
**OMAK CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 4, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL:

Mike Foth	Todd McDaniel, City Administrator (CA)
Nattalie Cariker	Jeremy Patrick, Fire Chief
Barry Freel	Dan Christensen, Police Chief
Steve Clark	Wayne Beetchenow, Public Works Director (PWD)
Meyer Louie	Connie Thomas, City Clerk
Michelle Gaines	Tyler Wells, Building Official (BO)
Dave Womack	Rochelle Danielson, C.O.R.E. Program Manager/Outreach Specialist

CONSENT AGENDA:

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Gaines, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes from the February 20, 2024 meeting; 2024 claims checks numbered 110684-110724 in the amount of \$84,699.04; February 2024 payroll checks numbered 110585-110587, 110660-110683 and, ACH payments in the amount of \$416,011.14; As there was no discussion and no comments from the audience, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 21-2024 – Approve Purchase of a Fleet Pickup – 1 Ton Dump Truck

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Gaines, to approve Resolution 21-2024. PWD Beetchenow informed Council that this purchase will replace one-ton dump truck. This purchase was approved in the 2024 budget. The purchase will be made through Bud Clary Ford, a bona fide state vendor. The purchase will total \$81,293. As there were no questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Resolution 22-2024 – Approve Amendment No. 10 – Engineering Services with Gray & Osborne,

Inc.

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 22-2024. PWD Beetchenow informed the Council this resolution approves engineers, Gray & Osborne, Inc. to provide contract administration for the Mid Valley Hospital water project. He reached out to the Finance Committee to discuss the overrun on the estimated project cost. He will be meeting with the Finance Committee at a later date to review and discuss funding of all the projects in the 2024 budget. As there were no questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Resolution 23-2024 – Write-Off Uncollectible Accounts Receivable for the Omak Municipal Court

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 23-2024. CA McDaniel informed Council that he expected Judge Ebenger to attend but, his understanding is these are normal write-offs of uncollectible account receivables covering a ten-year span. As there were no questions or comments, Council voted with six Council members voting yay and Council Member Womack voting nay. The motion was approved.

Resolution 24-2024 – Approve Commercial Lease Agreement with Klimek Investments, LLC.

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 24-2024. CA McDaniel informed the Council this lease is for the building at 21 N main Street, Omak. The Council packet includes a draft version that has since been reviewed by City Attorney Howe. The only changes that were made was reference to reimbursement of fire, extended insurance coverage and real estate property tax. This is a two-year agreement at \$1,500 a month. The building will support Team O.N.E., C.O.R.E and include a training space. The building will also accommodate pop-ups and public meetings. There was a discussion about when the city would take possession, funding and clarifying questions as to who will be using the building. CA McDaniel informed Council the 2024 budget included an expenditure for land acquisition and that money will be allocated toward the lease payments. The Omak Police Department is outgrowing their current space. Member Womack asked about the potential annual revenue from the Public Safety Tax and CA McDaniel estimates

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\$180,000. As there were no further questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Resolution 25-2024 – Approve the Purchase of Playground Equipment

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 25-2024. PWD Beetchenow informed Council that Tim had been working the past week on quotes for playground equipment. They chose three toys and were able to fund all for under the budgeted amount of \$50,000. They are looking at locations for the equipment. Member Cariker thought one should be placed near the new skate park area. The big toy in front of the pool needs to come out. She liked the idea of one placed in the Koala Street Park in the residential neighborhood. As there were no further questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Resolution 26-2024 – Approve Public Works Contract with PumpTech, LLC.

Member Foth moved, seconded by Member Clark, to approve Resolution 26-2024. PWD Beetchenow informed the Council the water crew noticed production has dropped at the Northeast Well. Preliminary testing was done by PumpTech, LLC., and it was determined the pump needs to be pulled and inspected. As there were no further questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Ordinance 1938 – Amend the Non-Union Salary Schedule for Fiscal 2024

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Ordinance 1938. CA McDaniel informed the Council that this ordinance amends the salary schedule for the Team O.N.E. Lead position. This position is grant funded for two years and the salary is capped at \$60,000 annually. As there were no questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Committee/Staff Reports:

Member Freel informed the Council that the Infrastructure Committee met and reviewed a request from a property owner to adjust the water charges. In reviewing meter reads, there was a leak detected at 304 S Granite. The owner was advised and repairs were made. The committee was in agreement to approve the request for adjustment. Member Freel moved, seconded by Member Womack to approve the water adjustment at 304 S Granite for J. Draggoo. As there were no questions or comments, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

Building Official Wells reminded Council of the Public Workshop being held by the Planning Commission on Tuesday, March 5th at 5pm. If the Council had any recommended code changes related to zoning and Title 19 of the Omak Municipal Code to let him know. The Planning Commission is working to set their docket for 2024.

Chief Christensen introduced Ashley Wert who is the new Code Enforcement Officer for the City of Omak, Mr. Wert comes to the City as a Veteran of the US Navy where he was a flight traffic controller. Mr. Wert has lived in the area, and this is day two for him.

PWD Beetchenow informed the Council that construction of the Skate Park is kicking off this week.

C.O.R.E. Manager Danielson informed Council that Marc Doney, Team O.N.E. Lead, is in attendance again and plans to attend Council regularly. She also informed Council that the Rubix's Cube has been a huge hit with the fifth graders at East Omak Elementary. They are teaching them life skills as it relates to the Rubix Cube and, they are on step three this week. She shared that Chief Christensen is being recognized by the kids out in the community.

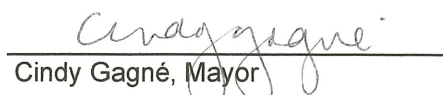
CA McDaniel informed Council that he is trying to push through an emergency loan with Public Works Trust Fund for the sewer line replacement. He is asking for one million dollars with fifty percent forgiveness.

Member Gaines said she read the monthly report from the Building Official. She is excited to see more abatement projects are being done.

Mayor Gagné is glad to have Mr. Doney and Mr. Wert in attendance and she is glad to see Sergeant Schaefer in attendance again.

As there was no further business before Council, Mayor Gagné adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM.


Connie Thomas, City Clerk


Cindy Gagné, Mayor

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