



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM – Tuesday, February 12, 2019

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
Maria Quezada
John Lallas
Mark Snyder

Councilmembers Absent:

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Shawn Logan, Mayor
Tania D. Morelos, City Clerk
Spencer Williams, Finance Officer
Phil Schenck, Police Chief
Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer

CITIZEN INPUT

Rob Simmons, 455 S 18th Ave comes before Council for the second time to speak about his issue on the City plowing snow right up to his door at his business on Main Street. It is frustrating that he plows the snow off his property and at the next snow fall the City moves it back onto his property. Simmons asks that the City come up with a new way of or policy on plowing snow on Main Street. He would also like to see main street

sidewalks plowed and accessible to walking Citizens. Simmons thanks Public Works for their hard and efficient work getting all streets plowed quickly.

Roger Enz 1150 E. Oak says Public Works has done a good job cleaning the roads. His current pet peeve is the cars parked on the street and buried in snow. Enz would like to see these cars fined or towed for not moving their cars.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council carried a motion to APPROVE AGENDA. M/S Garza/Bain

CONSENT OF AGENDA

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of January 28, 2019
- B. Approval of Account Payable Checks
- C. Approval of Payroll and Related Expenses
- D. Columbia Street Easements

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. 50719 through 50777 in the amount of \$139,920.32.
Payroll and Related Expenses Check No. 31360 to No. 31390 in the amount of \$389,189.36.

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

CURRENT BUSINESS

RECYCLING INFORMATION

Mayor Logan comes back with a report to Council with his research about possibly allowing a Citizen to provide an additional dumpster for plastic recyclables. Mayor Logan said it would cost the City to implement a program for plastic because it would include rental of a new container \$50-\$100 per month, and \$100 per load to pick up the plastic and \$96 per container to remove the garbage from the recyclable stream. At this point in time, Staff does not recommend implementing a recycling program for plastics. Council can revisit when it's time to renegotiate our contract with our waste hauler.

ECOLOGY 50% FORGIVABLE LOAN ACCEPTANCE

Finance Officer, Spencer Williams explains the City applied for a 50% forgivable loan through the Department of Ecology in 2017. The City was awarded the loan which helped three separate projects that Varela is working on. Staff recommends Council approve the Resolution required by the Department of Ecology to show acceptance of the loan by the City.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE RESOLUTION 2019-02 ACCEPTING THE LOAN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY. M/S Dorow/Everett

WELL 10/PUMP STATION/RESERVOIR/WATER MAIN CONSULTANT AGREEMENTS FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES

City Engineer, Shawn O'Brien presents the proposed consulting fee amendment for Varela & Associates, Inc services as \$339,773 bringing the total agreement amount to \$427,913.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE ENCLOSED AGREEMENT. M/S Snyder/Dorow

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Logan announces the SR 26 Stakeholder meeting will be held on February 25, 2019 at City Hall from 1:00-3:30pm.

Council holds a discussion about the current snow plowing policy and if the City wants to take any action or make changes due to complaints and concerns from Citizens. Much discussion ensued. Council instructed the Mayor to get together with Public Works and Police Chief to create a policy on how the City will take action to plowing City streets and main roads in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

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

By: _____
SHAWN LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
TANIA D. MORELOS , City Clerk