

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2019

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor C. Jiménez, Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez and Councilmembers Loren Belton, Naila Duval, Mark Oaks, Elpidia Saavedra and Blaine Thorington.
Staff Present: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), City Attorney Gary Cuillier, Finance Director Debbie Zabell (FD Zabell), Fire Chief Tim Smith, Public Works Superintendent Rocky Wallace (PWS Wallace), Accounting Manager Jamison Horner, City Clerk Heidi Riojas and Mid Valley Television Manager Judy Devall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alex Mejia, 402 Bolin Drive, Toppenish, expressed his concerns with Council regarding the need for sidewalk improvements for the East side of the community.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Saavedra moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to approve Consent Agenda items a through e:

- a. Approve Minutes of the September 23, 2019 Special Meeting.
- b. Approve Minutes of the September 23, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
- c. Approve Minutes of the October 7, 2019 Study Session.
- d. Approve Payroll Checks Numbers 34710 through 34724 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$154,680.96 dated October 11, 2019.
- e. Approve Claims Checks Numbers 90750 through 90868 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$461,621.76 dated October 14, 2019 and void Check Number NR83311.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentations by City Manager and Administrative Services Director Regarding 2020 Preliminary Budget.

City Manager Hoyt (CM Hoyt) presented the proposed 2020 Preliminary Budget and recited the budget message that included significant changes from the previous year concerning revenues and expenditures. He further noted that the City Council will be discussing the 2020 Preliminary Budget in future Council meetings.

Resolution 2019-39: A Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Submit an Application to the Washington State Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation for the 2019 Historic

Cemetery Preservation Capital Grant Program, for a Grant of \$50,000.00 for Cemetery Improvements.

PWS Wallace noted that the proposed resolution is to authorize the City Manager to submit an application to the Washington State Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation for a \$50,000 grant to make cemetery improvements.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to adopt Resolution 2019-39. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-40: A Resolution Adopting the 2019 Yakima County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and Adopting the National Incident Management System as the Official Emergency Response Plan for the City of Toppenish, Washington.

FC Smith noted that the proposed resolution is to adopt the 2019 Yakima County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and adopt the National Incident Management System as the Official Response Plan for the City.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez to adopt Resolution 2019-40. Motion carried unanimously.

Authorize Payment of Natural Selections Farms Invoice.

PWS Wallace noted that the current Natural Selections Farms Invoice represents biosolids removal for a two-year period consisting of the last half of 2017 through August 2019.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez to authorize payment of the Natural Selections Farms Invoice for \$43,511.27. Motion carried unanimously.

Declare 2019 Sidewalk and Resurfacing Improvements Project Complete and Start 60-day Lien Process.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Oaks to Declare the 2019 Sidewalk and Resurfacing Improvements Project Complete and Start the 60-Day Lien Process. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Agenda for November 4, 2019 Study Session.

It was the consensus of Council to receive the FCS Group update and hold an executive session for labor negotiations as the agenda items for the November 4, 2019 Study Session.

COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Oaks nothing to report.

Councilmember Saavedra nothing to report.

Councilmember Belton nothing to report.

Councilmember Thorington nothing to report.

Councilmember Duval reported her attendance at the Community Safety Network (CSN) Community Fall Clean Up on October 5, 2019.

Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez thanked the community for its participation in the CSN Fall Clean Up.

Mayor C. Jiménez reported her attendance at the TFAC/LTAC Joint Meeting and the CSN Fall Clean up.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- Letter mailed to the Board of Yakima County Commissioners in support of single ambulance provider within Yakima County Trauma Zone 1 for Emergency Medical Response area with guaranteed response times.
- Relight Washington Completion with an estimated \$32,000 annual savings for the City
- EPA Shoreline Master Program
- YVCOG meeting October 16, 2019 in Selah
- IACC Conference from October 22, 2019 through October 24, 2019 in Wenatchee
- 2020 Yakima County Legislative Priorities meeting October 23, 2019
- AWC Cities on Tap meeting October 23, 2019

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.


CLARA R. JIMÉNEZ, MAYOR


HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC, CITY CLERK