

City of Othello  
Regular Council Meeting  
April 14, 2014

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Shawn Logan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Councilmember Bain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also Present: City Administrator Wade Farris; Department Heads: Public Works Director Terry Clements, Interim Police Chief David Rehaume; City Clerk Debbie Kudrna, Finance Officer Spencer Williams, and City Attorney Katherine Kenison.

Absent Was: Councilmembers Dan Dever and Kenneth Johnson.

Council carried a motion to excuse Councilmembers Dan Dever and Kenneth Johnson. M/S Dorow/Bain.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council carried a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Snyder/Dorow.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of March 24, 2014
- B. Approval of City Council Workshop Minutes of April 7, 2014
- C. Approval of Payroll and Related Expenses
- D. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks
- E. RFP – Digital Recording Software
- F. Department of Corrections Work Contract

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. 43814 to No. 43814 in the amount of \$238,470.47.

Accounts Payable Check No. 43815 to No. 43888 in the amount of \$295,241.62.

Payroll and Related Expenses Check No. 28732 to No. 28767 in the amount of \$284,294.19.

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

**SWEARING IN – OFFICER MCFARLANE AND OFFICER ROBERTSON**

Interim Police Chief Dave Rehaume administered the swearing in for new Police Officer McFarlane and Police Officer Robertson.

**CITIZEN INPUT**

Kaleb Booth, Farmers Electric in Othello, asked if a new ordinance can be considered in regards to people rummaging in other people's garbage can. They have had burglaries at their business and people are stealing items they find in their dumpsters. He also believes these people are also scoping out the buildings. He is concerned of safety, litter and identity theft for our community. City Attorney Kenison advised that our current ordinances prohibit anyone other than the property owner, city employees and the garbage collector to interfere with garbage, once it's put into containers. If the containers are on private property, it could be trespassing; if the containers are in public right of way, it could be a civil infraction for violating the code. With our current contract with Consolidated Disposal, they have exclusive right to collection of any solid waste.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR 2015-2020**

Mayor Logan opened the public hearing at 7:16 p.m. Public Works Director Terry Clements advised that Council is to consider an annual six year transportation improvement program. He explained that our projects have to be on the six year program to be considered for Federal or State funding. The only change to the current program is the addition of the city walk path. Mayor

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Logan asked for public comments. There was none. Mayor Logan asked for Council comments. There was none. Mayor Logan closed the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR 2015-2020**  
Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF OTHELLO'S SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE YEARS 2015-2020. M/S Dorow/Bain. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2014-02.

**CONSOLIDATED DISPOSAL SERVICES, INC. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**  
Councilmember Everett recused himself from the discussion regarding Consolidated Disposal Services, because he is an employee of the company.

City Administrator Wade Farris reported that staff and the solid waste council committee recommends a 3-year contract extension to Consolidated Disposal Services, Inc. (CDSI) solid waste collection. The proposal includes a 3.45% increase by CDSI. CDSI has proposed yard waste and recycling as an option. The committee recommends that the recycling services be delayed at this time and be discussed later and to consider a 3 year extension. Councilmember Snyder noted that in the last 15 years, the rates from CDSI have increased very little. Finance Officer Williams explained that the City's solid waste rates have not increased since 2006 and we will continue to assess the revenues to assure our costs are being paid. Councilmember Lallas asked if we could survey our citizens whether it would be beneficial to have yard waste collection. Council's consensus was for staff to proceed the discussions with CDSI.

**TEAMSTERS AGREEMENTS – SERGEANTS AND DISPATCHERS**  
City Administrator Wade Farris advised that the City recently completed negotiations with the Teamsters Union for a new, 3 year contract with our Police Sergeants and Dispatchers. Negotiations included a review of salaries.

Council carried a motion to approve the new, 3 year contracts with the Othello Police Sergeants and Dispatchers. M/S Dorow/Lallas.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF CITY PROPERTY – THE COMPASSION EXPERIENCE | CHANGE THE STORY**

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Molly Klippert explained that they received a request for use of City property from Pastor Nan Riddle on behalf of the Othello Christian Church. In summary, the Othello Christian Church has requested to host Compassion International's Experience | Change the Story presentation on the City owned gravel lot on 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Pine Street. The setup will start on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.; presentations Saturday through Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> through June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and clean up on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The mobile presentation has two expandable tractor-trailers that will join together for a 120' X 60' area. They require no electricity and set up, tear down, and security will be provided by the tour staff, as well as volunteers. Due to the estimated attendance of 150-500 people throughout the presentation, the Othello Christian Church will be invoiced \$200 for the Special Event Fee for use of City property. City Attorney Kenison asked that recital #4 be stricken from the Resolution.

Council approved A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR THE COMPASSION EXPERIENCE CHANGE THE STORY PRESENTATION SCHEDULED FOR MAY 30, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 3, 2014, as amended. M/S Snyder/Everett. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2014-03.

**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

City Clerk Debbie Kudrna reported that the City of Othello entered into an annual agreement in 2013 with The Othello Outlook, as the official newspaper, which expires May 1, 2014. We called for bids and received one bid as follows:

**The Othello Outlook \$8.10 per single column inch**

Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OTHELLO OUTLOOK AS THE CITY'S OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER. M/S Dorow/Lallas. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2014-04.

**RESOLUTION TO RE-ESTABLISH PETTY CASH/CHANGE FUNDS**

Finance Officer Spencer Williams explained that the current petty cash resolution did not include the \$1,000 drug buy money. The resolution lists all of the petty cash/change funds for the City.

Council carried a motion to approve a RESOLUTION TO RE-ESTABLISH PETTY CASH/CHANGE FUNDS. M/S Snyder/Lallas. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2014-05.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Staff advised that the first Little League games were today and opening day is April 26<sup>th</sup>. Parks and Recreation Coordinator Molly Klippert explained that Fred Calzadillas was very involved in softball and baseball in Othello. Friends of the family have raised money to purchase a plaque in remembrance of Mr. Calzadillas to be erected in the Lions Park ball fields.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Logan advised that Council will now adjourn at 7:47 to go into an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) (i) "To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency." The executive session is expected to last 30 minutes. No action will be taken during the executive session. Also present in the executive session were City Administrator Wade Farris, City Attorney Kenison and Public Works Director Terry Clements. At 8:18 p.m. Attorney Kenison advised that they needed an additional 10 minutes. Mayor Logan reconvened the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 8:41 p.m.

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

ATTEST:

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