



City Council Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sergio Orozco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

**Council Present-** Matthew Schuh, Mike Bjornstad, Paul Anson, and Esiquio “Zeke” Martinez.

**Council Absent-** Jackie Hentges

**Staff Present-** Sergio Orozco, Mayor; Stuart Dezellem, Public Works Superintendent; and Ariana Cruz, Deputy Clerk

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor led the Flag Salute.

3. AGENDA CHANGES

No changes recommended.

**Motion-** Accept the Agenda as presented.

**Motion/Schuh; Second/Bjornstad; Discussion/None; Approved/4:0**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

**Susan Schuh-** Elementary School Math Specialist discussed the use of Berryman Park for 1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trips (5 days) in June. Public works Superintendent Stuart Dezellem suggested using fireman park due to construction and demolition of bathrooms at Berryman Park.

**Leslie Robb-** Attended the Public Law Enforcement meeting at Bridgeport Elementary School on March 14<sup>th</sup>. suggests that the Council decline to sign a new contract for Douglas County Sheriff’s office.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2024.

b. EMS Write-offs of \$6,920.00 for February 2024.

c. Voucher Approval as Presented for February 2024 and March 2024:

Vouchers Presented	Check #s	Amount
3/01/24 Payroll Vouchers	14785 – 14802	\$ 16,832.78
3/01/24 Payroll EFT		\$ 16,174.71
3/18/24 Payroll Vouchers	14803 – 14814	\$ 16,627.85
3/18/24 Payroll EFT		\$ 8,854.35
February 2024 EFT		\$ 8,264.95
March 2024 EFT		\$ 8,596.49
February 2024 Voucher	14784	\$ 670.00
March 2024 Vouchers	14815 – 14851	\$ 129,341.93
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 205,363.06</b>

**Motion--** Accept the Consent Agenda, as presented.

**Motion/Schuh; Second/Martinez; Approved/4:0**

**6. DISCUSSION**

- a. Bridgeport School Farm Utility Hookups  
Discussion ensued on waving hookup fees for water connection, further information will be acquired.
- b. Growth Management Area (GMA) EMS Volunteers  
Mayor stated that this is allowed.
- c. Recycle Center Volunteers  
Discussion of how to generate more volunteers ensued.
- d. Right-of-Way, BMC Title 10 – *Table*
- e. Public Event, BMC 5.20 – *Table*
- f. Private Event, BMC 5.18 – *Table*

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Hydrovac Used Truck Bids- Dezellem presented bids received, suggested to accept lowest bid of \$154,235.45 from Pacific Sound and Truck.  
**Motion-** Approve purchase of Hydrovac Truck from Pacific Sound and Truck as bid.  
**Motion/Schuh; Second/Bjornstad; Discussion/None; Approved/4:0**
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Water Reservoir- Dezellem presented project and closeout.  
**Motion-** Accept project as completed and closed.  
**Motion/Bjornstad; Second/Anson; Discussion/None; Approved/4:0**

**8. STANDING CITY REPORTS**

- a. Public Works-  
Meter reads will begin next week, only 17 meters left on Route 1. Community spring chipping event will take place April 6<sup>th</sup>. City streets and sidewalks were swept. Updates on Berryman Park, storm drain and WWTP.
- b. Clerk/Treasurer-  
Financial report for the month of February 2024 was presented. Bridgeport's Annual Report to the State Auditor's office was filed on 3/8/2024. Next month's meeting the WWTP will be on the agenda for project close out, any questions ask Stuart. Judy is attending the Washington Municipal Clerks Association (WMCA) conference this week in Yakima.
- c. Mayor-  
Mayor Orozco discussed Law Enforcement meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup> and was pleased by the amount of citizen that attended, and thought we received a lot of great feedback. Mayor Orozco will be attending future commissioner meetings to discuss law enforcement.
- d. School Student (Esteban Martinez)-  
Spring sports have started, nothing else currently.

**9. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

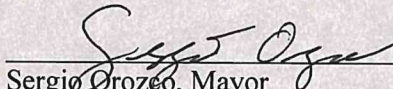
- Anson-** Questions on utility bill pricing for law enforcement.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

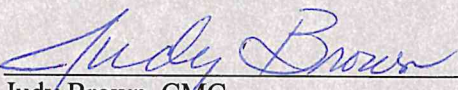
**Motion-** The time is 7:49 p.m., I move to adjourn meeting.

**Motion/Schuh; Second/Bjornstad; Discussion/None; Approved/4:0**

**APPROVED:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Sergio Orozco, Mayor

**ATTESTED:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judy Brown, CMC  
Clerk/Treasurer