



## MINUTES

### **City Council Regular Meeting**

6:00 PM – Monday, November 12, 2024

Chambers/Zoom

#### 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

Dave Rehaume, Police Chief

Abner Garza, IT Director

Anne Henning, Community Development Director

Robin Adolphsen, City Engineer/Public Works Director

Valerie Hernandez, Park & Rec Coordinator

#### CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

#### ROLL CALL

Council members Present:

John Lallas

Corey Everett – Zoom

Genna Dorow

Darryl Barnes

Mark Snyder

Angel Garza

Danae Valdez

Council members Absent:

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

## CONSENT OF AGENDA

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- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of November 4, 2024
- B. Approval of Accounts Payables
- C. Approval of Payroll and Related Expenses

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

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. 60759 to No. 60855 in the amount of \$457,882.99.

Payroll and Related Expenses Check No. 33218 to No. 33235 in the amount of \$690,375.77.

## CURRENT BUSINESS

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### **HANDS N' PAWS REPORT**

Carmon Derting, Hands n' Paws board member presented an annual report of shelter outcomes to the city council. The agreement with Hands n Paws expires in March of 2025. The city will be negotiating a new contract and will be considering adding cats to the animal control. John Lallas, council member suggested that the city do a yearly clean-up of cats.

### **APPROVE FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FOR A CHRISTMAS MIRACLE ON MAIN STREET**

Valerie Hernandez, Park and Recreation Coordinator presents a resolution and facility use agreement between the city and the Holiday Committee to host the 6<sup>th</sup> annual A Christmas Miracle on Main Street to be held on December 7, 2024.

### **Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE FACILITY USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF OTHELLO AND THE HOLIDAY COMMITTEE FOR A CHRISTMAS MIRACLE ON MAIN STREET SPECIAL EVENT. M/S Dorow/Garza**

### **APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND ACCEPT GRANT**

Dave Rehaume, Chief of Police requests approval of the MOU with the "This Mission" the fight against human trafficking and child exploitation. The Mission wishes to grant OPD \$15,000 to assist in this fight.

### **Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANINDG WITH "THIS MISSION" and accepting the offered grant. M/S Lallas/Snyder**

### **APPROVE PURCHASE OF RAVO 5-ISERIES SWEEPER**

Robin Adolphsen, Public Works Director informed council that public works currently has a Tymco Sweeper that is nearing its end of use. The public works team has driven three comparable sweepers, and the top choice is the Ravo 5-iSeries sweeper.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE RAVO 5-Iseries sweeper in the amount of \$330,010.00. M/S Lallas/Dorow**

**APPROVE ORDINANCE ON SEWER RATES 2025-2027**

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer informs Council the sewer committee decided to propose an .5% annual increase to the current rates for the next three years.

**Council carried a motion to ADOPT ORDINANCE 1620 INCREASING SEWER RATES FOR THE YEARS 2025, 2026 AND 2027. M/S Dorow/Garza**

**BUDGET DISCUSSION 1 of 2**

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer explained the budget discussion would be a continuation of red zone items from each department, priorities, and to start making decisions which items will stay on for the 2025 budget.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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John Lallas, council member addressed the fact that only half of the decorative lights are not working. Robin Adolphsen, Public Works director stated that the GFI's that were put in are not very good and need to be reset weekly. Robin stated she would be reaching out to the suppliers of the decorative lighting poles to see what the issue is, and some are still under warranty.

John also asked for a timeline to replace the decorative poles that have been damaged.

**COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE**

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Building and Planning Report – October

Police Department Report - October

**ADJOURNMENT**

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With no further items to discuss, Mayor Shawn Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 8:00 pm.

By:  Shawn Logan, Mayor, May 26, 2024 09:05 PST

Shawn Logan, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 

Tania Morelos, City Clerk

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