

CITY OF WAPATO

Regular Council Meeting
Minutes of August 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

- a. Welcome by Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa
- b. Flag Salute Led by Council Member Frank Jaime

ROLL CALL:

- a. Council Members in attendance: Chuck Stephens, Rita Alvarado, Frank Jaime, Ken Workman, Frances Ayres, Elizabeth Villa via zoom, Caroline Solis.
- b. City Staff in attendance: Police Chief Nolan Wentz, Clerk Kathy Davis, Public Works Director Jeff Schumacker.
- c. Others that were present: Recorder Judy Devall

MEETING AGENDA:

No Additions & Deletions. Council member Frank Jaime made motion for approval of no additions/deletions. Council member Ken Workman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes from July 18, 2022 were presented for approval. Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa called for the approval of July 18th Meeting Minutes. Council member Frank Jaime made motion to approve meeting minutes from July 18th. Council member Chuck Stephens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa called for the approval of the consent agenda. Council member Frances Ayres made motion for the approval of the claims and payroll vouchers. Council member Caroline Solis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Approval of Liquor License for Xpress Mart. Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa called for the approval of the liquor license for Xpress Mart. Council member Frank Jaime made motion to approve the liquor license for Xpress Mart. Council member Ken Workman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Approval to use ARPA funds for the banners for downtown Wapato. Public Works Director Jeff Schumacker stated they would be here in about three weeks. The banners would be on Wapato Ave. The banners would help to promote the downtown businesses. Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa called for the approval to use ARPA funds for the banners in downtown Wapato. Council member Rita Alvarado made motion to approve the use of ARPA funds for banners for downtown Wapato. Council member Caroline Solis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Clerk: Kathy Davis stated that she had handed out a sheet showing how much ARPA funds had come in and what has been spent. Public Works Director Jeff Schumacker also stated that some of the funds would be used on Well 5.

Public Works Director: Jeff Schumacker stated that he would be looking at benches for downtown Wapato. Mr. Schumacker stated that they will be asking for bids for the new parking lot on the northeast side of the park. It should have at least 23 slots. The pump house at the cemetery has caved in. It is an extreme hazard. Will bring in bids to get it fixed. He is looking into trying to use ARPA funds to repair it.

Police Chief: Nolan Wentz stated that tomorrow night is National Night Out from 4 to 7. There will not be a dunk tank this year. Officer Jasmine Garcia will graduate August 10th from the police academy. Officer Karlo Stephas will begin the academy August 16th. The cameras are up, and they are putting out information. The police department will be getting training on the cameras. On a happy note, Officer Beckwith's wife just had their fourth child. Both are doing well.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Kiona Dick: Ms. Dick stated that the Lions Club has been busy with the Harvest Festival. They have secured six bouncy houses from the Peacekeepers. About 20 volunteers from job corps to come in to help. Ms. Dick will be talking with their supervisor this week. There is also several different entertainments they have set up. There is also the parade. If you would like to volunteer or take part in the parade, please give Kiona Dick a call. Mayor Margaret Estrada stated she secured the security for the Harvest Festival.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro-Tem Elizabeth Villa called for the adjournment of the meeting. Council member Frank Jaime made motion to adjourn. Council member Chuck Stephens seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

Margaret Estrada, Mayor

Kathy Davis, Clerk