

**TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2019**

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Acting Mayor Blaine Thorington and Councilmembers Loren Belton, Naila Duval, Mark Oaks and Elpidia Saavedra.
Absent: Mayor Clara Jiménez and Mayor Pro Tem J. Eligio Jiménez.
Staff Present: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), City Attorney Gary Cuillier, Finance Director Debbie Zabell (FD Zabell), Chief of Police Curt Ruggles, Public Works Superintendent Rocky Wallace, Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas and Mid Valley Television Manager Judy Devall.

Councilmember Saavedra moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to excuse Mayor C. Jiménez and Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez from the August 12, 2019 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

Washington State Department of Transportation Engineer, Brian Bell provided Council with an overview of the proposed US 97 Corridor safety improvements that include roundabouts at both Jones Road and McDonald Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane Sampson, 512 South Alder Street, Toppenish, on behalf of CSN reported on the success of the National Night Out (NNO) event that was held on August 6, 2019 and expressed her appreciation for the City's participation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Oaks moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to approve Consent Agenda items a through e:

- a. Approve Minutes of the July 22, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Minutes of the August 5, 2019 Study Session.
- c. AB 19-038: Resolution 2019-29, Adopt City of Toppenish Governance Manual.
- d. Approve Payroll Checks Numbers 34658 through 34670 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$195,081.28 dated August 7, 2019.
- e. Approve Claims Checks Numbers 90420 through 90529 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$417,914.20 dated August 12, 2019 and void Check Number NR90348.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Acting Mayor Thorington Read Ordinance 2019-07 into the record: An Ordinance Granting a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Spectrum Pacific West, LLC A/K/A Charter Communications to Operate and Maintain a Cable Communications System Throughout the Cities of Toppenish, Granger, Wapato and Zillah; Setting Forth Provisions, Terms and Conditions of the Grant of Franchise; Providing for City Regulation and Use of the Cable Communications System; Prescribing Penalties for Violation of Franchise Provisions; and Terminating Toppenish Ordinance No. 98-10; Granger Ordinance No. 873; Wapato Ordinance No. 1050; And Zillah Ordinance No. 869.

CM Hoyt updated Council that proposed Ordinance 2019-07 is to adopt the new Cable Communications Franchise Ordinance for the next 10 years with Charter Communications.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to adopt Ordinance 2019-07. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-30: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Toppenish, Washington, Approving and Authorizing the Interlocal Agreement for Administration of Finances Related to Cable Television Franchises.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to adopt Resolution 2019-30. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-31: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Toppenish, Washington, Regarding the Establishment of a Hiring Incentive Program for the Toppenish Police Department.

PC Ruggles presented the proposed Resolution that would establish a Hiring Incentive Program for the Toppenish Police Department.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to adopt Resolution 2019-31. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-32: A Resolution Approving Local Agency Agreement and Prospectus with the Washington State Department of Transportation for the 2020 Sidewalk Improvements Project.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to adopt Resolution 2019-32. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-33: A Resolution Approving General Agreement with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. for Professional Engineering and Surveying Services for 2020 Sidewalk Improvements Project.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to adopt Resolution 2019-33. Motion carried unanimously.

Declare the Second Avenue Reconstruction – Phase 2 and First Avenue Water Main Improvements Project Complete and Start the 60-Day Lien Process.

Councilmember Saavedra moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to Declare the Second Avenue Reconstruction – Phase 2 and First Avenue Water Main Improvements Projects Complete and Start the 60-Day Lien Process. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Agenda for the Tuesday, September 3, 2019 Study Session.

It was the consensus of Council to discuss the 2020 Budget Calendar during the September 3, 2019 Study Session.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Oaks had nothing to report.

Councilmember Saavedra reported on the positive feedback she has received on the NNO.

Councilmember Belton reported his attendance at the Cable Regulation Board meeting on July 24, 2019 as well as the NNO on August 6, 2019.

Councilmember Thorington reported his attendance at the NNO and thanked Diane Sampson for her work in making the NNO a great event.

Councilmember Duval had nothing to report.

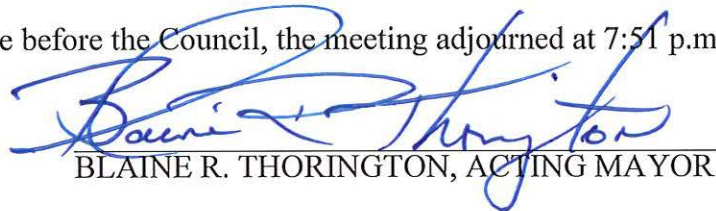
CITY MANAGER REPORT

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- City Manager Evaluation Interviews scheduled for September 20 and 21, 2019
- Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Update
- West First Avenue Sidewalk Project Update
- Thanked City staff for their work at the NNO on August 6, 2019
- Public Works Shop Update

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.


BLAINE R. THORINGTON, ACTING MAYOR


HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK