

City of Othello
Regular Council Meeting
June 11, 2012

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: Eugene Bain, 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, Public Works Director Terry Clements, Police Chief Steven Dunnagan, Parks and Recreation Coordinator Molly Klippert, City Clerk Debbie Kudrna; and City Attorney Katherine Kenison.

CITIZEN INPUT

Mayor Wilson advised that the Park committee will be addressing porta potties in the park and bouncy toys in the park.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of May 28, 2012.
- B. Approval of City Council Workshop Minutes of June 4, 2012.
- C. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks
- D. Approval of Payroll and Related Expenses

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. 41205 to No. 41273 in the amount of \$206,678.49.
Payroll Check No. 27768 to No. 27807 in the amount of \$255,089.85.

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

1ST AVENUE STAGE 2 - PRELIMINARY SIGNING/ILLUMINATION

Bob Romine from the Department of Transportation (DOT) updated the Council on the design concept of the SR 26 and 1st Avenue intersection project. The proposed cantilever signs are to help redirect motorists. Mr. Romine reported that their plans are to change Columbia and Wahluke Streets into one way streets. There are concerns of how to delineate the one way streets and their solution is to stripe the streets and maintain parking for the adjacent businesses. Mayor Wilson advised that the City's storm drain system at the corner of Columbia and /Broadway tends to flood. Public Works Director Terry Clements noted that they would like to move the storm drain at this intersection. Mr. Romine stated that if the DOT project is not impacting it or it's a pre-existing condition, there is no funding available for additional work. Mr. Clements also stated that they would like to move the 18' water line at Columbia and 1st Avenue. Mr. Romine stated that would be the City's responsibility and maybe a contract could be entered into for the City to pay for any additional work. Mr. Romine advised that any future maintenance of the streets would be the City's responsibility. He also advised that there is a width issue with one existing access onto 1st Avenue on the northeast side of the intersection. He stated that it is a 96' width access and asked that the access be reduced down to the City's standard of 40'. They have funding for this work. Council agreed to this access change.

CONSIDERATION OF SWIM TEAM CONTRACT

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Molly Klippert advised that the pool committee has discussed the 2012 contract with the Barracudas Swim Team and recommend a fee of \$44 per practice and \$130 per swim meet.

Council carried a motion to approve the swim team contact. M/S Garcia/Dorow.

ACCEPTANCE OF SCOOTNEY STREET REVISION

Police Chief Dunnagan explained that a traffic study is completed for the 7th Avenue Scooteny Street intersection and it is recommended that the intersection be changed to a full four way stop. They also recommend elimination of the free right hand turn and removal of the intersection island. It is estimated to cost \$247 to make these changes.

Council carried a motion to accept the redesign concept for the intersection at S. 7th Avenue and Scooteny Street, according to the engineer's recommendation and the cost to be paid from Public Works. M/S Caylor/Dever.

COYOTE RIDGE WORK CREW AGREEMENT

Public Works Director Terry Clements presented the new annual contract for the Department of Corrections Coyote Ridge work crew. The hourly rate is \$1.45 per hour and \$0.485 per mile for travel. The Coyote Ridge crew is supervised by their Guard.

Council carried a motion to accept the agreement with Coyote Ridge for another year of service. M/S Johnson/Dever.

SURPLUS PROPERTY POLICY AND PROCEDURE

City Attorney Katherine Kenison presented a surplus property policy, which creates the procedures and options for staff to follow to surplus equipment.

Council carried a motion to approve the surplus property policy. M/S Dorow/Garcia.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 6-YEAR STREET PLAN

Public Works Director Terry Clements reported that Council reviewed the 6-year street plan at the workshop.

Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF OTHELLO'S SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE YEARS 2013-2018. M/S Dorow/Caylor. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2012-13.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF CITY PROPERTY FOR 4TH OF JULY

Parks and Recreation Coordinator Molly Klippert reported on the 4th of July celebration activities. Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF CITY PROPERTY AND PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION, TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2012. M/S Snyder/Garcia. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2012-14.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Wilson made the following announcement:

- The regional Adams County Mayors luncheon is Wednesday, June 13th at the Othello Senior Center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PROPERTY PURCHASE

Mayor Wilson announced that the Council was going to adjourn into an Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) (b) to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase. The executive session is expected to last 25 minutes. No action will be taken during the executive session. City Administrator Ehman Sheldon and City Attorney Kenison were in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Mayor Wilson announced that the Council was going to adjourn into an Executive Session at 7:35 pm 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

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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. City Administrator Ehman Sheldon and City Attorney Kenison were in attendance.

Mayor Wilson reconvened the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Council carried a motion to declare an emergency for Well #6 and authorized staff to hire Schneider Equipment. M/S Dorow/Dever.

Councilmember Garcia advised he would like to be excused for the June 25th meeting. Councilmember Snyder advised he would like to be excused for the July 2nd meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Wilson adjourned the Council meeting at 8:28 p.m.

By: _____
TIM WILSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
DEBBIE L. KUDRNA, City Clerk