

Regular Council Meeting of April 21, 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 April 7th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Motion by Werner and second by Moser the vouchers \$120,861.14, #36514-3629, be paid and the April 15, 2026 payroll of \$60,403.74, #36496-36507, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202614-202615, be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Representatives from the All4Paws Okanogan Rescue team were present; those in attendance: Renee Bretz, Tami Tatom, Kylie Corne, Sonya Browder and Pati Burns. The All4Paws Okanogan Rescue is a nonprofit, foster based dog rescue providing safe, loving care and enrichment for dogs in crisis, while they await their forever home; they offer adoption, fostering and crisis intervention. Bretz further explained their mission, the services provided and their vision. Tatom highlighted a few dogs that have been handled through their program. Tatom discussed promotion of All4Paws and events held to fund their services; a list of sponsors was provided to the Council as well as copies of their donation request form, business cards and stickers. Discussion on statistics for services provided. Burns expressed her support of the group and the services they provide. Corne discussed the education they provide and their involvement with rescues. Discussed that they currently do not have a facility and all dogs are in foster care; seeking funds to build a facility. Discussed need for additional foster homes and that all of the dogs' needs are supplied by the group (food, medical services, etc.). Discussed how they are getting the word out for support. Handout was provided for the upcoming National Pet Day event to be held in Tonasket on Sunday, April 26th from 11 am – 2 pm to meet the fosters, meet the team and join the team for a group dog walk around town with the rescue dogs. Mayor and Council thanked the All4Paws representatives for attending the meeting and sharing the information on the services provided.

Salley Bull was present with a request to close a portion of Appleway during the September 19th Farmer's Market Health Care and Resources Day event; discussed that the request was briefly discussed with the park use application during a previous meeting and the closure was included in the approval. Bull stated that she has submitted the sidewalk sign permit applications; applications will be forwarded to Building Official Forbus for approval. Bull further discussed events planned for this year's Farmer's Market season.

Councilmember Shaw updated the Council on the status of the AWC Center of Quality Communities Scholarship; Oroville's nominated student was not selected. Shaw explained the scholarship program to the public in attendance.

Friends of the Library (FOL) submitted an application for the Adopt-A-Park program for Madeline Wells Park; Mayor Naillon stated that the Oroville Market Association (OMA) currently has an active agreement for Madeline Wells Park and perhaps the two groups can work together. Melissa Turner, President of the FOL, stated that the Boy Scouts wanted to be involved through the FOL and she will work with Bull to get the Boy Scouts working with the OMA.

Oroville Housing Authority Commissioner Appointment request received from Heather Rodriguez, OHA Executive Director, requesting that Allen Godwin be appointed to the OHA. Review of Godwin's application to the OHA. Motion by Werner, second by Marthaller that Mayor Naillon be authorized to appoint Godwin to the Oroville Housing Authority Board of Commissioners; motion carried unanimously.

Shelly Roberts was present with the May Day Park Use Application for Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park on Saturday, May 9th. Roberts discussed the lawn ceremonies, vendors and music; Roberts to coordinate with Superintendent Thompson on layout. Motion by Werner, second by Moser that the park use application be approved and the fees be waived, as it is a community event; motion carried unanimously. Mayor Naillon thanked Roberts for helping keep the May Day tradition alive and asked Roberts to thank her son Kacey for his involvement in May Day as well.

Department Head Updates

Police Chief Hirst stated that 11 units of the Taber’s storage units along Bob Neal Road were broken into; 2 individuals were caught and 3 additional units were found to have been broken into as well when Office Valdez was investigating.

Police Chief Hirst stated that Sergeant Kim is investigating a motorhome fire to determine if it was arson, or mechanical failure, which was the cause of an earlier fire in the same motorhome. Chief Hirst thanked Superintendent Thompson and his crew for the immediate cleanup of the area where the fire was located on City property.

Building Official Forbus was present with his building department report; review of permitting activity, inspections and code enforcement updates.

Mayor Naillon requested that Superintendent Thompson install trim on the new sidewalk at the library.

Superintendent Thompson reported that the block wall at the City Park was vandalized/damaged and the City Crew removed it; also reported that the new sign purchased by Streetscape/TOI has been placed at Veteran’s Memorial Park.

Superintendent Thompson reported that Cascade Mechanical was performing the spring maintenance on the library heating and cooling system and discovered that the evaporator coil and drain pan need to be replaced; quote received for \$1,751.83, plus tax. Council approved Superintendent Thompson to proceed with the replacement.

Clerk Denney requested that the approved Finance Committee meeting be held immediately following the Council meeting; request approved.

Mayor Naillon reported on the Park Committee meeting that was held on April 9th and the discussion on the path for going forward. Naillon read his notes from the meeting, which included discussions on a walking path within Henry Kniss Park, potential trail from Henry Kniss Park extending to the North, possible shelter at the City Park near the kiosk and improvements to parking at the City Park. Also discussed the community group that is working to clean up Oroville and the possible cleanup work to be done on the trail near Dollar General, however, Mayor Naillon stated that some of the plantings within that trail system are mitigation plantings and those cleaning it up need to be aware of what needs to stay. Also discussed maintenance at OLVMP and the Police Department. Chief Hirst discussed cleanup that has taken place at the Police Department, again with the assistance of the City Crew.

Mayor Naillon discussed an email he and the Councilmembers received from Dan Lepley regarding the City’s Drone Ordinance. Naillon explained the intent of the ordinance and that it should be revisited, as it was adopted in 2018. Discussion on FAA regulations and the W.A.C. that regulates drone use. Mayor Naillon requested that a Police Committee meeting be scheduled to discuss potential updates to the ordinance. Naillon thanked Lepley for bringing his concerns to the City; Lepley discussed his use of drones and his recommendations for changes to be made to the ordinance. Discussion on ensuring safety of the local citizens. Council agreed that a Police Committee meeting should be scheduled to work on updates to the drone ordinance. Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Hart and Marthaller and Police Chief Hirst to meet in the Council Chambers on Thursday, April 23rd at 3:20 pm.

As there being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm by Mayor Naillon.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk