

City of Othello  
Regular Council Meeting  
March 28, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Shawn Logan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present:** Mayor Shawn Logan; Councilmembers: Eugene Bain, Genna Dorow, Corey Everett, Angel Garza, Larry McCourtie, John Lallas, and Mark Snyder.

**Also Present:** City Administrator Wade Farris; Department Heads: Public Works Director Terry Clements, Police Chief Phil Schenck, Community Development Director Travis Goddard, City Clerk Debbie Kudrna, Finance Officer Spencer Williams and City Attorney Roger Reed.

**CITIZEN INPUT**

There was none.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council carried a motion to approve the agenda. M/S Lallas/Bain.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of March 14, 2016
- B. Approval of 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. 46474 to No. 46526 in the amount of \$129,818.93.

Accounts Payable Check No. 46527 to No. 46527 in the amount of \$5,906.34.

Accounts Payable Check No. 5268 to No. 5271 in the amount of \$134.36.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING THE CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Mayor Logan opened the public hearing at 6:32 p.m. Community Development Director Travis Goddard reviewed minor changes he made to the comprehensive plan since the Council's last review. Mayor Logan asked for questions and statements. He advised that this was one of the main projects given to Travis Goddard when he was hired and thanked him for his work and those that contributed to the comprehensive plan. Councilmember Everett asked for clarification of a statement in the plan relevant to requesting city utility services and annexing existing water distribution systems. Mr. Goddard advised that the comprehensive plan provides that it's the Council's discretion to set criteria and policy for infrastructure developments in the County requesting city water and/or sewer services. Councilmember Everett stated that there is a statement in the comprehensive plan that our lagoons are near capacity. He said that the Council was recently advised by the city engineers that our sewer system is less than 50% of capacity. Mr. Goddard advised that the statement in the comprehensive plan was written before the engineers estimate and there is another section of the comprehensive plan which provides that the City acknowledges that we will have to do a sewer capacity study and evaluation of the sewer facility.

Councilmember Garza noted that a section of the light industrial section on the north side of the city seems large in depth (going south from Lee Road) and he stated that he believes we need more residential property in that area. Mr. Goddard noted this is currently designated as open space and can be zoned appropriately when developed.

Mayor Logan asked for public testimony in support of the comprehensive plan update. There was none. Mayor Logan asked for public testimony who are neutral of the comprehensive plan update. There was none. He asked for public testimony from those in opposition to this comprehensive plan update. There was none. Mayor Logan closed the public input.

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Council carried a motion to approve the City's comprehensive plan and to update the wastewater statement when the sewer study is complete. M/S Lallas/McCourtie.

Mayor Logan closed the public hearing at 6:58 p.m.

**RESOLUTION TO SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**

Police Chief Schenck asked the Council to surplus old laptop computers in the police department. The hard drives will be wiped clean and they will try to sell them online.

Council carried a motion to approve the Resolution to surplus equipment. M/S Dorow/Everett. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2016-02.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND OMC 1.20 TITLED CODE COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT**

Police Chief Schenck presented an ordinance, which includes two minor corrections found in Ordinance No. 1465 regarding code enforcement.

Council carried a motion to approve the ordinance AMENDING OTHELLO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 1.20.020 (i) AND 1.20.110 (f) OF CHAPTER 1.20 TITLED "CODE COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT. M/S Dorow/McCourtie. This shall be known as Ordinance No. 1468.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mayor Logan announced that the Transportation Board District Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and will be held at the Reichert's Showhouse.

Councilmember McCourtie stated that the article that Mr. Farris wrote on Proposition #1 for The Othello Outlook was well written.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Logan made the following announcements:

- The Council needs to file their Public Disclosure forms by April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The City has hired Amy Hurlbut as the new Park and Recreation Coordinator.
- Stan Anderton is retiring and we are holding interviews for the IT position on Tuesday.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Logan announced the Council will be adjourning into an executive session regarding litigation at 7:05 p.m. and the executive session will be approximately 20 minutes and he expects they will not take any action after the executive session. Also in attendance were City Administrator Wade Farris and City Attorney Roger Reed. The City Administrator announced at 7:25 that the executive session would continue for an additional 10 minutes. The City Administrator announced at 7:38 that the executive session would continue for an additional 5 minutes.

Mayor Logan reconvened the council meeting at 7:43 p.m. He advised that they are not taking any action at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 7:44 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
SHAWN LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
DEBBIE KUDRNA, City Clerk