



# City of Raymond

## WASHINGTON

### COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

#### APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Roberts. Roll was taken and the meeting was quorate.

#### **Council Members present:**

Karen Tully  
Heidi Worlton  
Chris Halpin  
Tony Nordin  
W. Ian Farrell

#### **Council Members Absent:**

Position #1: Vacant  
Steve Jones: Excused

#### **Department Heads Present:**

Kayla MacIntosh, Clerk/Treasurer  
Bill Didion, Fire Chief  
Eric Weiberg, Public Works Director  
Pat Matlock, Chief of Police: Absent, Excused

#### **4. CITY COUNCIL POSITION #1 INTERVIEWS**

Clerk/Treasurer MacIntosh had the 2 candidates in person draw numbers as to who would interview first. The Council members asked 4 questions to both Scott Coty and Jovon Vaughn.

#### **5. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS-EVALUATE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTIVE OFFICE CANDIDATE**

Prior to adjourning to Executive Session, Mayor Roberts advised that no decisions would be made in Executive Session. Mayor Roberts called the Executive Session to order at 6:20PM in the mayor's office for 15 minutes with an approximate return time of 6:35PM for the purpose of evaluating the qualifications of candidates for appointment to elective office. Council Members Halpin, Nordin, Worlton, Tully, and Farrell were in attendance.

Mayor Roberts reconvened the meeting at 6:29PM.

#### **6. VOTE BY BALLOT AND SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBER**

Clerk/Treasurer MacIntosh handed out ballots and all present council members voted. MacIntosh counted the ballots and Mayor Roberts announced Jovon Vaughn as the new Council Member for Position #1. Clerk/Treasurer MacIntosh swore in Jovon immediately after the announcement.

#### **7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, CONSENT AGENDA & MINUTES**

Councilor Farrell moved to approve the agenda, consent agenda for tonight's meeting, as well as the minutes of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, meeting. Motion carried. Motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 absence.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

**CLAIMS #71536 THROUGH #71538  
CLAIMS #71545 THROUGH #715609**

**\$335,640.55**

**PAYROLL #71539 THROUGH #71544  
(Direct Deposit included)**

**\$149,312.19**

**MARCH EFT/DEBIT**

**\$18,215.71**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Both a letter from the annual Business Week and a letter in support of Energy Northwest were presented to the council.

**9. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Citizen Doug Hill thanked the Public Works department for the safety improvements and discussed safety and parking issue on the corner of Larch St. and Park Ave.

**10. ORDINANCE #1921 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMOND, WASHINGTON,  
AMENDING SECTION 2.50.010 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LEGAL HOLIDAYS-  
First Reading**

Councilor Worlton moved to move ordinance #1921 to a second reading. Motion carried. Motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 absence.

**11. ORDINANCE #1922 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMOND, WASHINGTON,  
ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES TO FILL VACANCIES WITHIN ELECTIVE OFFICES OF THE CITY-  
First Reading**

Councilor Worlton moved to move ordinance #1922 to a second reading. Motion carried. Motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 absence.

**12. RAYMOND GENERAL SEWER PROPOSAL AND CONTRACT- Action**

Councilor Worlton moved to approve Mayor Roberts to sign the General Sewer Proposal and Contract. Motion carried. Motion passed with 6 ayes and 1 absence.

**13. PARAMEDIC TRAINING PROGRAM (DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Fire Chief Didion discussed the proposed paramedic training program with the council. Mayor Roberts asked this to be added as an action item on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting.

**14. ELKS NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Roberts read the Elks National Youth Week Proclamation and proclaimed May 1-7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as youth week.

**15. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

- Fire Chief, Bill Didion, had nothing to report.
- Public Works Director, Eric Weiberg, provided updates for the water tank project, parks plan and the comp plan.
- Clerk/ Treasurer, Kayla MacIntosh, provided an update regarding the creation of the city's cyber security policy and contract secured to fulfil the AWC RSMA Loss Prevention Grant.

**13. MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Roberts provided an email from the Port of Willapa Harbor requesting letters of support for Willapa Bay Dredging. Mayor Roberts requested a replacement for the RWCC committee due to the departure of Councilor Porter. Citizen Scott Coty advised that he would fill the position. Mayor Roberts also advised the council that she has created a committee in regard to the new fire hall/city hall and will have executive session next meeting to discuss real estate possibilities for this new building.

**14. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Citizen Doug Hill had questions regarding the dredging and recommended American Dredging Company. Mayor Roberts provided Hill with a copy of the email and who to contact with that information.

**15. COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

- Councilor Farrell had questions regarding city statue decorating and clean up.

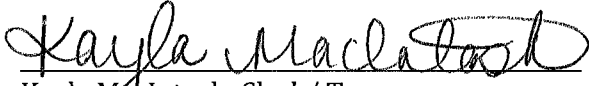
**16. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS:**

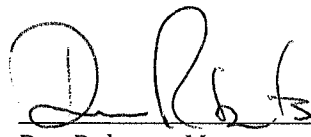
There were none.

**17. ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to discuss and no objections, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Roberts at 7:16PM.

**ATTEST:**

  
Kayla MacIntosh, Clerk/ Treasurer

  
Dee Roberts, Mayor