

**TOWN OF NACHES STUDY SESSION MINUTES
October 11, 2021**

Present:

Mayor Williams
Councilwoman, Hawver
Councilman Weekes
Councilman Henning
Councilman Hawver via
phone

Absent:

Councilwoman Williams

Others in Attendance: Town Attorney Shinn, Clerk Treasurer Birrueta. Admin. Ranger.

Staff Report

Admin. Ranger presented the Staff Report.

WWTP/ Upgrade

a) Phase I wastewater treatment plant improvements, with funding from Yakima County SIED grant/loan. Progress estimate No. 6 was received this morning and it has been added to the agenda for approval to issue the check at the second payment disbursement, for work performed through September 30, 2021, the amount due the contractor of \$22,660.00 is net after retainage per contract documents. Phase I headworks are in the installation construction process giving the Public Works time for training. Phase II of the project with USDA funding in the process of grant/loan obligation.

**Electronic Vehicle
Infrastructure**

- b) The Electronic Vehicle Infrastructure Transportation Alliance (evita). Grant funding from PacifiCorp. Energy Northwest and Admin. Ranger have been working on the possibility of changing the charging station to the Cleman's View Park.
- c) Staff is working with PacifiCorp on various possibilities of power rebates. Pump and VRD (existing), New pump VRD (new), Lighting Park and Ride Grant. Wastewater Treatment Plant phase I and phase II if constructed. Staff signed the first rebate from PaciCorp Energy Rebate Program the Town will received approximately \$22,000.00.
- d) Union Negotiations: Staff received a letter of intent to

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- open the Union Negotiations. Staff is waiting to hear on meeting dates etc.
- e) Staff has drafted the preliminary 2022 expense budget and working on the revenue portion.
 - f) WSDOT Traffic study will include Cleman's View Park crossing this summer/fall. WSDOT has not release the results.
 - g) Regional Mobility Grant (completed and submitted) Staff submitted an application to WSDOT for improvements at Cleman's View Park. Adding parking stalls, prioritized spaces for vanpool, bicycle-parking facility and installing four security cameras. Staff is working on the construction contract agreement with American Rock and starting construction in the next couple of weeks.
 - h) Admin. Ranger was contacted by Olympia for a Capital Budget Request Application: the Governor has signed the budget and the Town will receive the \$442,000 that is for the rehab of the tennis courts and rehab the building. Partial Bids opening October 13, 2021 for the Naches Event Center includes electrical, mechanical, electric, painting, insulation, drywall and construction.
 - i) Admin. Ranger Urban Growth Area: Yakima County Planning Commission is going through the process of the UGA for the Town of Naches. The Yakima County Planning Commission received 18 letters opposing the proposed UGA. Admin. Ranger is attending the Yakima County Planning Commission meeting October 13, 2021 at 6:00 pm. once the Yakima County Planning Commission gathers all the Public testimony including the Town of Naches response. The County Planning Commission will issue a recommendation to the Yakima County Board of Commissioners.
 - j) Fundraising Dinner at Cleman's View Park Thursday October 14, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Public Works

- Regular Work Hours
- working on blowout irrigation lines and winterizing.

Review Vouchers &
Treasurer report

Clerk Birrueta, gave the voucher report dated September 21 2021, vouchers dated October 11, 2021, financial report for the month of September 2021.

Other Business:

Attorney Shinn, gave a briefing on the Fire District No. 3 negotiations. Attorney Shinn reached out to the fire district attorney Brian Snure to start the negotiation process in good faith.

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for the Town of Naches community.

Adjourn; 6:29 p.m.

The Study Session closed at 6:29 p.m.

Paul Williams, Mayor

Elvira Birrueta, Clerk/Treasurer