

**CITY OF OKANOGAN
COUNCIL MINUTES
November 21, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Okanogan City Council was called to order by Mayor Culp at 7:00 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were:

Present: Mayor Jon Culp Councilmembers: Patricia Stanton, Lisa Bauer, Wayne Turner, Kristina McIntosh and by phone Denise Varner at 7:07 p.m., who had been excused, but asked to participate.

Also Present: Clerk Treasurer Craig Attwood, and Utilities Clerk Laura Divis.

Excused: Minto and Varner

Mayor Culp announced that Councilmember Victoria Minto would not be in attendance at the meeting and that Councilmember Denise Varner was going to attend by phone. McIntosh moved, seconded by Bauer to excuse Councilmember Minto and Varner. Mayor Culp asked if there were any objections to the motion. Seeing none raised, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Culp asked if there were any alterations to the Agenda or Consent Agenda. Turner moved, seconded by McIntosh to approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda as presented. Mayor Culp asked if there were any objections to the motion. Seeing no objection raised, the motion passed without objection.

EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBERS

There were no Pre-excused Councilmembers on the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting of November 7, 2017 were approved with passage of the Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Claims Vouchers numbered 45158 through 45191 dated November 21, 2017 in the amount of \$83,031.75, and a Debit Card Transaction dated October 31, 2017 in the amount of \$123.04 were approved with the Consent Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Culp opened the floor for Public Comment. Seeing none offered, Public Comment was closed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Director of Public Works Davisson submitted a written report.

Clerk's Office submitted a written report and in addition announced the following:

- Posted Council position #5, closes 11.30.2017 at 2:00 p.m.
- Auditor Mr. Gadd would like to hold an entrance conference between November 27th and 30th before 3:00 p.m.
- The PUD finished putting in the LED lights, \$104.00 under budget.

Fire Chief Gavin did not submit a written report and was not present at the meeting.

Sheriff's Department submitted a written report, but was not present at the meeting.

Building Official did not submit a written report and was not present at the meeting.

Code Enforcement Officer did not submit a written report and was not present at the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Business and Tourism:

Councilmember McIntosh announced that the committee has met a couple of times and also with the Okanogan Chamber. The Chamber will be in charge of advertising.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1184: 2018 City of Okanogan Fee Schedule (2nd Reading)

Mayor Culp introduced Ordinance No. 1184 2018 Fee Schedule.

Turner moved, seconded by Stanton to adopt Ordinance No. 1184.

There was a brief discussion.

Vote on the motion.

Ayes: Stanton, McIntosh, Varner, Bauer and Turner

Noes: None

Motion carried: 5 Ayes: 0 Noes

Ordinance No. 1185: 2018 City of Okanogan Budget (2nd Reading)

Mayor Culp asked Clerk Treasurer Craig Attwood to introduce Ordinance No. 1185 2018 Budget. Attwood announced revenues and expenditures had been increased by the following:

ITEM		Revenues	Expenditures
LED Light Conversion		7,000.00	7,000.00
5th Avenue Rehabilitation		55,000.00	55,000.00
Waste Water Treatment Plant		25,000.00	25,000.00
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (Grant)		75,000.00	75,000.00
Total Increase:		162,000.00	162,000.00

McIntosh moved, seconded by Stanton that Ordinance No. 1185 be adopted.

There was a brief discussion.

Vote on the motion.

Ayes: Stanton, McIntosh, Varner, Bauer and Turner

Noes: None

Motion carried: 5 Ayes: 0 Noes

NEW BUSINESS

Wilson Woolschlager: 2017-2018 City Liability Policy Renewal

Mayor Culp introduced Wilson Woolschlager of VIP Insurance Agency.

Stanton moved, seconded by Varner that the 2017-2018 proposed City CIAW General Liability Insurance and VIP agency fee be approved.

There was a brief discussion.

Ayes: Turner, Stanton, McIntosh, Varner and Bauer

Noes: None

Motion carried: 5 Ayes: 0 Noes

Resolution 2017-05: 2018 Business & Tourism Allocations

Mayor Culp asked Clerk-Treasurer Craig Attwood to introduce Resolution 2017-05: 2018 Business & Tourism Allocations.

Stanton moved, seconded by Turner that Resolution No. 2017-05 be approved.

There was a brief discussion.

Ayes: Stanton, McIntosh, Varner, Bauer and Turner

Noes: None

Motion carried: 5 Ayes: 0 Noes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Culp opened the floor and invited Public Comment. Seeing none offered, Public Comment was closed.

COUNCILMEMBER'S COMMENT

Councilmember Bauer talked about a book titled "Blink" that she has read recently. She would like to see a more positive relationship between citizens and the sheriff's department.

Councilmembers Stanton and Varner talked about neighborhood watch programs.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Culp announced-

- Will not be here for December 5th Council Meeting, Wayne Turner will preside over the Council meeting.
- Today, finished up with both unions for Health Insurance. Healthfirst 250 will be the new insurance policy.
- City will pay full premiums for each employee.
- City will contribute \$250 into a VEBA Account for each employee on January 1st for 2018 and 2019 per the city/union agreement.
- City will pay \$175 into a VEBA Account for each employee on July 1st of 2018 and 2019 per city/union agreement.

- If allowed by VEBA, employees can contribute to their VEBA Accounts.
- City agrees to a cash out of sick leave over 960 hours to be put into employee's VEBA accounts.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes taken and prepared by Utilities Clerk Laura Divis

APPROVED:

Jon K Culp, Mayor

ATTEST:

Craig Attwood, Clerk Treasurer