

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 25, 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, Interim Chief of Police Tim Bardwell, Public Works Superintendent Rocky Wallace, 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 Councilmember Garcia to approve the January 25, 2021 Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

ADVANCE PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED BY 4:00 P.M. ON JANUARY 25, 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 Duval to approve Consent Agenda items a through d:

- a. Approve Minutes of the January 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Payroll Checks Number 35176 through 35190 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$235,455.74 dated January 20, 2021.
- c. Approve Claims Checks Number 93160 through 93183 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$82,109.52 dated January 20, 2021 for Period 13.2 to pay December 31, 2020 invoices.

d. Approve Claims Checks Number 93184 through 93225 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$31,586.96 dated January 25, 2021 and void Check Number 93136.
Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Technical Assistance Contract With the Yakima County Council of Governments for Land-Use and Planning Review Services.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Belton to approve Resolution 2021-05. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2021-06: A Resolution Approving General Agreement With HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. for the Water Service Meter Replacement Project.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Jiménez to approve Resolution 2021-06. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Belton had nothing to report.

Councilmember Ceja had nothing to report.

Councilmember Duval expressed her appreciation to Astria Toppenish Hospital and the Toppenish School District for organizing the vaccination clinic on January 22, 2021. She also thanked the people that volunteered to display the luminaries on Fort Road to recognize the lives lost to COVID-19 in Yakima County.

Councilmember Garcia had nothing to report.

Councilmember Jiménez reported her participation in the Martin Luther King Jr. Peace Drive on January 18, 2021 and that the event well attended by the community. She thanked City staff in the Fire, Police, and Public Works Departments that assisted in the MLK Peace Drive. Councilmember Jiménez announced that the vaccination clinic distributed 319 vaccines on January 22, 2021.

Mayor Pro Tem Saavedra had nothing to report.

Mayor Oaks had nothing to report.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

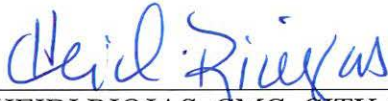
- MLK Peace Drive
- February 1, 2021 Study Session agenda topics
- Public Works projects
- Extreme Weather Shelter is a 24-hour shelter

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.



MARK OAKS, MAYOR



HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC, CITY CLERK