



## MINUTES

### City Council Regular Meeting

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6:30 PM – Monday, October 28, 2019

Council Chambers, City Hall – 500 E Main St

#### CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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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

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Councilmembers Present:

Eugene Bain  
Genna Dorow  
Corey Everett  
Maria Quezada  
John Lallas  
Mark Snyder

Councilmembers Absent:

Angel Garza

**Council Action: Council carried a motion to EXCUSE COUNCIL MEMBER. M/S Lallas/Quezada**

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

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Shawn Logan, Mayor  
Tania Morelos, City Clerk  
Spencer Williams, Finance Officer  
Anne Henning, Community Development Director  
Abner Garza, IT Director

#### CITIZEN INPUT

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Martha Suritza, Othello resident addresses Council through translation by City Clerk, Tania Morelos. Suritza is requesting that the City consider putting in a dog park. Many animals are tied up and abandoned and this would be a great way to get dog owners to walk their dogs and get to know each other. She also was concerned with animals left outdoors with the dropping temperatures. Council suggested she team up with Pet Rescue as she would be an amazing resource helping them with the issues of pets as they share the same concerns with her.

Gary Lebacken from the Adams County Fire District addressed Council with his concerns regarding the zoning changes and allowing a memory care center in certain zones. Lebacken also asked if the City was planning to fix the heating in the building. Mayor Logan let him know the part we are waiting for on its way and Apollo is scheduled to be in soon to fix the heating issue.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE AGENDA. M/S Bain/Dorow**

## **CONSENT OF AGENDA**

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- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of October 7, 2019
- B. Approval of Payroll and Related Checks
- C. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks

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

## **CURRENT BUSINESS**

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### **CONTRACT WITH BIE**

Mayor Logan recommends Council to approve the rental lease purchase of a SHARP printer for the Police Department it will cost \$167.37 per month plus sales tax.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE OTHELLO POLICE DEPARTMENT AND BIE FOR THE 48/49-MONTH RENTAL LEASE PURCHASE OF THE SHARP PRINTER. M/S Dorow/Quezada**

### **TOURISM FUNDING**

Finance Officer, Spencer Williams presents to Council the recommendations by the LTAC for funds for each committee. A new committee is putting on the "Christmas Miracle on Main Street" event and approached the LTAC for funds. The LTAC proposed adding \$700 to the 2019 budget for this event.

Sharon Skorick, Othello Chamber Manager speaks in support of the recommendations and believes the amounts proposed for each group is reasonable.

### **PUBLIC HEARING ON REVENUE SOURCES**

Mayor Logan opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Finance Officer, Spencer Williams gives a brief overview of revenue sources and the purpose of the Public Hearing.

Mayor Logan opened the public testimony for those in support of the proposal.  
There was none.

Mayor Logan opened the public testimony for those neutral to the proposal.  
There was none.

Mayor Logan opened the public testimony for those in opposition to the proposal.  
There was none.

Mayor Logan closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

#### **BUILDING CODE UPDATE**

Community Development Director, Anne Henning gives Council a brief summary of what has transpired over previous Council meetings on this topic and has come to Council with a final Ordinance per their recommendations for building code updates.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AMENDING OMC 14.04, BUILDING CODES. M/S Dorow/Lallas**

#### **ASPECT CONSULTING CONTRACT CHANGE**

Mayor Logan explains the purpose of the contract change with Aspect Consulting. This authorization is for water right and water supply services on an as requested basis to support the City's long-range water supply planning effort and recommends Council approval.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE A CONTRACT CHANGE FOR ASPECT CONSULTING FOR SERVICE NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000. M/S Lallas/Bain**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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Councilman Snyder asks if the large flags posted at businesses on main street have sign permits. The Community Development Director said she and code enforcement would look into it.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

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Councilman Snyder announced Columbia street will be paved within the next couple of weeks.

Mayor Logan announces-

- The Mayor will be attending Annual Columbia Development meeting tomorrow.

- The City of Othello received the drinking water award for the Well 3R project at the IACC Conference.
- There will be political event at Ironworks on October 30<sup>th</sup> for Senator Mark Schoesler.
- The Othello Police Department will be hosting an Open House and No Shave Feed Fundraiser on November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Council received planning commission minutes and Department head reports.
- There will be a Council budget retreat dinner on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Councilman Snyder asked Fire Chief how the Fire Department Open House went. Fire Chief said better than expected about 800+ people attended.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 7:25 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
SHAWN R. LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

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TANIA D. MORELOS, City Clerk