# OMAK CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES January 22, 2019

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Gagné called the regular meeting of the Omak City Council to order at 7:00 PM and everyone joined in the flag salute.

### **COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL:**

Michael Foth Patrick Dalton, Building Official

Nattalie Cariker Kevin Bowling, Fire Chief Barry Freel Jeff Koplin, Police Chief

Steve Clark Ken Mears, Public Works Director

Walt Womack Connie Thomas, City Clerk

Michelle Gaines Todd McDaniel, City Administrator

Dave Womack

# **CORRESPONDENCE AND MAYOR'S REPORT:**

### 2019 Council Committees

Mayor Gagné told Council that she has set the 2019 Council Committees and the list has been distributed to members (attached).

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Member Foth moved, seconded by Member Gaines, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the January 7, 2019 meeting and the January 17, 2019 special meeting. As there was no discussion and no comments from the audience, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

# Resolution 07-2019 - Approve Change Order No. 2-POW for Ironwood Koala Sewer Improvements

Member Clark, moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 07-2019. Public Works Director Mears explained to Council that this change order reconciles the quantities with final quantities installed and measured. Mayor Gagné stated that G&O Engineer Dave Ellis was in attendance to answer any questions Council may have. As there was no discussion and no comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

#### Resolution 08-2019 - Accept Ironwood and Koala Ave. Sewer Improvements as Complete

Member Cariker moved, seconded by Member Clark, to approve Resolution 08-2019. Public Works Director Mears told Council that this resolution is to accept the project as complete. He said the project went well. Member Dave Womack asked if the project came in on budget. Mr. Mears said that it was approximately \$12,000 under budget. Member Gaines asked about a sewer lid cover that was on the punch list. Mr. Mears said that has been purchased and installed. He also mentioned that a driveway approach to a property was replaced with asphalt versus concrete. The property owner was consulted, and they understand if the asphalt does not hold up, it will be replaced with concrete. As there were no further question or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

### Resolution 09-2019 - Designating Representatives to the WRIA 49 Planning Unit

Member Gaines moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 09-2019. City Administrator McDaniel explained to Council that the City of Omak, Okanogan County and the Oroville Tonasket Irrigation District are identified in the RCW's as the Initiating Governments on the Water Resource Inventory Area 49 (WRIA 49) Planning Unit. The Department of Ecology is required to make rules to mitigate unpermitted exempt ground water withdrawals. Legislation has set up parameters and funding to promote local planning. The initiating government representatives will put together a planning unit of twenty-eight voting members and advisory members. This group will amend the current Watershed Plan by discussing what will happen in twenty years. They will identify projects in the WRIA 49 and look at how to improve or mitigate streamflow's that could be impacted from the increased water withdrawals that accompany the build out. Administrator McDaniel said that it will be a long process and it's significant when you are discussion people's water. They have already had three meetings. This resolution designates Mayor Gagné as the City Representative and City Administrator McDaniel as the alternate. Administrator McDaniel told Council that when the document is ready in late 2020

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City Council will have the opportunity to review, approval and make recommendation to move the document to the Department of Ecology for review and approval. As there were no further question or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Resolution 10-2019 - Approve Amendment No. 3 with G&O for Eastside Park Lift Station

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 10-2019. Public Works Director Mears told Council that this resolution amends the agreement for the Eastside Park Lift Station project. The last upgrade of this lift station was almost thirty years ago and at that time it was just pumps and apparatus. This resolution will allow Gray & Osborne to design, prepare bid documents and construct. This project is funded in the 2019 budget. Mr. Mears said that some excavating will be done so cultural resource may be involved. Member Freel asked Professional Engineer, Dave Ellis if the estimate on this project was strong. Mr. Ellis expects the project to come in less than the estimate. He said the estimate is based on worst case scenario. This lifts station supports the RV Park and a small amount from the Stampede restrooms. As there were no further question or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

# Committee/Staff Reports:

Member Gaines attended the January Park Board meeting. She reported the Park Board has set project goals for 2019. They asked Councilwoman Gaines to find what projects City Council would like the Park Board to focus on. Member Cariker would like the Park Board to keep working on the Eastside Park. Member Gaines said in 2019, the Park Board will be updating the Comprehensive Park Plan, supporting design work for the skatepark and continue to work with land owners on the levee walking trail. Member Gaines said the goals were ambitious. She again asked Council to contact her if anything else comes to mind.

Fire Chief Kevin Bowling told Council that he has put together a job description for the Part-Time Firefighter/Training Officer and has given it to the City Administrator for review. He anticipates the document will come to the Personnel Committee in February.

Police Chief Koplin reminded Council that the 2019 budget included the purchase of a patrol car. He intended on purchasing a Ford Explorer as there have been maintenance issues with the Dodge Chargers. During the budget process, the Ford Explorer was \$48,500. Upon setting up the purchase of the vehicle, we found out the price for a completely equipped Ford Explorer has increased to \$53,000. He asked Council for guidance on the purchase. He also added that the Ford Explorer could not be purchased until June 2019 with a delivery of September or October. Member Dave Womack asked about purchasing a 2018 Ford Explorer. Chief Koplin said that he could not purchase a 2018 through the State Bid. There was further discussion about the pros and cons of the Dodge Charger versus the Ford Explorer. Member Foth asked Chief Koplin what he would like to do. Chief Koplin said that he didn't want to wait until September or October for a vehicle and would like to purchase an AWD versus a Two Wheel drive, fully equipped Dodge Charger. The Charger would also be within the budgeted amount. Chief Koplin will work with City Mechanics and draft a resolution to bring to Council. Member Gaines asked if this car was replacing a Crown Victoria, Chief Koplin said that it is. He has two currently in the fleet.

Public Works Director Mears reported that the City has pulled to samples from the Julia Maley Well for arsenic testing. The results are favorable. The levels are dropping a lot and he hopes the City will not have to construct an arsenic plant. Mr. Mears said they have three more tests to take. Public Works Director Mears clarified the Julia Maley well pumping for Member Dave Womack. He said the well will not be seasonal and will continue to pump water. The City will be required by the Department of Ecology to perform quarterly testing.

City Clerk Thomas explained to Council that each member was issued an iPad. The iPads will be used to view the agenda packet during the meeting and conduct City business. She reminded Council that the contents on the iPad's are subject to the Public Records Act and asked them to be mindful of what they used them for. She told them if they needed help with setting up the iPad's that she and Public Works Director Mears would be happy to help them. During the month of February, she will provide paper agenda packets to ensure everyone is comfortable with the transition.

Member Gaines told Council that she will not be in attendance for the February 4, 2019 meeting.

As there was no further business before Council, Mayor Gagné adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM.

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Connie Thomas, City Clerk

Cindy Gagné, Mayor