CITY OF OKANOGAN
VIRTUAL MEETING
COUNCIL MINUTES
February 15, 2022

CALL TO 2ORDER

The Virtual Meeting of the Okanogan City Council was called to order by Mayor Culp at 7:00 p.m. through Zoom.

Present: Mayor Jon K. Culp Councilmembers: Lisa Bauer, Eric S. Lind, Sr., Greg Oyler, Wayne Turner, and. Robert Gillespie

Present: Clerk-Treasurer Amber Scott, Deputy Clerk Treasurer Susan Stewart, Director of Public Works Shawn Davisson, and Public Safety Director Jeremy Patrick.

Excused: Denise Varner

Mayor Culp announced Councilmember Varner contacted him and will not be in attendance at tonight's meeting due to an urgent personal matter. Bauer moved, seconded by Lind to excuse Denise Varner from the meeting. Mayor Culp asked if there were any objections to the motion. Seeing none, the motion passed without objection.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Culp amended the Agenda to remove the Appointment to Board of Adjustment, Nicholas Timm, Position No. 1 and asked if there were any other alterations to the Agenda and Consent Agenda. Turner moved, seconded by Oyler to approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda as amended. Mayor Culp asked if there were any objections to the motion. Seeing no objection raised, the motion passed without objection.

EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBERS

There were no Pre-excused Councilmembers on the Agenda and Consent Agenda but was present at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting of February 01, 2022 and the Special Council Meeting of February 03, 2022 were approved with passage of the Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Claims Vouchers numbered 51907 through 51943 in the amount of $121,761.93 dated February 15, 2022, and a debit card transaction dated

February 08, 2022 in the amount of $90.00, and a debit card transaction dated February 01, 2022 in the amount of $213.95 were approved with the Consent Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Culp opened the floor for Public Comment. Seeing no Public in attendance, Public Comment was closed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Director of Public Works Davisson submitted a written report and in addition announced the following:

- The HVAC unit has been installed for the Okanogan Library and are working with DIVCO on some final closeout items
- Prepared the Okanogan Legion Park for COVID-19 vaccination clinic
- New Mechanic is working on the Street Sweeper and will hopefully have it out next week and then be working on some Fire Department issues
- Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) has additional funds available; City is working with TIB, Okanogan County on additional roads which could need Chip Sealing and a cost estimate to chip seal all of the streets in the City of Okanogan

Public Safety Director Patrick submitted a written report and in addition announced the following:

- Completed several documents in the new GoGov program and hoping to go live April 01, 2022 or sooner
- Okanogan Volunteer Fire Department and Fire District No. 3 will be sharing the costs 50/50 of the following trainings:
    - Five officers registered for the Washington Fire Chiefs (WFC) Training, Safety & Officers: Fire Symposium in Wenatchee the end of March 2022
    - Five scheduled to attend training in April with Tonasket Fire and Region Six
    - Five firefighters scheduled to attend Washington State Fire Fighter's Association Annual Fire School the end of May 2022
- Reminder of using City Website to submit Complaint forms online (preferred method) or pick hard copies at City Hall

Clerk's Office submitted a written report and in addition Clerk Treasurer Scott announced the following:

- Construction of the interior windows is underway and should be completed in the next couple weeks
- Officially started the 2021 Annual Report

Building Official/Permit Administrator Bryan Forbus submitted a written report.

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Sheriff's Office submitted a written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports on the Agenda or Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business on the Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Lower Pine Street Improvement Project: Bid Award-Rudnick & Son's Excavation LLC

Public Works Director Davisson introduced the Contract Award for Lower Pine Improvement Project and provided a brief overview of the project.

Gillespie moved, seconded by Lind that the City of Okanogan award the Lower Pine Street Improvement Project to Rudnick & Son's LLC.

There was a brief discussion.

Vote on the motion.

Ayes: Bauer, Oyler, Turner, Gillespie, and Lind

Noes: None

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes: 0 Noes

Interagency Agreement between Washington State Patrol and the City of Okanogan

Public Safety Director Patrick introduced the Interagency Agreement between Washington State Patrol and the City of Okanogan and provided a brief overview of the need for the Agreement.

Lind moved, seconded by Gillespie that the Interagency Agreement between Washington State Patrol and the City of Okanogan be approved.

Clerk Treasurer Scott pointed out Councilmember Lind would need to abstain due to his membership on the Okanogan Volunteer Fire Department.
There was a brief discussion.

Vote on the Motion.

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Ayes: Bauer, Oyler, Turner, and Gillespie

Noes: None

Abstain: Lind

Motion Carried: 4 Ayes: 0 Noes: 1 Abstention

Appointment to the Board of Adjustment, Nicholas Timm, Position No. 1

Removed from the Agenda and Consent Agenda by Mayor Culp.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Culp opened the floor for Public Comment. Seeing no Public in attendance, Public Comment was closed.

COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENT

Bauer wished everyone "Happy Cheap Chocolate Day!",

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Culp announced he posted City Hall's new hours of operation on his Facebook page; Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Closed on Fridays, he reportedly received comments regarding the "Mask Mandate" for conducting business inside City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes taken and prepared by Deputy Clerk Treasurer Susan Stewart

APPROVED:

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Jon K. Culp, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amber Scott, Clerk-Treasurer

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