to another meeting. Councilmember McCourtie removed his motion. There was no second to this motion.

Councilmember Snyder nominated Councilmember Dorow to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for a period of one year. Seconded by Councilmember Bain. Motion carried.

TEAMSTERS SERGEANTS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Police Chief Schenck advised that the City recently completed negotiations with the Teamsters Union for a 3 year contract with the Sergeants. This Agreement is effective January 1st, 2017 to December 31st, 2019. He advised that the union agreements were negotiated by him and the City Administrator. He gave a brief report on some of the new terms in the agreement. He explained he completed a wage study on Sergeant and Officer salaries to find if our wages are comparable to all cities in Washington State. Mayor Pro Tem Dorow advised the City used the interest based bargaining process and the Chief did a fantastic job. Councilmember McCourtie acknowledged the process was fair for the Officers and the City. Chief Schenck advised the agreement includes 2% annual increases.

Council carried a motion to approve the 3 year agreement with the Police Sergeants. M/S Snyder/Everett.

TEAMSTERS DISPATCH AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Police Chief Schenck advised that the City recently completed negotiations with the Teamsters Union for a 3 year contract with Support & Limited Commissioned Staff (Police Dispatch and Code Enforcement). It includes 2% annual salary increase. This Agreement is effective January 1st, 2017 to December 31st, 2019. He gave a brief report on some of the new terms in the agreement. Mr. Farris noted one of their goals with all of the bargaining units was to retain our employees.

Council carried a motion to approve the 3 year agreement with the Support & Limited Commissioned Staff. M/S McCourtie/Everett.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Police Chief Schenck advised that the City also completed negotiations with the Fraternal Order of Police; Police Line Officers for a new, 3 year contract. The terms have been agreed by the City and the Fraternal Order of Police. He gave a brief report on some of the new terms in the agreement. Finance Officer Williams advised the biggest impact to the budget is the 2% annual increase.

Council carried a motion to approve the 3 year agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police, Police Line Officers. M/S Bain/Snyder.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Pro Tem Dorow adjourned the Council meeting at 7:05 p.m.

By: _____
GENNA DOROW, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

By: _____
DEBBIE KUDRNA, City Clerk