

City of Othello
Regular Council Meeting
July 24, 2000

Mayor E R Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Leonard Lyon, Eleanor Brodahl, Les Clemons, Everett Cole, Jeannie Ochoa and Kenneth Johnson. Absent was Donald Derifield. Also present were: Curt Andrews, Debra Travis, Debbie Kudrna and Reuel Klempel, City Department Heads; William Shaw, City Administrator; and James Whitaker, City Attorney.

Council Member Jeannie Ochoa led the opening invocation and Mayor Kelley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN INPUT

Citizen Gayle Floyd, 315 E Cedar Street, voiced a complaint against the Police Department and Animal Control Officer. Mayor Kelley stated that he would take her concern under advisement and would research the matter and will call her back regarding this incident.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Kelley asked that Agenda Item #7, Award Bid for Dump Truck, be postponed at this time. Council carried a motion to approve the agenda with the deletion of agenda item #7. M/S Clemons/Cole.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Minutes of July 10, 2000

Council carried a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. M/S Johnson/Clemons.

ACCEPT PETITION TO ANNEX SUBMITTED BY PETER J. TAGGARES & JANET TAGGARES

City Planner, Curt Andrews stated that staff had assumed that Peter J. Taggares and Janet Taggares had signed the original petition. Upon confirmation from the Assessor's Office and the Taggares Office, it has been determined that Peter John Taggares III and Sandra K. Taggares signed the petition. The Adams County Assessor's Office had determined the sufficiency of the petition that Peter John Taggares III and Sandra K. Taggares were legal owners of at least 60% of the property included in the petition. The remainder of the property is assessed to the P.J. Taggares Estate.

Council carried a motion to accept the legally sufficient petition filed by Peter John Taggares III and Sandra K. Taggares as presented. M/S Ochoa/Johnson.

SET PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ZONING AND PETITION TO ANNEX FOR AUGUST 28, 2000, 7:00 P.M.

Council carried a motion to set the Public Hearing to discuss the zoning and petition to annex, submitted by Peter J. Taggares III and Sandra K. Taggares, for the Council Meeting on August 28, 2000 shortly after 7:00 p.m. M/S Ochoa/Cole.

EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH TEE PEE SEPTIC

City Administrator, Bill Shaw noted that the Council had authorized a 15-month agreement with Tee Pee Septic for disposal of effluent pumped from septic tanks into the City sanitary sewer system. He noted that Tee Pee Septic is in the process of obtaining proper permits for land application. The Council received a request from Tee Pee Septic, Inc.,

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signed by Tammy McCourtie, requesting a 3-month extension to the current agreement with the City to continue dumping into the City sewer system.

Council carried a motion to approve the execution of the Extension of Agreement between the City of Othello and Tee Pee Septic regarding disposal of residential and commercial waste into the City sanitary sewer system to November 30, 2000. M/S Cole/Clemons.

RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT WITH ADAMS COUNTY FOR SIG FUNDING

Finance Officer, Debra Travis reported that the local Boys and Girls Club of the Columbia Basin has been a very successful program. The federal funding obtained to operate the Boys and Girls Club is sent through Washington State; channeled through Adams County Counseling Services, Drug, Alcohol and Substance Abuse Division Center; subcontracted to the City of Othello and then passed to the Boys and Girls Club of the Columbia Basin. Ms Travis noted that there has been an increase of approximately \$12,000.00 in SIG Grant funding to be used for the program and the committee is looking at continuation programs, grants and other sponsors to help with continued costs.

Council carried a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement for the State Incentive Grant subcontract with Adams County. M/S Clemons/Cole.

AWARD BID FOR ASH STREET RESERVOIR INTERIOR RE-COATING PROJECT

Bid opening for the Ash Street Reservoir Interior Re-coating Project was held on July 6th, 2000, 3:00 p.m. with the following bids submitted:

1. Wilbur Fletcher, Inc.:	\$85,111.60
2. Long Painting Company:	\$93,499.02
3. Coatings Unlimited, Inc.:	\$116,746.00
4. S & K Painting, Inc.:	\$118,037.20
5. S & S Coating:	\$131,293.52

Mr. Shaw reported that the Engineer's estimate was \$96,893.80 and the City Engineers, Anderson-Perry and Associates recommend the bid award to Wilbur Fletcher, Inc.

Council carried a motion to award the bid for the Ash Street Reservoir Interior Re-coating Project to Wilbur Fletcher, Inc. in the amount of \$85,111.60.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY – FIESTA AMISTAD

Council Member Kenneth Johnson reported that the Fiesta Amistad Committee has requested a Fireworks Permit for a short fireworks display to conclude their festivities scheduled for Saturday, August 12th, 2000. He noted that the permit is not 100% completed and requested approval of the permit, contingent upon their meeting all of the criteria set in the City's ordinance regarding the permit process. Mr. Johnson noted that there may be some changes to the permitting process, which may make it necessary to change the location of the firing of the fireworks. The current company's insurance regulations may not allow fireworks to be ignited in areas where there are buildings. This will be discussed further with the Chamber for next year's events.

Council carried a motion to approve the fireworks permit, submitted by the Chamber of Commerce, for the Fiesta Amistad to conduct the fireworks display on Saturday, August 12th, 2000 in Lions Park. This is conditioned upon the fact that all criteria is met and approved by Kenneth Johnson; also conditioned upon the fact that a Fire Suppression Crew is present at the location prior to and during the firing of any fireworks. In case of

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inclement weather, the permit may be extended to Sunday, August 13th, 2000. M/S Lyon/Ochoa.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Kelley announced that a Planning Commission Member is still needed to fill the unexpired term left by Brad Risenmay, which expires January, 2001.

Curt Andrews submitted a draft copy of the letter of understanding between Adams County, City of Othello, United States Bureau of Reclamation and the East Columbia Basin Irrigation District. It deals with the use of the water that is pumped from Rodeo Lake and requests that the Bureau and Irrigation District not claim the water until it flows to the west side of Thacker road. Mr. Andrews stated that Rodeo Lake Chairman; Shawn Logan is discussing this letter of understanding with the Bureau and the Irrigation District. He noted that this would help with the long-term planning for the Rodeo Lake area.

City Administrator Bill Shaw presented a chart regarding the general fund revenue and expenditure projections through 2003. This chart was presented by Mr. Shaw during his presentation to the Chamber of Commerce last week and will be discussed further by the City Council during their September Workshop.

Mayor Kelley announced that he is going to extend the Open Burn Moratorium through the end of August, 2000, due to the extreme weather conditions and limited fire department personnel.

NEW BUSINESS

Curt Andrews announced that there is a short course on planning that is being offered by Adams County to all Council Members and Planning Commissions. This is scheduled for August 3rd, 2000, 6:30 p.m. at the Adams County Building. This planning course will focus on comprehensive plans and re-zoning issues. Mr. Andrews noted that Adams County will be re-zoning large areas outside of the growth area, that will eventually impact the City and he encouraged all Council Members to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Kelley adjourned the meeting of July 24th, 2000 at 7:45 p.m.

E R KELLEY, Mayor

ATTEST:

DEBBIE L KUDRNA, City Clerk