

CITY OF WAPATO
Regular Council Meeting – Council Chambers
Minutes of May 2, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Guzmán called the regular Council meeting of Monday, May 2, 2016 to order at 7:00 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Alvarado led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Those in attendance included Mayor Tony Guzmán, Councilmembers Rick Foss, Rita Alvarado, and Roberto Reyna. Councilmember Frank Jaime was present via telephone.

ABSENT: None

CITY STAFF: City Attorney (CA) Kellen Holgate, Fire Chief (FC) Santos Valdez, Clerk-Treasurer (CT) Susan Pearson, Public Works Director (PWD) Menglou Wang, Police Sergeant (Srgt) Michael Deccio and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer (DCT) Gloria Acosta.

CITY STAFF ABSENT: Police Chief (PC) Richard Needham, was excused.

HONORS/RECOGNITION: None

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO PROPOSED AGENDA: **Motion** by Councilmember Alvarado, seconded by Councilmember Reyna, to move #4 on the agenda to #5. Motion carried unanimously

Council Application Position #5: Workman K: Introduced himself and thanked Council for considering him for Council position #5.

Council Application Position #5: Diaz S.: Introduced himself and thanked Council for considering him for Council position #5.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Qualifications of a candidate RCW 42.30.110(1) (h) Mayor Guzmán stated that the executive session will last 10 minutes and there will be a decision afterwards. He recessed the regular business meeting at 7:04 p.m. The executive session was opened at 7:05 p.m. The Executive session closed at 7:19 p.m. The regular business meeting opened at 7:21 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Reyna, seconded by Councilmember Foss, to appoint Stephen Diaz to Council Position #5. Motion carried unanimously. CT Pearson swore in Mr. Diaz.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: **Motion** by Councilmember Foss, seconded by Councilmember Alvarado, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- a. Corrections to Minutes

b. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Council meeting-April 18, 2016
2. Work Session meeting minutes-April 18, 2016

c. Approval of Claims and Payroll

1. Claims Vouchers 5/02/2016 \$139,773.44 check numbers 153881, 153940-153998 plus EFT payments (voided 153884-153939,&153963
2. Payroll Vouchers -5/02/2016 \$95,510.10 check numbers 153870-153880 plus direct deposit
3. Court Bond Trust March-2016 \$19,023.97 #2821-2825, 28231

WWTP- Upgrade Progress Payment: None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

PUBLIC HEARING: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Pro Tem election: Motion by Councilmember Foss, seconded by Councilmember Reyna, to table for next Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Council does not have to act on the following items because this is the first touch, unless, they make a motion to do so.

Liquor License Renewal-Cross Roads Market: Motion by Councilmember Foss, seconded by Councilmember Reyna, to make 11a an action item. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Councilmember Foss, seconded by Councilmember Reyna, to approve 11a as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

DISCUSSION: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor's Report:

- Mayor Guzman thanked Councilmembers Alvarado and Reyna for greeting the peaceful labor march on May 1, 2016 when they stopped for a break at the Lions Park.
- Mayor Guzman announced that he has a meeting with the Yakama Nation Housing Director Craig Dougall, regarding the swimming pool.
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Police Department: A handout was provided

- Sgt Deccio confirmed that Officer Hernandez is currently doing well in the Reserve Academy he is on his 12th week.

- Sgt Deccio announced that the City of Wapato is hiring for Corrections and have received 3-4 applications.
- Sgt Deccio mentioned that Officer Carter is at the Academy and he is on his 12th week.
- Sgt Deccio stated that three officers are out with physical problems.
- Sgt Deccio mentioned that Officer Salas completed the PREA training. Corrections Officers Martinez, Hernandez, and Stephas, and Police Officers Eismann and Sperle completed the firearms and Taser re-qualifications. Officers Sperle and Lawther attended Field Training Officer School.
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- **Fire Department:**
- FC Valdez stated that a new Firefighter was hired his name is Kenny Garza
FC Valdez congratulated the new Councilmember Stephen Diaz.
FC Valdez mentioned that we need to be NIMS compliant. If questions please contact him. So that the City can qualify for Federal Grants.

Public Works Department:

- **N. Wasco/Sitcum Ave** – The contractor Granite started construction on April 5. They have finished waterline and storm drain installations, and placed road base course. They are installing road curbs and gutters. The foreman believes they can finish the project in May. There is no change order so far. Most likely, there won't be any change order for the project.
- **9th Street Sidewalk** – G&O is finalizing the plans and bidding documents. The project will be ready for advertisement in a couple of weeks. Construction will start in June.
- **North Wapato Lift Station** – The project is under environmental review, which will be done by May 23rd. G&O will start design work once the environmental review is complete.
- **LED Street Light Upgrade** – We received the executed grant agreement from TIB today. Now we can start the project. I will call Pacific Power to schedule a site inspection. People are excited about the project because they saw Mayor Guzman talking about the project on TV.
- **RCO Grant Application** – RCO (State Recreation and Conservation Office) grants are available for park improvements. The City received RCO grants for soccer field improvements in the past. This time we have applied for funding for 2 basketball courts, a restroom, a picnic shelter, and playground equipment. The total project cost is \$165,500. The grant application due date is midnight today. We submitted the application this afternoon.
- **Public Works Job Opening** – We have posted a job announcement for a summer temporary public works maintenance worker. People who are interested may visit the

City Website or come to City Hall to obtain the application package. The deadline to submit the job application is 4:00 pm on May 16, 2016.

Admin/Finance:

- CT Pearson handed out Council rules. Stated that she has updated the Councilmember handbook please bring to City hall to update your book.

Planning:

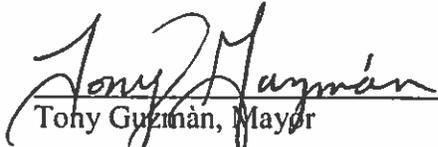
- FC Valdez announced that there are still vacant seats and anyone interested please submit a letter of interest, be a registered voter and live within City limits.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: None

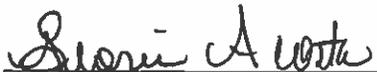
EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Councilmember Reyna, seconded by Councilmember Jaime, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.



Tony Guzmán, Mayor



Gloria Acosta, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer