

City of Selah
City Council Meeting Minutes
March 28, 2023
Regular Meeting

- 1) Call to Order: Mayor Raymond called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
- 2) Roll Call
 - A. Members Present: Elizabeth Marquis, Roger Bell, Michael Costello, Jared Iverson, Clifford Peterson
 - B. Staff Present: Joe Henne, City Administrator; Rob Case, City Attorney; Dan Christman, Chief of Police; James Lange, Fire Chief; Ty Jones, Public Works Supervisor; Dale Novobielski, City Clerk/Treasurer; Jeff Peters, Community Development Supervisor; Zack Schab, Recreation Director; Matthew Taylor, Public Works Engineer Technician, and Treesa Morales, Public Records Manager.
- 3) Registering in record of Councilmember absence(s) as excused absence(s), per SMC 1.06.070

Councilmember Bell moved to approve the absence for Councilmember Carlson and Councilmember Wickenhagen. Councilmember Costello seconded. Mayor Raymond requested all Councilmembers to signify their approval with an “Aye.” All council responded. No “Nay” votes. Councilmember absences were approved.

- 4) Pledge of Allegiance
- 5) Invocation – Provided by Chief Christman
- 6) Announcement of changes, if any, from previously-published agenda

Mayor Raymond notified council that Agenda item 13-C was being removed from the Agenda and would be discussed at a later date.

- 7) Getting to know local businesses, agencies and/or people

Guest Amy McCargar-Davis and Ingrid Mungia from Multicare Yakima Memorial presented to Council and discussed wanting to partner with the City in the future.

- 8) Comments from the Public: None
- 9) Proclamations/Announcements: None
- 10) Consent Agenda (all items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered part of the consent agenda and are enacted in one motion).

Councilmember Bell moved to add Agenda items 13-A and 13-D to the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Peterson seconded. Mayor Raymond requested all Councilmembers to signify their approval with an “Aye.” All council responded. No “Nay” votes. Added items were approved.

Councilmember Bell moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Costello seconded. Roll was called: Councilmember Marquis – yes; Councilmember Bell – yes; Councilmember Costello – yes; Councilmember Carlson – yes; Councilmember Iverson – yes; Councilmember Wickenhagen – yes; Councilmember Peterson – yes. By voice vote, Consent Agenda is approved.

Executive Secretary, Treesa Morales, read the Consent Agenda:

- A. Treesa Morales Approval of Minutes: -- Council Meeting
- B. Dale Novobielski Approval of Claims and Payroll:
Payroll Checks No. 85474-85489 for a total of \$350,689.02
Claim Checks No. 179647-179714 for a total of \$134,560.03
- C. Rocky Wallace Resolution #13-A. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Washington State Department of Transportation Construction Agreement GCB 3820, Related to the City’s Valleyview Avenue, South Third Street and Southern Avenue Improvements Project
- D. Rocky Wallace Resolution #13-D. Resolution Declaring the Wastewater Collection Systems Improvements Project as Substantially Complete

11) Public Hearings: None

12) General Business

- A. New Business
- B. Old Business

13) Resolutions

- A. *Moved to Consent*. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Washington State Department of Transportation Construction Agreement GCB 3820, Related to the City’s Valleyview Avenue, South Third Street and Southern Avenue Improvements Project

Resolution was passed upon approval of the Consent Agenda.

B. Resolution Adopting the City's ADA Transition Plan.

Introduced by Mayor Raymond. Presented by Matthew Taylor, Public Works Engineer Technician. After presentation,

Councilmember Costello moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Peterson seconded. Mayor Raymond restated the motion and asked Council for any discussion.

Councilmember Costello asked Mr. Taylor when work was expected to start on the items outlined in the ADA Transition Plan. Mr. Taylor provided information and referenced Appendix B in the plan.

Seeing no further discussion Mayor Raymond restated the original motion and requested Roll Call. Roll was called: Councilmember Marquis – yes; Councilmember Bell – yes; Councilmember Costello – yes; Councilmember Carlson – absent; Councilmember Iverson – yes; Councilmember Wickenhagen – absent; Councilmember Peterson – yes. By voice vote, Resolution Adopting the City's ADA Transition Plan was approved.

C. *REMOVED* Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Cascade Sign and Fabrication, Related to the City's Welcome to Selah Sign Project

Resolution 13-C was removed from the agenda as mentioned in Agenda item #6.

D. *Moved to Consent* Resolution Declaring the Wastewater Collection Systems Improvements Project as Substantially Complete

Resolution was passed upon approval of the Consent Agenda.

E. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Seventeen Page Easement Agreement with Frontier Country Investments, LLC

Introduced by Mayor Raymond. Presented by Rob Case, City Attorney. After presentation,

Councilmember Peterson moved to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Bell seconded. Mayor Raymond restated the motion and asked Council for any discussion.

Councilmember Iverson asked if Frontier Country Investments has a deadline or obligation if they don't fulfill the agreement on their end. Mr. Case explained that, while he has not seen documents from the Department of Ecology stating which trees are required to be installed, recent contact with the brewery has shown that they plan to install the shade trees once the weather improves and is warm enough to do so. Mr. Case explained the law states it must be completed within a "reasonable deadline" and the City is confident they will follow through.

Councilmember Iverson asked if there was any reason the City would need to use the easement along the ditch. Mr. Case responded that there might be times when City staff might need to inspect the ditch, but any intended use by the brewery would not interfere with City work.

Councilmember Bell expressed concern over alcohol being served close to water and wondered if it was something the City was worried about as well. Mr. Case explained there would be fencing up to protect visitors to the brewery from wandering to the ditch, and the portion of the brewery land that they are mostly likely to be is not right next to the ditch or water.

Jeff Peters moved to the podium to explain that this agreement comes out of the right-of-way agreement between the brewery and the City. Mr. Peters explained that normally, a land owner would provide compensation, but in this case, the City needed shade trees along the ditch as required by the Department of Ecology, so the City Administrator and Public Works Director worked with Outskirts Brewery to dedicate equal amounts of property and the requirement that the Brewery put in trees, and in return the City would grant the right-of-way vacation and not charge them for the City.

Seeing no further discussion, Mayor Raymond restated the original motion and asked for roll call. Roll was called: Councilmember Marquis – yes; Councilmember Bell – yes; Councilmember Costello – yes; Councilmember Carlson – absent; Councilmember Iverson – yes; Councilmember Wickenhagen – absent; Councilmember Peterson – yes. By voice vote, Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Seventeen Page Easement Agreement with Frontier Country Investments, LLC, was approved.

14) Ordinances - None

15) Reports/Announcements

A. Departments

Fire: Chief Lange gave a report for the department

Police: Chief Christman gave a report for the department

Parks and Recreation: Zack Schab gave a report for the department

Planning Department: Jeff Peters gave a report for the department

Public Works: Ty Jones gave a report for the department. Mayor Raymond asked Mr. Jones to explain the plan for painting as normally the City paints streets before Selah Community Days, but that is not the plan this year. Mr. Jones explains why Public Works plans to postpone painting until the construction projects are completed this summer. Mr. Henne asked if Public Works has talked to the County to postpone their painting also. Mr. Jones said they made the request, but haven't heard back yet.

B. Councilmembers

Councilmember Bell reported that the recent rummage sale conducted by the SDA was a success. And gave feedback from his recent meeting with representatives from Multicare Yakima Memorial Hospital.

Councilmember Iverson gave update on the school board meeting he attended.

Councilmember Peterson gave information on a YVCOG meeting he attended.

- C. City Attorney – No public report
- D. City Administrator – mentioned to council that the April 11 study session will include the following topics: improvements at Carlon park, discussion
- E. Mayor Raymond – No public report

R. Executive Session **None**

S. Adjournment

Councilmember Iverson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Costello Seconded. Mayor Raymond asked for all those in favor, say "Aye." By voice vote, motion was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.




Sherry Raymond, Mayor

ABESENT

Russell Carlson, Councilmember

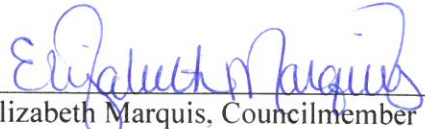
ABESENT

Kevin Wickenhagen, Councilmember



Roger Bell, Councilmember

Jared Iverson, Councilmember



Elizabeth Marquis, Councilmember



Clifford Peterson, Councilmember

ATTEST:



Michael Costello, Councilmember



Dale E. Novobielski, Clerk/Treasurer