

TOWN OF NACHES STUDY SESSION MINUTES
August 8, 2022

Present:

Mayor Williams
Councilman Weekes
Councilman Hawver
Councilwoman Williams
Councilwoman Hawver

Absent:

Excused Henning

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

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. Equipment is in full operation. The Town is to receive 29K rebate from PacifiCorp. Contractor is working on M&O manual and final checklist.

WWTP/ Upgrade Phase 2

b) Phase 2 of the project with USDA funding in the process of grant/loan obligation. Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 2 plans have been submitted to USDA for review and approval for bid advertisement. Bond process is complete. Award in September or October. Staff anticipates a higher rebate from PacifiCorp once phase 2 is complete and in full operation the rebate of \$42K.

Electronic Vehicle Infrastructure

c) The Electronic Vehicle Infrastructure Transportation Alliance (evita). Grant funding from PacifiCorp. Energy Northwest signed the agreement to reimburse the Town for the costs of the charging station. Pacific Power has granted the permit for the power crossing to the charging station, installation will take place in the next two weeks.

d) 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. Staff signed the first rebate from PacifiCorp Energy Rebate Program for phase I.

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- The Town will receive approximately \$29,000.00 when the project is completed and in full operation.
- Park & Ride: Regional Mobility Grant
- Cleman's View Park- Naches Event Center
- e) Construction being done by American Rock Products, parking lot is paved. Working on the vehicle charging station. Estimated completion August 2022.
 - f) Admin. Ranger was awarded the \$442,000 that is for the rehab of the courts and rehab the building. Staff is working with subcontractors for the construction of the event center. The interior is about 95% complete, exterior painting was completed. Working on the ADA ramp access for the building and deck. Estimated completion the end of September.
 - g) Naches Post Master approached the Town through a program on CBU's within the Town, there's areas where the mail service is having issues going through to deliver the mail. The post master has purchased 2 CBU's and wants to work with the Town and place them in those areas. The Town staff has completed and poured the 2 cements pads for the CBU's. Depending on the results the post master plans to purchase more.
 - h) WSDOT traffic study on US12/CVP crossing staff and engineers are looking into different funding options for safe highway crossing to the park. In the packet there's also a transit survey. US 12 traffic corridor study, WSDOT will have a booth at the Depot during Sportsman's Days.
 - i) Admin. Ranger Urban Growth Area: Staff is still waiting to hear a response from the Yakima County Commissioners. Staff submitted a revised request is going through the whole process.
 - j) Legislative Capital Budget Request for a hydraulic stage to be used for Naches Event Center. Staff has signed the contract with Department of Commerce. Staff submitted the first reimbursement to Department of Commerce.
 - k) Public Works have been working and learning the new equipment of Phase I Wastewater Treatment Plant.
 - l) Pacific Corp is looking into granting the permit to the Town for the Christmas Lights poles. Once that's completed, staff will start the Art Deco building project of renovating.
 - m) Budget 2023 schedule is included in the packet it does include all the required Public Hearings.

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- n) In the packet also included an ordinance for the Fire District initial annexation process. The process may take up to 2 years. All the ordinance does it starts the process the power lies in the vote of the people in the community. Councilman Hawver questions if there is a financial benefit to the Town of having the fire district annexed into the Town. The benefit to the Town it takes the Town of Naches from the middle of collecting funds from the County for fire protection services from Yakima County. Another benefit will be the Town residents will be able to participate in the fire district for representation.
- o) Facility Use Agreement: Council discussed the Town's facility use agreement and agrees to move forward.

Review Vouchers &
Treasurer report

Clerk Birrueta, included the treasury report for the month of July. Vouchers dated July 25, 2022 Second Payment and Vouchers dated August 8, 2022.

Other:

None

Adjourn: 6:22 pm

With no other business to discuss the Study Session adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Paul Williams, Mayor

Jeff Ranger, Administrator