

Regular Council Meeting of August 19, 2025

Present were: Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Shaw, Marthaller, Werner and Moser. Councilman Hart attended via speakerphone. Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Naillon. Pledge of Allegiance given. Copies of the August 6th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Motion by Werner and second by Moser the vouchers \$92,899.84, #35534-35559, DOR-EFT, be paid and the August 15, 2025 payroll of \$58,529.59, #35516-35530, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202529-202530, be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Jake Brown was present with a report on the Gold City Trucks '67-'72 Truck Show held at Deep Bay Park; 65 trucks attended, with roughly 300 people attending. Discussed the positive impacts on the local businesses. Brown thanked the City for allowing the event to take place at Deep Bay Park. Discussed that a raffle was held giving away a truck and a local boy won the raffle. Mayor Naillon stated that he attended the event and the participants were all pleasant to talk to and seemed to be having a great time. Superintendent Thompson stated that the park was left in an extremely clean condition after the event, which he greatly appreciated. Brown stated that he is looking at July 11, 2026 as the date for the next event. Council thanked Brown for the report.

Josh Petker, Sergeant with the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office / North Central Washington Narcotics Task Force (NCWNTF), was present to discuss funding for the NCWNTF program. Petker explained the background of the NCWNTF, which was created in 1988, using funds from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant; Petker stated that the funds go through the Washington State Department of Commerce and they have been reallocated for social services. Petker stated that the NCWNTF received the 2023 Agency of the Year award. Petker stated that the task force consists of himself and two other officers; discussed the number of cases each year and the large busts that have occurred in the North County area. Actual statistics of drugs and weapons seized was given by Petker; emphasized importance of the task force and the need to maintain the task force. Petker stated that they are looking for additional funds for 2026. Petker explained that the Executive Board voted to increase the participation fees. Discussed that the number of overdoses is increasing each year. Petker stated that Oroville's participation fee has been \$5,000; they are needing to increase Oroville's participation fee to \$25,000. Discussed the other communities participation fees. Petker stated that the NCWNTF current budget is approximately \$350,000; the increase would bring their budget to \$425,000. Further discussion on the funds that were taken away, which are federal funds but are allocated by the State. City will take the request into consideration for the 2026 budget process. Council thanked Petker for the information.

Todd McDaniel, City Administrator for the City of Omak, was present to discuss the Interlocal Agreement proposed between Oroville and Omak for the Levee Accreditation Project. Background given on the changes being made to the FEMA maps and the need for Oroville and Omak to re-certify their levy systems to comply with FEMA regulations. McDaniel explained the funds awarded to Omak to mitigate impacts to Oroville and Omak due to the FEMA mapping updates. McDaniel stated that Omak called for RFQ's for consultant services and they did not receive any; J-U-B Engineers is interested in the project, so Omak entered into an agreement with J-U-B for those services. Discussed deadlines for working through the process. Interlocal Agreement will allow Omak and Oroville to work together using the funds awarded to understand the impacts and identify any mitigating projects due to the FEMA mapping updates. McDaniel stated that Omak will take lead on the project and all funds will go through Omak, however, each community will work directly with J-U-B. Review of Resolution #598, approving the Interlocal Agreement with Omak. Motion by Werner, second by Marthaller that Resolution #598 be approved and Mayor Naillon be authorized to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Omak; motion carried unanimously. Council thanked McDaniel for attending the meeting and for the work he has done on the project so far on behalf of Oroville.

North End Water Main Engineering Agreement with Varela, using Okanogan County .09 funds, explained by Mayor Naillon and Superintendent Thompson; agreement is for engineering planning and design of the first phase of the water main replacement so that the project would be shovel ready if funding becomes available. Agreement is for \$116,000; \$100,000 is from .09 funds and the remaining \$16,000 will be funded by the City. Planning area explained by Superintendent Thompson. Motion by Moser, second by Werner that Mayor Naillon be authorized to sign the agreement with Varela; motion carried unanimously.

Request for Utility Extension on Sawtell Road submitted by Sean Harrington, on behalf of Sand Bros, explained by Superintendent Thompson; request is for both water and sewer connection. Discussion on the City's water service area; Thompson to look at the boundaries to determine if the request is within the service area. Motion by Werner, second by Marthaller to grant preliminary approval to move forward with the extension based on the determination of the water service boundary and with the requirement that the extension meet installation standards, which include engineered plans; motion carried unanimously.

Department of Commerce 2027 Periodic Update Grant explained by Mayor Naillon and Contract Planner Kurt Danison; Oroville has a statutory deadline of June 30, 2027 to complete the update. The Planning Update Grant is a non-competitive grant for \$20,000 for 2026/2027 to update the comp plan and implement regulations. Review of letter of support needed to be submitted with the grant application. Motion by Werner, second by Shaw that Mayor Naillon be authorized to sign the letter to be submitted with the grant application; motion carried.

Chamber of Commerce Utility Billing Insert Request received. The insert will advertise the Oroville City Wide Fall Yard Sale sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and they would use funds from their hotel/motel tax award to reimburse the City for the cost of the insert. Motion by Shaw, second by Marthaller that the request be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Department Head Updates

Police Chief Hirst reported on recent crimes, which included a break-in and a fire started at the ballfield dugout; suspects were caught for both crimes.

Police Chief Hirst reported that Michael Kim started with the department on Monday, August 18th, in the Sergeant's position. Hirst also reported that Officer Bailey Wessale has turned in her letter of resignation, effective September 30th; Wessale's last working day will be September 15th, then she will use vacation for the remainder of September. Hirst stated that the Civil Service will be holding another exam in the near future and he hopes to have Wessale's position filled as soon as possible.

Clerk Denney discussed the proposed 2026 Budget Workshop Schedule; Denney expressed her appreciation for holding the workshops at 4:30 and she hopes that the Council will agree to the 4:30 time for this year as well.

Proposed 2026 Budget Workshop Schedule:

September 23rd & 30th, October 14th and November 12th ~ beginning at 4:30 pm

Council agreed with the proposed dates and time.

Superintendent Thompson reported that the divers were in Oroville today; they fixed the leak in the North End reservoir and cleaned two reservoirs.

Superintendent Thompson reported that the compressor has gone out of the Library HVAC System; quote has been received from Cascade Mechanical for \$6,949.52, plus tax. Discussed that Cascade Mechanical also submitted a quote to replace the entire system for \$22,844.60. Clerk Denney stated that the current system was installed in 2019 for a total cost of \$13,583.14; in November of 2023, the compressor and control board were replaced for \$2,511.36. Council agreed to go with the quote for replacing the compressor for \$6,949.52.

Okanogan County Transportation & Nutrition Thank You letter received for the support of \$2,500.

As there being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm by Mayor Naillon.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk