

City of Othello
Regular Council Meeting
April 25, 2011

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Tim Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Tim Wilson; Councilmembers: Ken Caylor, Dan Dever, Genna Dorow, Charles Garcia, Kenneth Johnson, and Mark Snyder.

Also Present: City Administrator Ehman Sheldon; Department Heads: Finance Officer Mike Bailey, Police Chief Steven Dunnagan, Public Work Supervisor Terry Clements, City Clerk Debbie Kudrna; and City Attorney Katherine Kenison.

Absent Was: Councilmember Marc Spohr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council carried a motion to approve the agenda. M/S Snyder/Dever.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of April 11, 2011
- 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 Checks for heck No. 39670 to No. 39716 in the amount of \$139,366.40. Council carried a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. M/S Garcia/Caylor.

COLUMBIA STREET STORM WATER AWARD

Public Works Supervisor Terry Clements explained that this project is an extension of the storm sewer from 7th to 3rd Avenue. This will convert the Olsen Homes development and other adjacent projects to the City drainage system and retention pond located north of the Hwy 26 over pass.

Bids were called and received as follows:

Chris' Excavation, Inc.	\$ 86,973.14	Pegram Construction, Inc.	\$ 92,064.65
Joe's Excavation, Inc.	\$106,951.49	Jahn's Pipe Construction, Inc.	\$124,555.05
*Engineer's Estimate	\$103,392.00		

City Administrator Ehman Sheldon advised there were no funds appropriated for this project. Finance Officer Mike Bailey recommended funding from the real estate excise tax fund #135.

Council carried a motion to award the Columbia Street Storm Water contract to Chris' Excavation in the amount of \$86,973.14, with funding to come from Fund 135 Real Estate Excise Tax. M/S Johnson/Dever.

BALLFIELD LIGHTING CHANGE ORDER #1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,261.70

Public Works Supervisor Terry Clements reported that the original ballfield lighting contract did not include the relocation of the light poles on the southeast field. The change order will relocate the poles 35', which will increase that field to 300', as requested by the men's softball league.

Council carried a motion to approve Change Order #1 to the Lions and Kiwanis Park Lighting Improvement project in the amount of \$2,261.70 to Prater Electric. M/S Dorow/Garcia.

BALLFIELD FENCE EXTENSION CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,424

Public Works Supervisor Terry Clements reported that a contract was necessary to extend the ball field fence 28 feet to match the light pole relocation. The lighting contractor, Prater Electric does not perform fence work, therefore the small works roster process was used and bids were received as follows:

North Central Washington Fence	\$11,424.81		
Tri City Fence	\$16,548.54	Frontier Fence	\$12,959.54

Councilmember Caylor noted that work was performed prior to acceptance by the Council.

Council carried a motion to approve the contract with North Central Washington Fence in the amount of \$11,424.81. M/S Garcia/Dorow.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR A MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

City Clerk Debbie Kudrna reported that we received a written request from radio station 92.5 for use of Lions Park for a Mother's Day celebration, scheduled for Saturday, May 14th. Staff met with two representatives from the radio station and discussed their plans. They are planning vendors, children's activities, raffles, food, a DJ and live bands. Their event will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and it is open to the public. Public Works will have two employees working that day to help with park issues and one employee the following day working with the Department of Corrections crew. Because the radio station is a registered business, they are responsible to provide the extra porta potties and will have to purchase a city business license. Estimated City costs include \$900 for public works employees; costs for DOC to work the following day; and approximately \$200 for landfill fees.

Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR THE MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2011. M/S This shall be known as Resolution No. 2011-07.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR THE PATRIOT'S DAY ACTIVITIES

City Clerk Debbie Kudrna reported that staff met with the Chamber President, Janelle Anderson and discussed their plans for the 4th of July Patriot's Day activities, scheduled for Monday, July 4th. They are planning a parade, Run for America, Rotary Breakfast, flag raising, vendors, children's activities, family entertainment, food, music and the fireworks. Public Works will have 2 employees working that day to help with park issues. Staff will review the parade application and the Chamber will coordinate with public works and the police department on the parade and run. Estimated costs include \$750 for public works employees, \$500 for porta potties and approximately \$200 for landfill fees.

Chamber President Janelle Anderson explained that the event title was changed to 4th of July Patriot's Day last year resulting from citizen input and then was thoroughly deliberated by the Chamber's Board. They have received approval for a military fly over and there will be a M.A.S.H. tent set up where veterans will be speaking and sharing stories.

Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF CITY PROPERTY AND PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE PATRIOT'S DAY ACTIVITIES, TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 4, 2011. M/S Dever/Snyder. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2011-08.

EXTRA TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT FOR SEWER SERVICES – ROY HALL

City Clerk Debbie Kudrna reported that several sewer utility agreements were entered into from 1983 through 1986 to a development known as Meadow Lane. This property is located on W. Cunningham Road and is within the City's urban services area. She presented a new extra territorial utility extension agreement to continue sewer services to property owned by Mr. Roy Hall. Mr. Hall's property is on a community well and is located within the Meadow Lane property. Not every property within the Meadow Lane Water Association is on City sewer services; only those properties where their sewer system was failing. Mr. Hall's original agreement was approved in 1986 and expires this year. Most of the homes within Meadow Lane have been connected to the City's sewer system for 25 years or more, so this is not a new impact to our system. The engineer's estimate for a normal household is 120 gallons of discharge per day, per person.

Council carried a motion to approve the Extra Territorial Utility Extension agreement, covenant running with the land, and Power of Attorney with Mr. L. Roy Hall. M/S Dorow/Garcia.

EXTENSION OF WATER AGREEMENT – GENTRY QUALITY HOMES, LLC

City Administrator Ehman Sheldon advised that in 2008 Don Gentry of Gentry Quality Homes, LLC gained approval for city water services outside the city limits. In March 2010, Council authorized a one year extension to the extra territorial agreement, which will expire July 10, 2011. Mr. Gentry is now requesting an additional six months in order to finalize his plat prior to installing water infrastructure. Councilmember Caylor noted that this agreement is for city water services only.

Council carried a motion to approve the six month extension to the original Extra Territorial agreement with Gentry Quality Homes, LLC. M/S Caylor/Dever.

CONSIDERATION OF TEAMSTERS AGREEMENT – SERGEANTS

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City Administrator Ehman Sheldon explained that the City Negotiating Committee has been negotiating the three Teamster contracts (Dispatch, Line Officers, and Sergeants). He noted that we are in mediation with the line officers. The following items have been agreed upon for 2011: no wage increase, the City will pay for medical, and is all retroactive to January 1, 2011. For 2012 and 2013 the City will split any medical increase on a 50/50 basis and an increase in wages by the All Cities West CPI with a range of .75% - 2.5%. The budget impact for the Sergeants would be \$4,680.

Council carried a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Sergeants, as presented. M/S Garcia/Johnson.

CONSIDERATION OF TEAMSTERS AGREEMENT – DISPATCHERS

City Administrator Ehman Sheldon explained that the City Negotiating Committee has negotiated the Dispatchers agreement. The following items have been agreed upon for 2011: no wage increase, the City will pay for medical, and is all retroactive to January 1, 2011. For 2012 and 2013 the City will split any medical increase on a 50/50 basis and an increase in wages by the All Cities West CPI with a range of .75% - 2.5%. The budget impact for the Dispatchers would be \$18,720.

Council carried a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Dispatchers, as presented. M/S Dever/Garcia.

CONSIDERATION OF NONUNION CITY PAID INSURANCE

Mayor Tim Wilson explained that he would like the nonunion employees receive the same benefits as union members. The budget impact for the nonunion employees would be \$32,760.

Council carried a motion to increase benefits per the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Dispatchers and Sergeants for 2011-2013 for all nonunion employees. M/S Caylor/Garcia.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND OMC 9.36.010 REGARDING DESIGNATED TRUCK ROUTES

City Administrator Ehman Sheldon reported that Main Street is currently identified as a truck route. He presented a proposed ordinance, which would restrict truck traffic on Main Street to local deliveries only. This will prolong the life of the new Main Street paving. He explained that the ordinance would allow truck traffic on west Main Street and on the section Cunningham Road, east of Hwy 17 that is within the city limits. He advised that if Council adopts the ordinance, a second letter will be sent out to the trucking industry to advise them of the changes, the Police Department will begin an education program, and new traffic signs have been ordered. Councilmember Johnson advised that the ordinance still designates Columbia, Wahluke, Royal and Scooteney Streets as truck routes. He was concerned about eliminating truck parking on Columbia Street because there is a business that uses that street for loading. Mr. Sheldon advised that staff has a meeting with the Department of Transportation to discuss those areas and changes may be recommended later.

Council carried a motion to adopt AN ORDINANCE AMENDING OTHELLO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9.36.010 TITLED “DESIGNATED” REGARDING DESIGNATED TRUCK ROUTES. M/S Dorow/Johnson. This shall be known as Ordinance No. 1343.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Wilson read the Proclamation Declaring National Day of Prayer, and announced that the Council Scholarship Committee needs to review the applications by the end of the week.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Wilson adjourned the Council meeting at 7:41 p.m.

By: _____
TIM WILSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
DEBBIE L. KUDRNA, City Clerk