

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2021

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

REMOTE MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

CC Riojas recited the remote meeting instructions for the record pursuant to Governor Inslee's Emergency Proclamation with the temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act during the COVID-19 Outbreak that prohibit all in-person public comments. In addition, she recited the instructions to attend the meeting in "listen only" mode by using the call-in phone number.

ROLL CALL

Remote Attendees: Mayor Mark Oaks, Mayor Pro Tem Elpidia Saavedra, and Councilmembers Loren Belton, Juan Ceja, Naila Duval, George Garcia, and Clara Jiménez.
Remote Staff: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), City Attorney Gary Cuillier, Administrative Services Director Debbie Zabell, Permit Coordinator Victor Shaul, City Clerk Heidi Riojas (CC Riojas), and Cable Television Manager Judy Devall.

CC Riojas conducted roll call for each City Councilmember to respond their attendance at the meeting. Mayor Oaks, Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra, and Councilmembers Belton, Ceja, Duval, Garcia, and Jiménez responded their remote attendance during roll call.

APPROVE AGENDA

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra to approve the February 22, 2021 Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

ADVANCE PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED BY 4:00 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 22, 2021

CC Riojas noted the City received no public comments by the 4:00 p.m. deadline prior to the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra moved, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to approve Consent Agenda items a through d:

- a. Approve Minutes of the February 1, 2021 Study Session
- b. Approve Minutes of the February 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
- c. Approve Payroll Checks Number 35205 through 35215 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$227,371.06 dated February 18, 2021
- d. Approve Claims Checks Number 93286 through 93354 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$240,703.41 dated February 22, 2021 and void Checks NR93259 and NR93259-2

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Oaks Read Ordinance 2021-02 into the Record: An Ordinance Amending Section 15.01.010 of the Toppenish Municipal Code for Adoption of Referenced Building Codes and Amendments Thereto.

Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra moved, seconded by Councilmember Belton to adopt Ordinance 2021-02. Motion carried. Councilmember Jiménez voted no.

Mayor Oaks Read Ordinance 2021-03 into the Record: An Ordinance Amending and Enacting New Sections to Chapter 15.30 of the Toppenish Municipal Code for Flood Damage Prevention.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to adopt Ordinance 2021-03. Motion carried. Councilmember Jiménez voted no.

Resolution 2021-09: A Resolution Approving Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus with Washington State Department of Transportation for the 2020 Sidewalk Improvements Project.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to approve Resolution 2021-09. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-10: A Resolution Approving Local Agency Agreement Supplement with Washington State Department of Transportation for the West First Avenue Sidewalk Improvements Project.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Jiménez to approve Resolution 2021-10. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Agenda for the March 1, 2021 Study Session.

It was the consensus of Council to have further discussion on Ordinance 2021-01 and updates for the fee resolution.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Ceja had nothing to report.

Councilmember Garcia reported his online participation in the AWC City Action Days on February 10, 2021 and February 11, 2021. He noted his delivery of food and snow removal for elderly residents.

Councilmember Belton had nothing to report.

Councilmember Jiménez had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra had nothing to report.

Councilmember Duval had nothing to report.

Mayor Oaks had nothing to report.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- YVCOG General Membership meeting with presentation by Karen Francis-McWhite with Department of Commerce
- Police Chief Recruitment progress
- Public Works projects
- Extreme Weather Shelter
- Attended AWC virtual City Action Days

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.



MARK OAKS, MAYOR



HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC, CITY CLERK