CITY OF OKANOGAN
COUNCIL MINUTES
February 18, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Turner at 7:00 pm and those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were:
Present: Mayor Wayne L. Turner Councilmembers: Rob Gillespie, Eric S. Lind, Sr., John Lyles, and Greg Oyler.

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jessica Blake, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Susan Stewart, Public Works Director Shawn Davisson, Code Enforcement/Assistant Permit Administrator Craig Caswell and Undersheriff Dave Yarnell of the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office.

Excused: Lisa Bauer, Denise Varner, and Rob Chilcote

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Turner asked if there were any alterations to the Agenda and Consent Agenda. Oyler moved, seconded by Lind, Sr. to approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda as presented. Mayor Turner asked if there were any objections to the motion. Seeing no objection raised, the motion passed without objection.

Mayor Turner announced that Councilmembers Rob Chilcote and Denise Varner will not be in attendance tonight. Gillespie moved, seconded by Lyles to excuse Chilcote and Varner from the meeting. Seeing no objections, Councilmember Chilcote and Varner are excused.

EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBERS

Lisa Bauer was excused with passage of the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting of February 4, 2025 were approved with passage of the Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Claims Vouchers numbered 55760 through 55792 dated February 18, 2025 in the amount of $ 144,648.39, and a debit transaction dated February 3, 2025 in the amount of $103.00 were approved with the Consent Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Turner opened the floor and invited Public Comment. There being no Public Comment, Public Comment was closed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Public Works Director Davisson submitted a written report. In addition, he announced the following:

- ❖ Continuing to monitor the backup generator project
- ❖ Barry Featherly, Teena Vickers, and he attended the Evergreen Rural Water of Washington Spring Conference
- ❖ Received a STBG award of $519,000 for sidewalk replacement on 2nd Avenue from Conconully Street to the 2nd Avenue Bridge

Code Enforcement/Assistant Permit Administrator Caswell submitted a written report, reviewed the information in his report, and answered questions.

Fire Chief Armstrong submitted a written report and was excused from the meeting.

Clerk's Office submitted a written report, in addition Clerk Treasurer Blake announced the following:

- ❖ City Hall will be closed on Thursday, February 27th for Records Retention
- ❖ Business Licensing will go live March 25th and the city will be emailing businesses to let them know when they renew their business license through DOR in June or after they will be charged for a City licensing fee

Okanogan County Sheriff's Office submitted a written report and Undersheriff Yarnell reviewed the information. In addition, he announced the Sheriff's Office receive a resignation from a Deputy effective March 1st, 2025 which will put them down 5 field positions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports on the Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business on the Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2025-2 Obsolete Inventory

Clerk Treasurer Blake introduced Resolution 2025 – 2.

Lyles moved, seconded by Lind, Sr. to approve Resolution No. 2025 – 2.

There was no discussion.

Ayes: Gillespie, Lyles, Lind, Sr., and Oyler

Noes: None

Motion carried: 4 Ayes: 0 Noes

<u>520 S 2nd Abatement Project Closeout</u>

Clerk Treasurer Blake introduced 520 S 2nd Abatement Project Closeout.

Gillespie moved, seconded by Oyler that the City accept the 520 2nd Avenue South Abatement Project as complete and direct staff to close out this project.

There was a brief discussion.

Ayes: Lind, Sr., Gillespie, Oyler, and Lyles

Noes: None

Motion carried: 4 Ayes: 0 Noes

<u>Don Kruse Electric Contract Award Murray Street Booster Station</u>

Public Works Director Davisson introduced the Don Kruse Electric Contract Award to replace Murray Street Booster Pump # 2.

Lind, Sr. moved, seconded by Lyles to accept Don Kruse Electric's proposal and award the contract in the amount of $3,012.16 plus sales tax.

There was a brief discussion.

Ayes: Gillespie, Lyles, Lind, Sr., and Oyler

Noes: None

Motion carried: 4 Ayes: 0 Noes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Turner opened the floor and invited Public Comment. Seeing none offered, Public Comment was closed.

COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENT

There were no Councilmember Comments.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner had nothing further to report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Minutes taken and prepared by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Susan Stewart

APPROVED:

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Wayne L. Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jessica Blake, Clerk-Treasurer