

# Bridgeport City Council Regular Meeting October 28, 2015

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## COUNCIL

Present – Sergio Orozco; Phil Lee; Jackie Hentges; Eric Schmidt; and Matthew Schuh

Absent – None

## STAFF

Present – Janet Conklin, Mayor; Stuart Dezelle, Public Works Superintendent; Judy Brown, Clerk/Treasurer

**7:00 p.m.** – Regular Meeting Called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

## PRESENTATION

Ogden Murphy & Wallace, Julie Norton – Presented proposed contract for attorney services for five years.

## ACTION ITEMS

Discussion – Controls on budget constraints are now in place

**Motion:** Accept contract with Ogden, Murphy & Wallace, LLC as presented

**Motion/Schuh; Second/Schmidt; Discussion/None; Approved/5:0:0**

**Motion:** Approve October 13, 2015, Special Meeting Minutes

**Motion/Lee; Second/Hentges; Discussion/None; Approved/5:0:0**

**Second Reading** - Ordinance 15-654, Changing Utility Billing Dates

**Motion:** Approve Ordinance 15-654, Changing Utility Billing Dates

**Motion/Hentges; Second/Schuh; Discussion/None; Approved/5:0:0**

**Second Reading** - Ordinance 15-655, Setting Utility Tax Rates & Establishing a Garbage Utility Tax

**Motion:** Approve Ordinance 15-655, Setting Utility Tax Rates & Establishing a Garbage Utility Tax.

**Motion/Schmidt; Second/Hentges; Discussion/Hard copy sent before last meeting;**

**Approved/5:0:0**

Mayor announced effective immediately John Barry will no longer be our Code Enforcement Officer. Contract with Douglas County Code Enforcement Officer discussed; hourly rate will be \$38.49, travel pay will be shared with other entities when in area, concern over paying for hourly rate rounded to the ½ hour and rate not listed in contract. Questions asked of attorney present.

**Motion:** Approve Interlocal Agreement for Code Enforcement using Douglas County Code Enforcer.

**Motion/Lee; Second/Hentges; Discussion/concern over an immediate approval of contract, more time to research, will they be in the area for the remainder of this season; Failed/2:3:0 -- Tabled**

**Motion:** Approve EMS Write-offs for September 2015 for \$2,258.68

**Motion/Schmidt; Second/Schuh; Discussion/None; Approved/5:0:0**

## DISCUSSION

Planning Commission Position Opening –

**Motion:** Approve Zeke Martinez as the Planning Commission Alternate Position

**Motion/Schuh; Second/Schmidt; Discussion/None; Approved/5:0:0**

Chipping Event – This event will be held November 7<sup>th</sup> accepting Garden Waste and Tree trimmings.

**STANDING CITY REPORTS**

**Public Works Superintendent:** WWTP equipment failure under warranty; 65% review of plans for Corp. sewer connect project; no progress on sidewalk project; Douglas County PUD meeting discussed early spring 2016 RV park upgrade, widen trail to 8ft wide, new park will be designed by them as if all money is available spring of 2017 construction; swimming pool repairs ongoing; irrigation blown out; locate storm drain on 16th; new park sign will be erected soon.

**Clerk/Treasurer:** EWFOA Fall meeting in Spokane on 10/16; Presentation from Toni Nelson (MRSC) Utility Billing & Collecting Issues and Cash Handling & Internal Controls – these classes gave us more information needed to effectively collect utility billings and handle the City’s cash; also, WA Dept. L&I presented Wage & Hour Laws – this class pertained to basic employee requirement needs and informed us they do not have jurisdiction over “volunteer” help; Facebook Insights are steadily increasing

**Mayor:** Arrowhead Orchard sent a letter of appreciation to the City crew at the recent funeral service and the crews patience with the proceedings; meeting in Chelan about fire coordination; AWC meeting discussed different cities issues; complimented staff on work done and explained her experience and expectation as Mayor.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Lee – announced he is a great grandfather again, twin girls.

**VOUCHER APPROVAL**

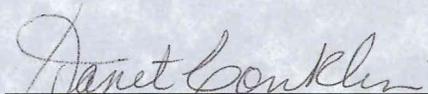
**Motion:** Approve Payroll Vouchers 6608 through 6615, totaling \$9,382.77, with EFT disbursements, totaling \$4,983.44 and Claim Vouchers 6616 through 6664, totaling \$34,910.93.

**Motion/Schuh; Second/Hentges; Discussion/None; Approved/5:0:0**

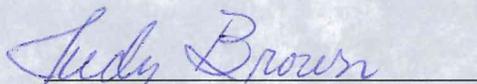
**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned by Mayor Conklin, at 8:05 p. m.

**APPROVED:**

  
Janet Conklin, Mayor

**ATTESTED:**

  
Judy Brown, Clerk/Treasurer