

# CITY OF WAPATO

Regular Council Meeting  
Minutes of April 1, 2024

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Margaret Estrada called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

- a. Welcome by Mayor Margaret Estrada
- b. Flag Salute Led by Council Member Frank Jaime

## **ROLL CALL:**

- a. Council Members in attendance: Chuck Stephens, Rita Alvarado, Frank Jaime, Ken Workman, Oscar Gonzalez-absent, Elizabeth Villa, and Caroline Solis.
- b. City Staff in attendance: Interim Clerk Alisia Sanches- absent, Fire Chief Bob Clark- absent, Public Works Director Jeff Schumacker. Interim Police Chief Mike Deccio- absent.
- c. Others that were present: Attorney Julie Norton, Mid Valley TV Sean Davido, Officer Alcazar, Account payable clerk Alondra Juarez.

## **Public Hearing:**

Albert Miller with YVCOG- Rezone of subject parcel from R-1 to R-3 at 225 W Elizabeth St. 07:09pm public hearing dismissed.

## **MEETING AGENDA:**

Additions & Deletions. Mayor Margaret Estrada called for the approval of the meeting agenda. Council member Rita Alvarado motion to approve the meeting agenda. Council member Frank Jaime seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## **MEETING MINUTES:**

Minutes from March 18<sup>th</sup> ,2024, were presented for approval. Mayor Margaret Estrada called for the approval of the March 18th meeting minutes. Council member Caroline Solis made a motion to approve meeting minutes from March 18th. Council member Frank Jaime seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Margaret Estrada called for the approval of the consent agenda. Council member Rita Alvarado made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Council member Frank Jaime seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

Jason Carbajal- Is currently a Wapato resident, requesting for a skate park to be added in the City Parks with the support from other cities for example: Sunnyside and Yakima.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Kiona Dick- approval for the annual Harvest Festival. The mayor Margaret Estrada called for approval of the annual Harvest Festival. Council member Rita Alvarado made a motion to approve. Council member Frank Jaime seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Approval for liquor license at Exit 44- The mayor Margaret Estrada called for approval. Council member Frank Jaime made a motion to approve. Council member Ken Workman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Approval on vendor fee at \$10.00 an hour- The mayor Margaret Estrada called for approval of the vendor fee. Council member Rita Alvarado made a motion to approve. Council member Frank Jaime seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. WFD & YCFD5 ILA agreement approval. The mayor Margaret Estrada called for approval of the agreement. Council member Frank Jaime made a motion to approve. Council member Rita Alvarado seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Public hearing regarding re-zone of R1-R3. The mayor Margaret Estrada called for approval. Tabled for next council meeting on April 15th, 2024.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire Chief:** Bob Clark

- \* None

**Interim Clerk:** Alondra Juarez

- \* Elderly & disable low-income applications have been mailed out, They will be due May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
- \* Landlord license renewal forms were mailed out and will be due on May 1<sup>st</sup> to avoid any penalties.
- \* Quarterlies have been paid.
- \* The City Hall staff is working on cross training.

**Public Works Director:** Jeff Schumacker

- \* The Naches Ave movement has begun. They will begin moving gas lines, electricity, sewer, and water lines.
- \* Annual flushing for hydrants has been done by the city, hydrants that weren't working properly have been tagged.
- \* Jeff has applied for the local parks and recreations grants. Bryson from YVCOG stated that 43 surveys have been completed on the city's website. Twelve of those surveys request a skate park. Byson also mentioned Maria from YVCOG will be setting up a booth in front of Saint Jacks video store.

**Interim Police Chief:** Officer A. Alcazar

- \* Since the last meeting 23 calls have been received, 13 of those calls Ave been arrest and ten of those arrest have resulted in charges.
- \* Officer Alcazar also mentioned the previous burglary at Wapato Pawn and trade and stated that the two suspects have been arrested with the help of Yakima Police Department and the Sheriff's department.
- \* Extra patrol is out around school zones and downtown.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Margaret Estrada called for the adjournment of the meeting. Council member Chuck Stephens made a motion to adjourn. Council member Frank Jaime seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

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Margaret Estrada, Mayor

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Alisia Sanches, Interim Clerk