



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM – Monday, August 6, 2018

Council Chambers, City Hall – 500 E Main St

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

Eugene Bain

Genna Dorow

Corey Everett

Angel Garza

Larry McCourtie

John Lallas

Councilmembers Absent:

Mark Snyder

MOVED BY ANGEL GARZA, SECONDED BY GENNA DOROW,
COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER MARK SNYDER.
CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Shawn Logan, Mayor

Rebecca P. Ozuna, City Clerk

Terry Clements, Public Works Director

Anne Henning, Community Development Director

Phil Schenck, Police Chief

CITIZEN INPUT

John Erickson, 1175 E. Cypress St., mentioned his concern item 4.4 on the agenda with regards about the Mayor becoming the City Administrator due to the fact of the possibility of losing a great Mayor and gaining a good City Administrator or not having a

City Administrator and still having a good Mayor. City Attorney mentioned to Mr. Erickson the roles that each would play based on the type of government the City of Othello which is a Council-Mayor form of government and clarified that if and when this were to happen the City would not be losing a Mayor or gaining a City Administrator, just basically that the day to day task that the City Administrator would handle at the direction of the Mayor, the Mayor will now do.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council carried a motion to approve the agenda. M/S McCourtie/Everett

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Resolution to Surplus Othello Police Department Equipment
- B. Resolution to Release Retainage for Granite Construction for 2017 Pine & 2nd Street Overlay Project

Council carried a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. M/S Dorow/Lallas

CURRENT BUSINESS

PROCLAMATION FOR SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Shawn R. Logan read the proclamation declaring August as National Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month in honor of Liam Taylor Gomez who was diagnosed with Type 1 of Spinal Muscular Atrophy and passed away at the very young age of 6 month.

UNIFIED SOCCER TEAM RECOGNITION

Mayor Shawn Logan mentioned the accomplishments that the Othello Unified Soccer team has received and presented two members of the team (Coach Colton Schmidt and Giselle Monroy) that were present with their certificates for recognition of excellence and City seal pin for winning gold at the USA Special Olympics Games in Seattle and bringing such a good honor to the City. Both Colton and Giselle stated that they learned a lot and had a great experience.

ADAMS COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND MODERATE RISK WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ADAMS COUNTY AND CITY OF OTHELLO AND ORDINANCE ACCEPTING SOLID WASTE AND MODERATE RISK WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mayor Shawn Logan commented that he met with the committee and the county board of commissioners who express their extreme urgency to have the City of Othello sign

the Interlocal Agreement with the County and also stated the County has declined to update the verbiage giving the City the option to terminate the interlocal agreement after one year. Mayor Logan also mentioned that there is not enough time for the City to get something together to be able to separate from the county and his recommendation is that the city sign the agreement which does obligate the city for the next ten (10) years and that during those 10 years the City can begin to work on a plan for the city to sustain itself or go somewhere else.

Councilmember John Lallas inquired with City Attorney Kelly Konkright if he has a chance to review the duration and terms of the agreement and was mentioned that nothing has changed as discussed in prior council meetings and the County has declined to update the verbiage. Councilmember Lallas commented though on item 7 that it states the City can give one (1) year notice to terminate and was clarified that that was for renewal of the agreement. Councilmember Lallas requested it be stated in the paper correctly that solid waste costs are going up and the County is charging more money and the City of Othello only collects enough money to cover the amount of what must be paid to the County and solid waste handlers. As the costs go up, because the county is charging more, the citizens of Othello will be at their mercy for what they must pay to the City to cover the costs. Councilmember Lallas expressed his fear regarding the costs going up as the County's operations are costing more and more each year to operate and if the City locks themselves with the County for 10 years then that leaves no other avenue for the City to get out and do their own thing which could be for the City to build their own facility, stay with the same contractor and haul it to a different location.

Council made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Adams County for Solid Waste and Moderate Risk Waste Management. M/S Everett/McCourtie.

Council made a motion to ADOPT ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2018 ADAMS COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND MODERATE RISK WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN. M/S Dorow/Everett. This shall be known as Ordinance No. 1516

CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT MAYOR SHAWN LOGAN TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF OTHELLO CITY ADMINISTRATOR

City Attorney Kelly Konkright mentioned that two (2) weeks ago the Council voted to amend chapter 2.10 of the Othello Municipal Code to allow the Council to vote and allow the Mayor to perform all the function of the City Administrator. Mr. Konkright stated that the amendment has become effective and now the Council has the authority

to determine if they want the current Mayor to serve also as the City Administrator as appose to hiring a new City Administrator. The Independent Salary Commission Committee will determine the compensation for the Mayor for performing the duties. The Council gave their consensus on appointing Mayor Shawn Logan as City Administrator and they each gave their reasons as to their support.

Council made a motion to APPROVE THE RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE MAYOR CITY OF OTHELLO TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE OTHELLO CITY ADMINISTRATOR. M/S Dorow/Lallas. This shall be known as Resolution No. 2018-20

AWARD BID FOR GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL

City Clerk Rebecca Ozuna mentioned that the City advertised for bids for gasoline and diesel fuel and received only one bid from Lawrence Oil in the amount of \$0.075 per gallon above their regional rack costs. This new bid price is what was approved previously by Council in 2011, 2014 and has been paying since. The City purchased approximately 28,000 gallons of gasoline and diesel motor fuel last year. Adams County Fire District completed an inspection of the facility and reported that all the essential qualifications are present at the facility to meet the intent of the International Fire Code (IFC)

Council made a motion to approve a three-year agreement with a contingency of a one-year extension with Lawrence Oil Co. Inc., for gasoline and diesel fuel. M/S Lallas/Bain

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Works Terry Clements gave a brief update on Well #3 as them being down 605 ft, having done a drift test and stated that more information will be given at the Public Works Committee Meeting tomorrow. Mayor Logan inquired what the total depth needed is and Mr. Clements stated that the total depth would be 1,000 feet with the completion date of October 8th, 2018.

Park and Recreation Coordinator Amy Hurlbut gave a brief overview about the trip that her and Mayor Shawn Logan will be taking to Olympia to do the final presentation for the Parks and Recreation RCO Local Parks Grant to put the water splash pad in the pool and what the grant consists of and requirements. She also gave a brief overview about the another grant the City has applied for in the YAF category for WWRP (Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program) for rebuilding the softball and baseball fields in Ball Field Complex at Lions Park.

Councilmember Larry McCourtie inquired about how the salary is appropriated for the Mayor and the Administrator because he does understand that there is a committee that determines that however he does not like the fact that it does not come back to council for approval. City

Attorney Kelly Konkright states he will investigate that and City Clerk Rebecca Ozuna read to council section 2.42.070.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 7:17 p.m.

By: _____
SHAWN LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
REBECCA P. OZUNA, City Clerk