
**OMAK CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gagné called the Zoom meeting for the Omak City Council to order at 7:00 PM. Rather than the flag salute, she asked that everyone in attendance take a moment of silence and reflect on the current situation.

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL:

Michael Foth	Tyler Wells, Building Official
Nattalie Cariker	Kevin Bowling, Fire Chief
Barry Freel	Jeff Koplín, 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:

Mayor Gagné shared with Council that she just received the Okanogan County Public Health COVID-19 update and there are no new cases.

Proclamation – National Hospital Week May

Mayor Gagné read a proclamation declaring the week of May 10th through the 16th as National Hospital Week. Mayor Gagné told Council that Mikaela Marion, Director of Marketing & Public Relations with Mid-Valley Hospital requested this proclamation. Mid-Valley Hospital will celebrate with Hospital Days recognizing all health care workers.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the April 20, 2020; 2020 claims checks numbered 102634-102682, in the amount of \$241,894.44; April 2020 payroll checks numbered 102539-102541 and, 102604-102633 and various ACH's in the amount of \$294,745.12; As there was no discussion and no comments from the audience, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 29-2020 – Approve Change Order No. 1 – Cates & Erb – Eastside Park Lift Station

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Gaines, to approve Resolution 29-2020. Public Works Director Mears explained to Council that change order is for groundwater dewatering during vault installation. The contractor needed additional equipment and labor to dewater the location before installing the new lift station vault. As there were no questions or further comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Committee/Staff Reports:

Councilmember Cariker told Council that the Community Support & Public Safety Committee did not meet this past Friday as there was nothing new to discuss.

Member Dave Womack asked about the proposed meeting for the Personnel/Finance Committee. Administrator McDaniel explained that he is waiting on a change order from J-U-B Engineers. Member Dave Womack requested the meeting be scheduled on a Thursday versus a Friday.

Fire Chief Bowling told Council that the Washington Survey & Rating Bureau assessed the Fire Department and determine the protection classification will remain at a 5. He also told Council that the City of Okanogan hired a Fire Chief and he should start next week. Member Clark thanked Chief Bowling for taking on the task of Interim Fire Chief for Okanogan and said that Chief Bowling did an awesome job.


City Administrator told Council that he has spent a lot of time trying to get his head around COVID-19. He has attended a lot of online meetings and has stayed abreast of the everchanging situation. Staff is asking about plans to reopening of City Hall so they will be discussing that at the Thursday morning Staff Meeting. The plan to move forward will be discussed with the Mayor and the Community Support & Public Safety Committee.

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Member Clark asked about the speed reading signs that were budgeted for 2020. He wondered if staff was holding off on the purchase because of financial reasons. Administrator McDaniel said that staff will be discussing expenditures.

Mayor Gagné told Council that the Okanogan County Landfill will open to the public tomorrow. Member Clark asked how the Spring Clean Up went. Clerk Thomas said that there was more debris than Sunrise anticipated so they added another truck to the route. There was more than 32 tons picked up.

As there was no further business before Council, Mayor Gagné adjourned the Zoom meeting at 7:10 PM.



Connie Thomas, City Clerk



Cindy Gagné, Mayor