

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 25, 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, Mark Oaks, Derald Ortloff, and Blaine Thorington.
Absent: Councilmember Randy Taylor.
Staff Present: City Manager William C. Murphy (CM Murphy), MidValley Television Manager Judy Devall, and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Dorr to excuse Councilmember Taylor for the August 25, 2014 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to approve Consent Agenda items a through d:

- a. Approve Minutes of the August 11, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Receive July 2014 Budget Report and Update Memorandum Submitted by Finance Director/City Clerk Linda B. Mead.
- c. Approve Payroll Checks Number 32751 through 32765 and EFTPR376-383 in the total amount of \$277,190.26 dated August 22, 2014.
- d. Approve Claims Checks Number 80125 through 80203 and EFTAP120 in the total amount of \$220,914.62 dated August 25, 2014 and Void Check Numbers 80123, 80124, and NR79866.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Release Retainage to Rotschy, Inc. for the Well #9 Housing/Equipping Project in the Amount of \$38,366.31.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Dorr to approve Release of Retainage to Rotschy, Inc. for the Well #9 Housing/Equipping Project in the Amount of \$38,366.31. 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.

Release Retainage to Booth & Sons Construction, Inc. for the Police Training Center Remodel Project in the Amount of \$4,824.90.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Ortloff to approve Release of Retainage to Booth & Sons Construction, Inc. for the Police Training Center Remodel Project in the Amount of \$4,824.90. 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.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2014-17:

A Resolution Adopting Public Defense Standards and Requiring the City Manager to Evaluate the Current Provision of Indigent Defense Services.

CM Murphy reported that the proposed Resolution is a result of the Federal Court decision of *Wilbur vs. Mt. Vernon and Burlington* case that requires the City to upgrade public defense standards to be in compliance.

Councilmember Dorr moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to adopt Resolution 2014-17, a Resolution Adopting Public Defense Standards and Requiring the City Manager to Evaluate the Current Provision of Indigent Defense Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2014-18:

A Resolution Approving the Transfer of Control of the City's Cable Service Provider to Comcast Corporation.

CM Murphy reported that the proposed Resolution was written by the Franchise Attorney Chris Bacha to acknowledge the City's approval of transfer of control between Charter and Comcast.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Dorr to adopt Resolution 2014-18, a Resolution Approving the Transfer of Control of the City's Cable Service Provider to Comcast Corporation. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Thorington reported that he attended the Play Day at Pioneer Park on August 23, 2014.

Mayor Belton reported that he attended the Toppenish Western Art Show. Mayor Belton stated that he attended the Executive Board meeting of the Office of Emergency Management and received notice that the City of Yakima is withdrawing from the Yakima Valley Office of Emergency Management Agreement which will affect the assessments paid by all the other communities. Mayor Belton also stated that he attended the Auditor's Exit Conference on August 14, 2014.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

CM Murphy reported that the City received notice from the Yakima Valley Office of Emergency Management that the 2015 assessment will increase by an estimated \$4,000 because of the withdrawal by the City of Yakima.

Each Councilmember received a copy of the Accountability Auditor Report and the Financial Statements and Federal Single Auditor Report for the period from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. There were no findings reported by the State Auditor for 2012 and 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

LOREN BELTON, MAYOR

HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK