

**TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**November 27, 2017**

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

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Clara Jiménez and Councilmembers Mark Oaks, Derald Ortloff, Blaine Thorington and Angelia Walle.

Absent: Councilmembers J. Eligio Jiménez and Gabriel Piñon.

Staff Present: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), City Attorney Gary Cuillier, Finance Director Debbie Zabell (FD Zabell), MidValley Television Manager Judy Devall and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to excuse Councilmember J. Jiménez and Councilmember Gabriel Piñon from the November 27, 2017 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Roger Harnack, Editor and Publisher, *Daily Sun News*, 600 South Sixth Street, Sunnyside, Washington, introduced himself and his newspaper to Council as a publication option for the City's legal needs with the recent announcement of the closing of the *Review-Independent*.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Oaks moved, seconded by Councilmember Walle to approve Consent Agenda items a through c:

- a. Approve Minutes of the November 13, 2017 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Payroll Checks Number 34003 through 34018 and EFTPR967 through EFTPR974 in the total amount of \$224,468.89 dated November 21, 2017 and void Check Numbers 33808 and 34003.
- c. Approve Claims Checks Number 87053 through 87124, EFTBF112017, EFTAP183, EFTAP184 and Banking Fees in the total amount of \$266,279.36 dated November 27, 2017 and void Checks Number 86182 and 87040.

Motion carried unanimously.

## PUBLIC HEARING

### **Public Hearing Regarding the 2018 Final Budget. Receive Staff Presentation and Public Comments on 2018 Final Budget.**

Mayor C. Jiménez opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

FD Zabell reported that this is the final public hearing required by State Statute for the City to conduct for the 2018 Final Budget. For the benefit of the public, FD Zabell recited excerpts from her Memo to Council that the 2018 Final Budget sets forth the complete financial program, showing expenditures proposed for each department and the sources of revenues to finance those expenditures. FD Zabell noted that Council received a balanced Budget without reducing essential public services and without personnel layoffs or furloughs.

Councilmember Thorington and Mayor C. Jiménez expressed their appreciation to FD Zabell and her staff for successfully completing the budget on schedule.

There being no comments from the public, Mayor C. Jiménez closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Mayor C. Jiménez read Ordinance 2017-09 into the record: An Ordinance Adopting the 2018 Budget for the City of Toppenish, Washington.**

CM Hoyt updated Council that proposed Ordinance 2017-09 to Adopt the 2018 Budget for the City.

Councilmember Walle moved, seconded by Councilmember Ortloff to adopt Ordinance 2017-09. Motion carried unanimously.

**Mayor C. Jiménez read Ordinance 2017-10 into the record: An Ordinance Amending the 2017 Operating Budget and Amending Ordinance 2016-14 and Ordinance 2017-08 for the City of Toppenish, Washington.**

FD Zabell updated Council that proposed Ordinance 2017-10 to Adopt the Second Amendment the 2017 Budget to adjust for the unbudgeted costs resulting during the year.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to adopt Ordinance 2017-10. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution 2017-40: A Resolution Approving First Amendment to Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Sunnyside and the City of Toppenish for Municipal Court Services.**

CM Hoyt noted that proposed Resolution 2017-40 is to amend the Interlocal Agreement between the Cities of Sunnyside and Toppenish for Municipal Court Services to reduce the monthly expenses by not including Public Defense Services. The City of Toppenish pays for its own public defense services.

Councilmember Oaks moved, seconded by Councilmember Ortloff to adopt Resolution 2017-40. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution 2017-41: A Resolution Declaring Certain Property as Surplus and Authorizing the Disposition Thereof.**

CM Hoyt noted that proposed Resolution 2017-41 is to declare items listed on Exhibit A as surplus to be sold on Public Surplus.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Walle to adopt Resolution 2017-41. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution 2017-42: A Resolution Approving Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Toppenish, Washington and Yakima County, Washington, Through its Public Services Department for On-Call Services on Federal Funded Projects.**

CM Hoyt noted that proposed Resolution 2017-42 is to authorize an Interlocal Agreement with Yakima County through its Public Services Department for On-Call Services for federal funded projects.

Councilmember Walle moved, seconded by Councilmember Thorington to adopt Resolution 2017-42. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution 2017-43: A Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Submit Application to the State of Washington Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for Funding in the Amount of \$1,310,624.48 for the Water Mains Improvements Project to Replace and Install New Portions Identified as the City's Top Priorities in the City's Water System Plan.**

CM Hoyt noted that proposed Resolution 2017-43 is to authorize the City Manager to submit application to the State of Washington DWSRF for funding for the Water Mains Improvements Project.

Councilmember Oaks moved, seconded by Councilmember Ortloff to adopt Resolution 2017-43. Motion carried unanimously.

## COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor C. Jiménez noted that she attended the Joint Fire Commissioners and Mayor's Meeting on November 16, 2017, the Lighted Parade on November 25, 2017 and the Toy Train Christmas at the Depot on November 25, 2017 and November 26, 2017.

## CITY MANAGER REPORTS

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- Public Works Fire insurance claim.
- DRYVE meeting and YCDA meeting
- Joint Fire Commissioners and Mayor's meeting to discuss proposal to reconstruct the EMS Levy formula.
- West Second Avenue – Phase 1 street opened last week for traffic.
- Penny Lane Lift Station reconstruction.
- Toppenish/Zillah bridge ribbon cutting on November 29, 2017.
- USDA Rural Development Loan – nothing new to report.
- TIB awards for 2019 Arterial Preservation Project and Mural Route Sidewalk Improvements.
- AWC Elected Officials Essentials training on December 2, 2017.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

  
CLARA R. JIMENEZ, MAYOR

  
HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC  
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK