

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 11, 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 Naila Duval, George Garcia, and Clara Jiménez.
Absent: Councilmembers Loren Belton and Juan Ceja.
Remote Staff: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), City Attorney Gary Cuillier, Administrative Services Director Debbie Zabell, Interim Chief of Police Tim Bardwell, Public Works Superintendent Rocky Wallace, 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 Duval, Garcia, and Jiménez responded their remote attendance during roll call. Councilmember Belton and Ceja were not present at the meeting.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to excuse Councilmember Belton from the January 11, 2021 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to excuse Councilmember Ceja from the January 11, 2021 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra moved, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to approve the January 11, 2021 Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Oaks recited the Proclamation to proclaim the week of January 18, 2021 through January 24, 2021 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Week.

ADVANCE PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED BY 4:00 P.M. ON JANUARY 11, 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 g:

- a. Approve Minutes of the December 14, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Minutes of the January 4, 2021 Study Session.
- c. Approve Payroll Checks Number 35125 through 35134, and 35137 through 35162 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$248,859.90 dated December 21, 2020 and void Checks Number 35135 and 35136.
- d. Approve Payroll Checks Number 35163 through 35175 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$159,370.33 dated January 6, 2021.
- e. Approve Claims Checks Number 93034 through 93083 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$239,726.07 dated December 28, 2020 and void Check Number 90598.
- f. Approve Claims Checks Number 93084 through 93132 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$107,195.21 dated December 31, 2020 for Period 13.1.
- g. Approve Claims Checks Number 93133 through 93159 and EFTAP1/2021 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$371,642.61 dated January 11, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Oaks Read Ordinance 2021-01 into the Record: An Ordinance Amending and Adding Sections to Chapter 5.65 of the Toppenish Municipal Code Regulating Parades, Athletic Events and Other Special Events Within the City of Toppenish.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to refer proposed Ordinance 2021-01 to the March 1, 2021 Study Session for further discussion. Motion carried. Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra voted no.

Resolution 2021-01: A Resolution Approving Inter-Local Agreement Between Yakima Technology Services and the Toppenish Police Department Relating to Law Enforcement Information Technology Services.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra to adopt Resolution 2021-01. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-02: A Resolution Approving Agreement With HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services.

Councilmember Duval moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra to adopt Resolution 2021-02. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-03: A Resolution Approving Agreement With Gray & Osborne, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services.

Councilmember Duval moved, seconded by Councilmember Jiménez to adopt Resolution 2021-03. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-04: A Resolution Selecting HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for the Engineering Design and Construction Observation Services for the Train Depot Roof Rehabilitation Project.

Councilmember Duval moved, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to adopt Resolution 2021-04. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Agenda for the February 1, 2021 Study Session.

It was the consensus of Council to receive a presentation from Yakima Valley Conference of Governments Executive Director Chris Wickenhagen and receive an update on the Police Department during the February 1, 2021 Study Session.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Duval shared that the Heritage University Language Center is offering Ichishkin language classes to the community who want to learn the Yakama language.

Councilmember Garcia reported his donations to the Extreme Weather Shelter and his assistance installing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors for his neighbor.

Councilmember Jiménez had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra had nothing to report.

Mayor Oaks had nothing to report.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- January 9, 2021 National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
- Extreme Weather Shelter will soon be a 24-hour shelter
- New Public Works building

ADJOURNMENT

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


HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC, CITY CLERK


MARK OAKS, MAYOR