

City of Othello  
Regular Council Meeting  
June 8, 2009

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

Present: Mayor Shannon McKay, Councilmembers: Eleanor Brodahl, Ken Caylor, Dan Dever, Kenneth Johnson, Mark Snyder, Marc Spohr, and Tim Wilson.

Also Present: City Administrator Ehman Sheldon; Department Heads: Mike Bailey, Debbie Kudrna, and Jay Van Ness; and City Attorney James Whitaker.

**APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of May 26, 2009
- B. Approval of City Council Workshop of June 1, 2009
- C. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks
- D. Approval of Payroll for May 2009
- E. Set Public Hearing on the CDBG Planning Only Grant Application for the Plan for Maintaining Adequate Capacity (PMAC) for Monday, June 22, 2009
- F. Resolution to Authorize Sun Faire events of 4<sup>th</sup> of July
- G. Resolution to Authorize Use of Lions Park for Community Worship Service

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.

Expense Claim Check No. 36769 to No. 36830 in the amount of \$ 160,103.42.  
Payroll Check No. 25796 to No. 25845 in the amount of \$ 232,557.22.

Mr. Sheldon advised that the City appropriated \$2500 for the fireworks.

Council carried a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. M/S Johnson/Brodahl.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 6-YEAR STREET PLAN**

Mayor McKay opened the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m. Municipal Services Coordinator Jay Van Ness reported that the six year street transportation plan is to be reviewed, revised, and adopted annually by the Council, and continued with an overview of the projects. He asked that three items be removed from the draft plan: 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave right-of-way, SR 26 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Overpass, and 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue construction. Mayor McKay asked for public comments; there were none. Mayor McKay asked for Council comments. Councilmember Johnson asked if the SR 26 and 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue upgrade should be stricken since the project is currently being done, and the intersection at SR 26 and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue because the State will not allow it. He noted that an overpass at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and SR 26 would tie into future development. Mayor McKay closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 6-YEAR STREET PLAN FOR 2010-2015**

Council carried a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF OTHELLO'S SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE YEARS 2010-2015. M/S Snyder/Caylor. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2009-10.

**WELL #6 STATUS REPORT**

Municipal Services Coordinator Jay Van Ness reported that Well #6 is online and ready to go. Staff will submit a plan within 30 days regarding rehabilitation of Well #6 to the Department of Ecology. It will include the findings on the video of the well with a recommendation regarding plugging the areas with high levels of fluoride. We submitted a grant application in the amount of \$310,000 today with the Community of Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the well rehabilitation project.

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The rehabilitation project is dependent on the Department of Ecology's approval of the plan. Mr. Sheldon advised that the emphasis is to get a response back from the State and repair Well #6 this fall.

**WELL #4 AGREEMENT**

Municipal Services Coordinator Jay Van Ness reported that Well #4 experienced a failure on May 16<sup>th</sup>. It was determined that the motor is pulling a high amount of amps and making noise. Public Works requested proposals for the work and received only one estimate from Schneider Equipment in the amount of \$15,941.75. Well #4 has a submersible pump that was installed two years ago. The proposal from Schneider includes mobilization; set up; pulling the pump; determining the issues; providing an estimate for repairs; and replacement of the pump. He reported we are not in an emergency situation at this time. Councilmember Caylor asked if since we installed the submersible pump, did it take care of the draw-down issue? Mr. Van Ness stated that it's more useable.

Council carried a motion to approve the agreement with Schneider Equipment for the work on Well #4. Caylor/Johnson. Mr. Van Ness reported that Schneider will begin Wednesday and they plan to have the pump out by Friday.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilmember Spohr stated that a citizen reported excessive noise from a park shelter in Kiwanis Park. He asked that the Police Department follow through with noise enforcement. There was a discussion regarding various potholes in the City; Public Works will look into them. Councilmember Caylor asked if there are plans for benches along the walking path. Mr. Sheldon stated that the plan is to work with the Hospital to put benches and workout stations along the path way.

Mayor McKay made the following announcements:

- The pool opens this Saturday.
- As a result of the flash flood this weekend, Public Works will start a street sweeping program tomorrow.
- There will be delegates from Africa visiting Othello August 15<sup>th</sup> through August 21<sup>st</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, Mayor McKay adjourned the Council meeting at 7:29 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
SHANNON MCKAY, Mayor

ATTEST:

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