

Regular Council Meeting of February 3, 2026

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Naillon. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the January 20th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Motion by Werner and second by Moser the vouchers \$132,200.24, #36221-36243 (void #36225), DOR-EFT1, be paid, manual checks \$2,330.12, Park Account EFT #990571, Checking Account EFT #990513, Checking Account #36133-36137, 36177-36179, be paid, and the January 31, 2026 payroll of \$94,061.88, #36180-36220, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202603-202604, be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Tim Ike, J-U-B Engineers, was present to give updates on the airport fuel system and runway project.

Fuel system design is at 95%, project will go to bid in March, with construction planned for later summer/fall; discussion on site prep and tank construction and delivery by the manufacturer.

Runway Reconstruction project is planned to go to bid in early April. Ike stated that there are a couple of items for Council consideration, which includes possible runway closure during construction. Discussion on reasons for runway closure consideration and construction of the new runway. Ike stated that the irrigation plans have been submitted to the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District for their review; comments from the OTID will be taken into consideration on the final construction plans. Ike stated that during a recent plan review discussion with the FAA, the replacement of the existing chain link fence was discussed. Ike stated that the fencing should be an in-kind replacement, however, the FAA needs justification for the chain link fencing; discussion on Wildlife Hazard Assessment that will be needed. Ike stated that the bid packet will include an alternate bid section for the chain link fencing due to the added step by the FAA. Mayor Naillon questioned if the airport were to be closed, could the helipad be opened in the event of an emergency, discussion on potentials for the fire season; Ike stated that he will have to look into it. Councilmember Moser stated that if the helipad at the airport is not available, the City could possibly reach out to the Border Patrol about using their helipad. Superintendent Thompson stated that Bud Clark Field or Prince Heritage Park could also be used in an emergency. Motion by Werner, second by Moser that a general statement be announced that the airport will be closed during the runway reconstruction project, with a more detailed notice going out after the bid process; motion carried unanimously. Ike will help the City with language for the notice to the airport users. Ike stated that the WSDOT Aviation grant application cycle opens Monday, February 9th, with applications due Friday, March 6th. Ike explained that Oroville's runway reconstruction project is a high scoring project and if awarded, the funding would be 95% FAA, 2% WSDOT and 3% City match funds. Ike explained the grant application process and will have a budget summary prepared for the next Council meeting. Mayor and Council thanked Ike for the updates.

Streetscape/TOI donation letter insert request received; review of insert. Motion by Hart, second by Werner that the insert be included with the February bills, with Streetscape/TOI reimbursing the City for actual insert charges; motion carried unanimously.

Planning Commission reappointment request received for Suzi Seger and Valorie Johnston. Motion by Werner, second by Marthaller that Seger and Johnston be reappointed; motion carried unanimously.

Department Head Updates

Police Chief Hirst reported that he missed the previous Council meeting due to taking his patrol vehicle to North Bend for warranty work. Hirst stated that he had wanted to report during that meeting that a Lateral Officer was testing with the Civil Service; the Lateral Officer passed the Civil Service testing and has passed the polygraph, psychological and background checks. Officer Ryan Valdez has been hired and started effective February 3rd. Hirst stated that Valdez worked with him today and he anticipates that Valdez will be a good fit for Oroville. Hirst stated that Officer Mauigoa will be returning from maternity leave this week. Hirst explained the training that will be presented by the Washington State Patrol that Mauigoa and Valdez will attend at the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office later this week. Hirst reported on activities that took place over the weekend.

Superintendent Thompson stated that the new lawn mower and side-by-side have been received and he looks forward to putting them into service. Thompson also discussed that the city crew took the pump system off of the fire truck to be surplus and put it on the old garbage truck that had been converted to a water truck.

Clerk Denney reported that Mayor Naillon, Councilmember Hart and Denney attended the January 13th Rural Fire Commissioners meeting to discuss the Fire Protection Services Agreement that needs to be renewed this year. Denney stated that the draft with the revised language has been provided to the Rural Fire District for their consideration during their February 10th meeting and she hopes that Council will have it for consideration during the February 17th Council meeting. Mayor Naillon further discussed the meeting with the Rural Fire Commissioners and stated that the Rural Fire Commissioners have appointed Emily Finsen as their new Secretary.

Kathy Larsen was present and thanked the City for the work everyone does.

As there being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm by Mayor Naillon.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk