



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM – Monday, October 11, 2021

Council Chambers/GoToMeetings

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Logan called the meeting of the Othello City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. and led a silent invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

John Lallas
Jonathan Erickson
Corey Everett
Mark Snyder
Genna Dorow
Maria Quezada

Councilmembers Absent:

Angel Garza

Council carried a motion to EXCUSE COUNCILMAN ANGEL GARZA. M/S Lallas/Erickson

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Shawn Logan, Mayor
Tania Morelos, City Clerk
Spencer Williams, Finance Officer
Phil Schenck, Police Chief

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT OF AGENDA

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks
- B. Approval of City Council Minutes for October 4, 2021

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

CURRENT BUSINESS

LESS THAN LETHAL EQUIPMENT GRANT APPLICATION

Phil Schenck, Police Chief explains the need of the less than lethal equipment for the Police Department after the passing of the new police reform laws. Thalia Lemus, Grant Administrator asks for approval to submit a grant for the equipment by Friday.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE LESS-THAN-LETHAL GRANT APPLICATION. M/S Dorow/Lallas

PUBLIC HEARING ON ALLOCATION OF ARPA FUNDS

Mayor Logan opened the public hearing at 6:39 p.m.

Thalia Lemus, Grant Administrator presents a slideshow outlining what the City of Othello has currently proposed to use the funds on and research found on what other cities will be using their ARPA funds on.

Mayor Logan opens the public testimony portion for those in support, neutral, opposed.

Paul Resime, Treasurer for the Saddle Mountain Amateur Radio Club presents the goal and purpose of HAM radio. The question is if Othello is prepared in the case of a natural disaster. ARPA funds could be allocated to contribute to the preparation of an disastrous event in the area.

Bob Carlson expresses the City would be better off providing access to Broadband and Fiber Internet in Othello.

Mayor Logan closes the public testimony portion and close the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.

There will be a second public hearing on the allocation of ARPA funds on November 8th.

UPDATE TO BOYD REPORT

Mayor Logan gives a brief history of the City's relationship with Boyd Company, who was retained by the Adams County Development Council (ACDC) of Othello, WA, to provide independent, third-party marketing recommendations and national promotion support to help attract new business and jobs to Adams County. The Boyd Report had positive results for Adams County and staff recommends the City split costs with ACDC to keep producing results.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE \$5,166.67 FROM THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO JOIN WITH THE ACDC AND THE PORT FOR AN UPDATE TO THE BOYD REPORT. M/S Quezada/Dorow

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Reminder: Drive-by food drive fundraiser from 4:30-6:30pm at the Othello Food Bank.

NEW BUSINESS

- Adams County Fire District meeting tomorrow via zoom at 7:00 p.m.
- Final budget committee meeting tomorrow at noon.

COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE

- Building and Planning Report

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 7:30 p.m.

By:

SHAWN R. LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By:

TANIA MORELOS, CITY CLERK

