



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:00 PM – Monday, November 7, 2022

Council Chambers/GoToMeetings

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Logan called the meeting of the Othello City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. and led a silent invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Tania Morelos, City Clerk
Spencer Williams, Finance Officer
Abner Garza, IT Director
Phil Schenck, Police Chief
Dave Rehaume, Assistant Police Chief
Anne Henning, Community Development Director
Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer

CITIZEN INPUT

Jake Mendez Jr. addresses the City Council and Police Department regarding traffic safety on 1st and Scootney due to parked vehicles blocking the view of pedestrians.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:
Jonathan Erickson
Corey Everett
Mark Snyder
John Lallas
Genna Dorow
Angel Garza

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE AGENDA. M/S Snyder/Lallas

CONSENT OF AGENDA

A. Award Scootney and 14th Safety Improvements Project

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. M/S Garza/Dorow

Councilman Everett opposed.

CURRENT BUSINESS

CITY COUNCIL INTERVIEWS

The City Council conducted interviews for four candidates for the City Council member position #5. Candidates interviewed were Darryl Barnes, Odelia Linden, Alma Carmona, and Danae Valdez.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: DELIBERATIONS

Mayor Logan announced that Council will now adjourn at 7:16 pm to go into an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(g) to review the qualifications of an applicant for public employment. The Executive Session is expected to last 20 minutes. No action will be taken during the executive session.

The session was extended an additional 15 minutes. Mayor Logan reconvened the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

Council carried a motion to APPOINT DANA VALDEZ TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR THE OTHELLO CITY COUNCIL POSITION #5. M/S Lallas/Dorow

City Clerk, Tania Morelos administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Council Member, Danae Valdez.

BUDGET RETREAT

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer introduces the proposed budget and all the red zone items which will be presented by department heads.

Much discussion ensued during the budget. The meeting ran long and staff/council still had many items to discuss. Council and Mayor Logan decided to pause the discussion at 9:06pm and continue the budget retreat to the following City Council meeting on November 14th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Mayor Logan reads an email to the City Council by the Fire Chief regarding the new fire truck.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mayor Logan announces a new grant writer has been hired, Sarah Montemayor and she will begin on December 12th.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 9:09p.m.

By: 
Shawn Logan, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 
Tania Morelos, City Clerk