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**OMAK CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
May 15, 2017**

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Gagné called the regular meeting of the Omak City Council to order at 7:00 PM and everyone joined in the flag salute.

**COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL:**

Michael Foth	Patrick Dalton, Building Official-absent
Nattalie Cariker	Kevin Bowling, Fire Chief
Barry Freel-absent	Jeff Koplín, Police Chief
Steve Clark	Wayne Beetchenow, Assistant Public Works Director
Walt Womack	Connie Thomas, City Clerk
Michelle Gaines	Todd McDaniel, City Administrator
Dave Womack	

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Dave Womack, to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the May 1, 2017 meeting; 2017 claims checks numbered 17169-17236, in the amount of \$1,209,931.27; manual checks numbered 20387-20393 and 4262017, dated from April 1, 2017 through April 30, 2017 in the amount of \$3,280.83. As there was no discussion and no comments from the audience, Council voted and unanimously approved the motion.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**Declaration of National Senior Health & Fitness Day on May 31, 2017**

Mayor Gagné read a proclamation declaring May 31st as National Senior Health & Fitness Day. Apple Springs Senior Living will be celebrating National Senior Health & Fitness Day on May 31<sup>st</sup> from 10AM to 2PM.

Mayor Gagné shared dates for upcoming events and said the community is always welcome to attend. On May 20<sup>th</sup> the Omak High School Booster Club will be hosting a dinner and dessert auction. The Stampede Museum Committee will hold a meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the museum site at 6:30PM.

On May 8<sup>th</sup>, Mayor Gagné, City Administrator McDaniel and Clerk Thomas attended an AWC Small Cities Connector in Pateros. Discussion included workforce development and philanthropic opportunities to revitalize downtowns. She also shared that she received the 2016 annual report from the North Central Regional Library. The report is available at the Omak Library and City Clerk Thomas will have a copy to review.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Leader in Me - East Omak Elementary Students - Presentation**

Mayor Gagné introduced Dr. Ryan Christoph, Principal of East Omak Elementary. Dr. Christoph explained that East Omak Elementary conducted a Leadership Day in March. The Leader in Me program is based on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. This program teaches students how to be proactive. Three leaders from the 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grades were in attendance to share the Leader in Me program. Nattalyn Cariker, Jake Rough and Autumn Scheel shared how they personally use 8 habits. Each of their presentations was very moving and inspirational. Dr. Christoph told Council that the program is in its second year and he has already seen a decrease in deferrals. He has also witnessed students taking pride and ownership in their school. He would like the opportunity to come back at different times to share with Council. He invited everyone to attend the 2018 Leadership Day.

**Resolution 29-2017-Accepting Omak Airport Well Drilling and Aquifer Testing Project as**

**Complete**

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 29-2017. City Administrator McDaniel told Council that J-U-B Engineers, Inc. and City staff determined that the contract with Fogle Pump and Supply, Inc. for the well drilling and aquifer testing project is substantially complete. Upon Council approval, staff will confirm that Fogle Pump and Supply has met their responsibilities and then starts the

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process to release the retainage. As there were no questions or comments from the audience, Council voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**Resolution 30-2017-Approve Guaranteeing Grant Matching Funds to the WSDOT**

Member Clark moved, seconded by Member Cariker, to approve Resolution 30-2017. City Administrator McDaniel explained to Council that this Resolution guarantees matching funds for the construction of the runway rehabilitation and lighting project. J-U-B Engineers, Inc. has been working on the design portion of the project under the pretense the City would receive funds from the Federal Aviation Association. He reminded Council that in 2016, the City was not eligible for the funds because of the "Through the Fence" issues which have been corrected. The Department of Transportation and the City of Omak will provide a 5% match in the amount of \$125,000. Administrator McDaniel explained that funds will need to be moved from current expense to the airport fund if Council approves the resolution. Member Clark told Council that the Personnel/Finance Committee met and approve of the motion as it stands. As there were no questions or comments from the audience, Council voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**Resolution 31-2017-Approve a Cultural Monitoring Agreement for the Eastside Park Metering Project**

Member Gaines moved, seconded by Member Clark, to approve Resolution 31-2017. City Administrator McDaniel told Council that this was an agreement with the Colville Confederated Tribes to provide cultural monitoring. This service was anticipated when entering into the project but, the cost was higher than expected. The contract for monitoring the metering project is \$28,884. It also includes on call services if a discovery is made at \$11,661 per recovery not to exceed \$87,187. Administrator McDaniel explained to Council that due to past activities, and the depths the contractor will be digging, there is a high probability that something may be found. If Council approves this contract, Administrator McDaniel will prepare a budget adjustment for Council's approval. Member Gaines asked if the project was funded with the Park Budget or Water Budget. Todd confirmed that it was the Water Fund. There was discussion about the project itself and if the large vaults could have been prevented. Administrator McDaniel explained that staff and City Engineers spent a lot of time looking at every option and this was the best scenario. Member Clark told Council that the Personnel/Finance Committee met and supports the resolution. As there was no further discussion and no comments from the audience, Council voted unanimously to approve the motion.


**OTHER BUSINESS:**


**Committee Reports:**

Member Clark told Council that the Personnel/Finance Committee met again to discuss an airport lease. They are considering a 25 year lease with a buy back termination clause based on the Okanogan County assessed value. City Administrator McDaniel will be contacting the Federal Aviation Administration and Attorney Michael Howe to discuss the contract. Member Clark also told Council that committee discussed hangars being used as storage units and the need to enforcing aircraft storage only.

Member Gaines referred to Chief Koplins staff report and asked if the 185 calls for service were normal, as it seemed high to her. Chief Koplins said that his officers are being proactive and generating complaints on their own. The call load does increase annually but they do seem to be running high. He stated that the Omak Police Department handles more calls per officers than Okanogan County. The average call per officer from May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup> was 30.83. Chief Koplins told Council that the bike and foot patrol is working well. He said getting a lot of positive feedback. He said that everyone will be trained in bike patrol by the end of next week.

As there was no further business before Council, Mayor Gagné adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM.

  
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Connie Thomas, City Clerk

  
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Cindy Gagné, Mayor