

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2014

Mayor Belton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Loren Belton and Councilmembers Zachary Dorr, Clara Jiménez, Derald Ortloff, Randy Taylor, and Blaine Thorington.
Absent: Councilmember Mark Oaks.
Staff Present: City Manager William C. Murphy (CM Murphy), MidValley Television Manager Judy Devall, and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember Ortloff moved, seconded by Councilmember Taylor to excuse Councilmember Oaks from the April 14, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Dorr to approve Consent Agenda items a through g:

- a. Approve Minutes of the March 24, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Minutes of the April 7, 2014 Study Session.
- c. Approve Pay Estimate #7 to Rotschy, Inc. in the total amount of \$45,347.03 with retainage held in the amount of \$2,136.25 for the Well #9 Housing/Equipping Project.
- d. Approve Pay Estimate #5 to T. Bailey, Inc. in the amount of \$158,345.53 with retainage held in the amount of \$7,459.48 for the 1.7 MG Standpipe Water Reservoir No. 5 Project.
- e. Approve Pay Estimate #1 to Granite Construction Company in the amount of \$60,928.76 with no retainage held for Federally funded "L" Street Improvements Project.
- f. Approve Payroll Checks Number 32592 through 32610 and EFTPR309-315 in the total amount of \$174,590.36 dated April 3, 2014.
- g. Approve Claims Checks Number 79272 through 79394 in the total amount of \$433,865.21 dated April 14, 2014.

Councilmember Thorington inquired on the reason for retainage not being held for the "L" Street Improvements Project. City Manager Murphy (CM Murphy) responded that retainage is not required for Federally funded STP projects.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Release Retainage to Scout Lake Construction, Inc. for the 2013 Water System Improvements Project in the Amount of \$43,085.79.

Councilmember Taylor moved, seconded by Councilmember Thorington to approve Release of Retainage to Scout Lake Construction, Inc. for the 2013 Water System Improvements Project in

the amount of \$43,085.79. All Waivers have been received from Employment Security, Labor & Industries, and Department of Revenue. No Liens have been filed within the 60-day period. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Belton shared that he recently visited the Well No. 9 Project and encouraged other Councilmembers to take some time to go visit the site.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2014-05:

Resolution Adopting Policy that Establishes Limited Authority for Finance Director/City Clerk to Issue Checks.

City Manager Murphy (CM Murphy) reported that the proposed Resolution is the recommendation that a neighboring City received from the State Auditor. The resolution will establish a City policy to give the Finance Director/City Clerk limited authority to issue checks out of the regular schedule in order to prevent the City from being charged late penalties or to take advantage of a lower price opportunity.

Councilmember Dorr moved, seconded by Councilmember Taylor to adopt Resolution 2014-05, a Resolution Adopting Policy that Establishes Limited Authority for Finance Director/City Clerk to Issue Checks. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2014-06:

Resolution Approving Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement with Huibregtse, Louman Associates, Inc., for Professional Engineering Services for the Design of the Lincoln Avenue, Dayton Avenue, and Beech Street Improvements Project.

City Manager Murphy (CM Murphy) reported that the proposed Resolution is to approve the Consultant Agreement for with Huibregtse, Louman Associates, Inc. for the professional engineering services for the design of the Lincoln Avenue, Dayton Avenue, and Beech Street Improvements Project.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Jiménez to adopt Resolution 2014-06, a Resolution Approving Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement with Huibregtse, Louman Associates, Inc., for Professional Engineering Services for the Design of the Lincoln Avenue, Dayton Avenue, and Beech Street Improvements Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2014-07:

Resolution Authorizing Application to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office for Grant Funding of Improvements in Pioneer Park.

City Manager Murphy (CM Murphy) reported that the proposed Resolution is to authorize the submittal of an application to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office for grant funding for improvements to Pioneer Park.

Councilmember Dorr moved, seconded by Councilmember Taylor to adopt Resolution 2014-07, a Resolution Authorizing Application to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office for Grant Funding of Improvements in Pioneer Park. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Agenda for the May 5, 2014 Study Session.

It was the consensus of Council to have a discussion regarding the guidelines for establishing a Parks and Recreation District.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Belton reported that last week he attended a gang prevention intervention meeting and participated in the Community Safety Network golf tournament.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

CM Murphy announced that the City received a Fire Department analysis prepared by the Washington State Rating Bureau. The outcome is that the City's fire protection rating remains in its current protective class. CM Murphy announced that the City received the 2014 AWC WellCity Award for Excellence. The City has received the WellCity Award for the past six years.

The City Council thanked the Wellness Committee members Judy Devall, Heidi Riojas, James Cole, Elizabeth Alba, Pat Perrault, and Curt Ruggles for their efforts with the Wellness Program.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

LOREN BELTON, MAYOR

HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK