

**TOWN OF NACHES STUDY SESSION MINUTES**  
**May 8, 2023**

**Present:**

Mayor Williams  
Councilman Weekes  
Councilwoman Schneider  
Councilwoman Hawver  
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**Absent:**

Excused Councilwoman Williams

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

**Staff Report**

Admin. Ranger, presented the Staff Report.

- a) Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 2. Construction has started by Pacific Civil & Infrastructure Inc., Staff received pay estimate No. 02 included in the packet. Completion estimate to spring 2024.
- b) PacifiCorp Energy rebate program qualified the Town for a rebate of about 75K once the WWTP Phase 2 project is complete and fully functioning.
- c) Yakima County Emergency Management Resolution adopting the 2022 Yakima County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- d) Orchard Street Warehouse removal. Staff completed the CA agreement. Staff is working to start the environmental process, demotion is estimated for late summer early fall 2023.
- e) Regional Mobility Grant. Closeout process and no releases have been received. Staff is still waiting on the agencies releases.
- f) Admin. Ranger is working with an entertainment group to bring possibly 3 mid-week events to the Naches Event Center. Admin. Ranger has secured sponsorship for the events and has secured one event for July 14, 2023. Admin. Ranger is working on the Pickleball courts painting process, with Town staff and volunteers. The fence is completed on the west side of the park.
- g) Naches Pavilion Capitol Budget Request of \$775K

Naches Event Center  
Summer Series

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grant from Washington State Department of Commerce. Staff is waiting to hear from Representative Ybarra. Since the budget was passed staff presumes that funding was not awarded for the Naches Pavilion.

- h) Event Center Hydraulic Stage: Staff has submitted for that last reimbursement of the Hydraulic stage grant, project is finalized.
- i) WSDOT Traffic Study on US12/CVP Crossing ( Spring 2023) the first meeting was April 5<sup>th</sup> at the Depot building for business owners along the US Hwy 12 for public impute process.
- j) UGA Public Meeting in March. Staff received notice via newspaper that Yakima County Planning advertise the Commissioners meeting for May 16, 2023 at 10:00 am.
- k) Clerk Birrueta spoke about the financial and accountability audit the preliminary work has started. All the Town's financial data and accountability data has been shared with the Washington State Auditor's. Clerk Birrueta is expecting them on site starting May 10, 2023.
- l) Public Works have been working on irrigation and regular maintenance. Staff had interviews for a Public Works 1 position and hired Victor Gutierrez.

Review Vouchers &  
Treasurer report

Clerk Birrueta, included the voucher register dated second payment April 21, 2023 claim check#21699 through 21710, 3 ACH payments Dep. of Revenue, Banner Bank & Booking Entertainment, 1 Manual check#5519 total \$652,778.91 checks dated May 8, 2023. Check# 21718 through #21751 and 2 ACH payments Banner- Fuel and Creative Artists. 2 Manual check# 5520 & 5521 Total \$895,352.38 check# 21721 was voided.

Other:

None

Adjourn: 6:31 pm

The Council Meeting was Open at 6:31 p.m.

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Paul Williams, Mayor

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Elvira Birrueta, Clerk/Treasurer