

**TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL**  
**Study Session Minutes**  
**July 5, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor C. Jiménez called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Mayor Clara Jiménez and Councilmembers J. Eligio Jiménez, Derald Ortloff, Gabriel Piñon, Blaine Thorington and Angelica Walle.

**Absent:** Councilmember Mark Oaks.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), Finance Director/City Clerk Debbie Zabell, Community Development Director William Rathbone, Police Chief Curtis Ruggles (PC Ruggles), Police Sergeant Steve Araguz, Police Sergeant Juan Ceja, Police Officer Oscar Zapien, Police Officer Joshua Rosenow, Police Officer Stephanie Scheurer, Police Dispatcher/Clerk Dana Fry, Police Dispatcher/Clerk Dusty Dietz, Police Dispatcher/Clerk Kristie Wane, Police Corrections Officer Gloria Rosales, Police Corrections Officer Alejandro Betancourth and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Ortloff to excuse Councilmember Oaks from the July 5, 2016 Study Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**SWEARING IN OF NEWLY APPOINTED  
POLICE CHIEF CURTIS L. RUGGLES**

Deputy City Clerk Riojas administered the Oath of Office to Police Chief Ruggles, followed with his wife proudly pinning his new Chief Badge on his uniform. PC Ruggles introduced his family and friends in attendance at the meeting.

**INTRODUCTIONS OF NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFF**

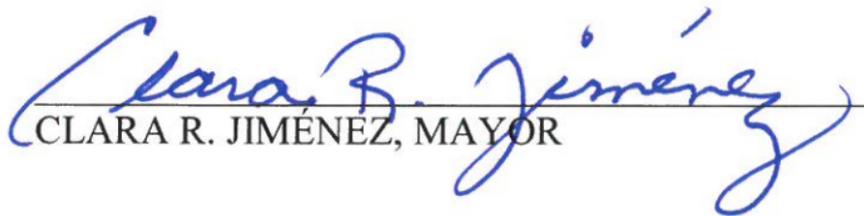
PC Ruggles introduced new the Department's new Police Dispatcher/Clerks Kristie Wane and Dusty Dietz, Police Corrections Officers Alejandro Betancourth and Gloria Rosales, Police Officers Joshua Rosenow and Stephanie Scheurer, and recently promoted Police Sergeants Steve Araguz and Juan Ceja to Council. He further noted that the City was still in the process of recruiting two police officers and one corrections officer.

CM Hoyt updated Council that the August 1, 2016 Study Session will include a new policy for attendance at Council meetings, and the updated employee salary schedule.

Councilmember Thorington noted that he will be absent from the July 11, 2016 meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

  
CLARA R. JIMÉNEZ, MAYOR

  
HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC  
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK