

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2019

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Clara Jiménez, Mayor Pro Tem J. Eligio Jiménez and Councilmembers Mark Oaks, Naila Prieto, Elpidia Saavedra and Blaine Thorington.

Absent: Councilmember Gabriel Piñon.

Staff Present: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), City Attorney Gary Cuillier, Finance Director Debbie Zabell (FD Zabell), Police Chief Curt Ruggles and Mid Valley Television Manager Judy Devall.

Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez moved, and seconded by Councilmember Oaks to excuse Councilmember Piñon from the March 11, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Andrea Rios, 14 Buena Way, Toppenish, expressed her support for Yakima County Health Department's proposed Syringe Exchange Program locating in Toppenish.

Dr. Christina Nyirati, 40 Meridian Way, Yakima, expressed her support for Yakima County Health Department's proposed Syringe Exchange Program locating in Toppenish.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez to approve Consent Agenda items a through f:

- a. Approve Minutes of the February 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Minutes of the March 4, 2019 Study Session.
- c. Receive February 2019 Financial Report.
- d. Approve Pay Estimate #3 to Apollo, Inc. in the amount of \$147,914.86 with retainage held in the amount of \$6,631.17 for Well No. 5 Improvements Project.
- e. Approve Payroll Checks Numbers 34516 through 34528 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$143,201.67 dated March 6, 2019.
- f. Approve Claims Checks Numbers 89613 through 89704 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$496,261.56 dated March 11, 2019 and Void Check Number 89598.

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Receive report from Councilmember Piñon on his visit to the Yakima Syringe Exchange Site.

Due to Councilmember Piñon's absence, no report was provided.

Continue discussion on Yakima Health District Syringe Exchange Site locating to Toppenish.

CM Hoyt provided a recap of the information shared by the Yakima County Health Department at the March 4, 2019 Study Session.

Councilmembers discussed the program and authorized the CM Hoyt to work with the Yakima County Health Department to establish a trial program.

Councilmember Prieto moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez to approve the Yakima County Health District to start a Syringe Exchange Site in Toppenish on a trial basis. Motion carried with five yes votes and one no vote. Councilmember Saavedra voted no.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2019-12: A Resolution Approving Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Contract Amendment for the Well No. 5 Rehabilitation Improvements Project.

CM Hoyt noted that Resolution 2019-12 is to authorize Amendment No. 1 to accept increased funding for the Well No. 5 project due to construction bids being higher than anticipated. The additional funding increases the City's loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund from \$1,388,988.36 to \$1,611,118.36.

Councilmember Oaks moved, seconded by Councilmember Saavedra to adopt Resolution 2019-12. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Agenda for the December 3, 2018 Study Session.

It was the consensus of Council to discuss the 2019 Fee Resolution during the April 1, 2019 Study Session.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Councilmember reports.

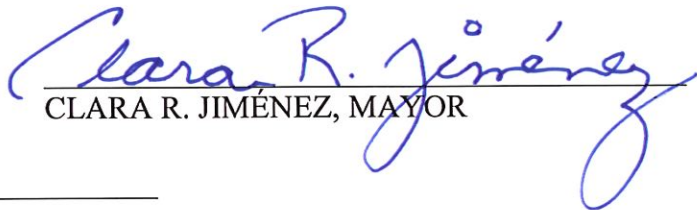
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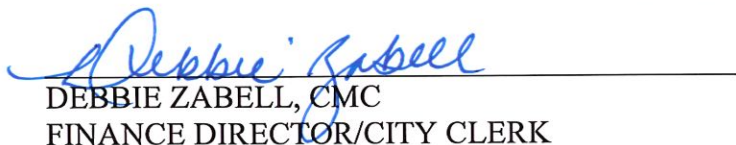
CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- The AWC Elected Officials Essentials Webinar Series begins on March 13, 2019. The City Council discussed watching the webinar together at a scheduled meeting or watching independently or a combination of both. Mayor C. Jiménez, Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez and Councilmembers Oaks, Prieto and Thorington noted they would attend a training meeting on March 13, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Staff will post the Special Meeting Notice as required by RCW 42.30.080.
- AWC Annual Conference is June 25, 2019 through June 28, 2019 in Spokane.
- Provided project updates on West First Avenue Overlay and Well No. 5 projects.
- Yakima Valley Council of Government meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. in Selah.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.


CLARA R. JIMÉNEZ, MAYOR


DEBBIE ZABELL, CMC
FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY CLERK