

City of Othello  
Regular Council Meeting  
August 08, 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, Mark Snyder, and Marc Spohr.

Also Present: Department Heads: Finance Officer Mike Bailey, Public Works Supervisor Terry Clements, Police Chief Steven Dunnagan, Deputy City Clerk Rebecca Dover; and City Attorney Katherine Kenison.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of July 25, 2011
- B. Approval of City Council Workshop Minutes of August 1, 2011
- C. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks for July
- 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 Checks for July Check No. 40061 to No. 40122 in the amount of \$181,856.39.  
Payroll Check No. 27310 to No. 27382 in the amount of \$289,167.93.

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

**DOT PRESENTATION RELATIVE TO 1<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE & SR 26**

Bob Romaine, from the Department of Transportation (DOT), briefly updated the Council on phase II of the SR 26/1<sup>st</sup> Avenue project. He began with issues that had been brought to his attention and explained how they will be addressed. Mr. Romaine briefed the Council with the current options to the project, noting that there are still other options being considered. He indicated that parking on Wahluke and Columbia Streets still needs to be resolved, recommending "No Parking" along those. Councilmember Dever asked if when the construction begins would it create a problem for trucks on Broadway. Mr. Romaine explained that it will be addressed. Representatives for Burger King, Lawrence Oil, and Inland Oil ('76 Quick Stop & Binger's) voiced their concerns in regards to the different options, and how the impact will affect their businesses during and after the project. Mr. Romaine stated that all of these are just options and indicated that all of their concerns will be taken into consideration. Mayor Wilson thanked everyone for their input, as the Council appreciates hearing their concerns. Mr. Romaine provided rough estimates for portions of the project and they have better projections later on. He advised that current funding is time sensitive, and reiterated the Council's request to bring back options in regards to placing a signal light at the cross roads, reducing the speed limit, and eliminating the spur access to the next Council workshop. He indicated that Mr. Sheldon will be his contact with any information in relation to the project.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF LIONS PARK – COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT**

Terry Clements presented a request from Pastor Nan Riddle for use of Lions Park for a community outreach event for Friday, September 30, 2011, hosted by the Othello Christian Church and the Pine Street Baptist Church. He explained that the City would provide porta potties and garbage services estimated at \$470.

Council carried a motion to approve A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF CITY PROPERTY- LIONS PARK FOR A COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2011. M/S Snyder/Spohr. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2011-19.

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE COLUMBIA STREET STORM SEWER PROJECT**

Mr. Larry Julius reviewed the project for installation of the storm sewer pipe and appurtenances along Columbia Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. He noted that it was done in conjunction

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with the Sagestone 7 project. Mr. Julius stated that staff is recommending acceptance of the completed project. He indicated his office supervised the project, at the request of the City.

Council carried a motion to approve a **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE COLUMBIA STREET STORM SEWER PROJECT**. M/S Caylor/Dever. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2011-20.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE USE OF LIONS PARK FOR MEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT**

Mr. Clements introduced a request from Mr. Charles Garcia for use of the Lion's Park ball fields to host the Hispanic Latino State Softball Championships on August 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011. He explained that the City would provide one employee, porta potties and garbage services estimated at \$900. Burger King questioned if a private business could sponsor it so the City doesn't have to cover the costs; Mayor Wilson advised they should contact Mr. Sheldon to work out the details.

Council carried a motion to approve **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF PROPERTY-LIONS PARK FOR A MEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2011**. M/S Dorow/Johnson. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2011-21.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Councilmember Caylor asked if the light at Broadway had been fixed. Mr. Terry Clements advised that it had been. Councilmember Spohr also asked for verification of maintenance to the lights. Mr. Julius advised that City employees have been trained; however, Mr. Berk would handle issues beyond the City's capabilities.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilmember Spohr questioned the fact of trying to go paperless indicating, that he is still receiving paper information in his folder. He also reiterate that if items aren't stamped confidential, then he believes they are public knowledge. Therefore, if it is private, it needs to be stamped confidential. Ms. Kenison confirmed that it is public record. Councilmember Spohr advised items be stamped confidential, if that is the case.

Mayor Wilson made the following announcements:

1. Mayor's luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. at the Othello Senior Center.
2. The last day the pool will be open is Saturday, August 20, 2011.
3. The ACDC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 2011 at the Othello Golf Club at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Wilson adjourned the Council meeting at 8:26

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIM WILSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
REBECCA DOVER, Deputy City Clerk