

City of Selah City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2024

Call to Order

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: David Monaghan, Clifford Peterson, Elizabeth Marquis, Kevin Wickenhagen, Jared Iverson

Councilmembers Absent: Michael Costello, William Longmire

Staff Present: Rich Huebner, City Administrator; Rob Case, City Attorney; Dustin Soptich, Chief of Police; Jim Lange, Fire Chief; Rocky Wallace, Public Works Director; Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

Staff Absent: Kimberly Grimm, Finance Director; Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism Manager

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance

Invocation

Hershel Corbin of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints provided prayer.

Pre-Arranged Oral Comments from the Public

- Pattie Graffe — SDA
September is the SDA Board Retreat Month; announcement of board member changes; Cash Mob will be 9/26 at Viking Store; SDA will be sponsoring the Selah lunch on 9/25; Spirit Week will be 10/7-10/11; Anxious Generation by Jonathan Haidt book review

Proclamations/Announcements

- A. Proclamation of September 10th as International Suicide Prevention Day and the Month of September as International Suicide Prevention Month

Consent Agenda (all items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered part of the consent agenda and are enacted in one motion).

Mayor Bell presented the stipulations of the Consent Agenda.

Approved Consent Agenda

- A. Courtney McGarity * Approval of Minutes from August 27, 2024 Council Meeting
- B. Kimberly Grimm * Approval of Claims & Payroll
- C. Dustin Soptich * Resolution Declaring a Ford Van, AM General Truck and a Generator Set as Surplus, and Authorizing Their Sale
- D. Jim Lange * Resolution Declaring one 1988 FMC, Spartan Fire Pumper as Surplus, and Authorizing its Disposition and Sale

Councilmember Iverson made a motion to move 13B and 13C to the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Wickenhagen seconded. Mayor Bell asked council for discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Bell requested a voice vote to approve the motion. Motion carries by voice vote. Councilmember Peterson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Monaghan seconded. Mayor Bell restated the motion and asked council for discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Bell requested a voice vote to approve the motion. Motion carries by voice vote.

Resolutions

- A. Rocky Wallace Resolution Authorizing Public Works to Purchase a New 2024 Ford F350 4X4 Pickup Truck and to Surplus the City’s Existing 2010 Ford F350 4X4 Pickup Truck (VIN #1FTRF3B68BEA161337)

Mr. Wallace made an edit to the Resolution title (VIN #1FTRF3B68BEA161337). Councilmember Marquis asked if this purchase is in addition to the existing 2024 budget to which Mr. Wallace agreed and explained that this is in the 2025 preliminary budget with a low possibility of it being purchased and delivered before 2025. Councilmember Iverson confirmed that if it was purchased and delivered within 2024, a budget amendment would need to be made, asking for confirmation that this would be possible. Mr. Wallace, Mr. Huebner and Mayor Bell engaged in conversation with Councilmembers to explain the process for moving general funds, breakdown of vehicles, parts beyond 15 years and intention to provide a schedule of vehicles purchased. Councilmember Iverson moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Wickenhagen seconded. Following a roll call vote by Ms. McGarity, all are in favor, and the motion is approved.

Staff Reports/Announcements

The following staff members provided a department report:

- Chief of Police, Dustin Soptich
- Fire Chief, Jim Lange
- Public Works Director, Rocky Wallace

Councilmember Reports

- Councilmember Monaghan – Working with YPD to organize a Polar Bear Plunge for January 1, 2025 at Sarge Hubbard Park
- Councilmember Marquis – SSD is working on and adopting their budget for this coming school year; Superintendent McKay is hosting an open forum on 9/17 at 6pm at Selah Middle School
- Councilmember Wickenhagen – SDA is still seeking volunteers for bingo night
- Councilmember Iverson – Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting on 9/11

City Attorney Report

Executive Session to take place on 9/24/2024.

City Administrator Report

Report for Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism

The first week of soccer was a success, though there are still parking issues.

Jeff Peters had his offboarding and exit interview; Ms. McGarity, Ms. Damron and Mr. Huebner have been in discussions with a preferred vendor for an updated website and other tools that further goals to better engage with the community and we anticipate having a presentation at our next meeting; departments are currently in the process of budget planning for the upcoming year; Public Works was awarded a 2.5 million loan for the Hillcrest Watermain Replacement project; the WCIA audit for the year around Risk Management has been completed; Department of Retirement Services exit meeting on our compliance review has been completed.

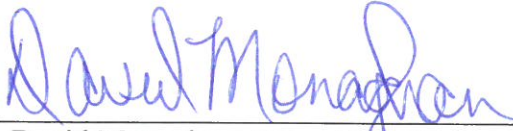
Mayor's Report

Offloading surplus vehicles are helping to cut insurance costs for the City. Additionally, we are dropping all vehicles off of insurance that are under the deductible in replacement value. City of Selah, Selah Downtown Association and Selah Chamber of Commerce will be co-sponsoring a Christmas Lights contest for best residential and best business display from each. The City will then sponsor a lighted Tour event in December on a Friday and Saturday evening which will include all six winners. There will be a 15-passenger bus, 3 tours per night, reservations required and beverages/snack included. Total cost is estimated at approximately \$1,000. Additional sponsors are needed. American Legion Post 88 is working to raise funds for a Selah Community Center Flag pole to proudly display the USA and Washington State flag at the new entrance to the Selah Community Civic Center. The Training Center will have a Fall Festival event on October 26th and all are encouraged to attend.

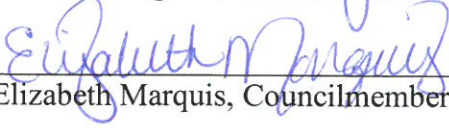
Adjournment

Councilmember Wickenhagen moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Peterson seconded. Mayor Bell adjourned.

Meeting ended at 6:18 p.m.

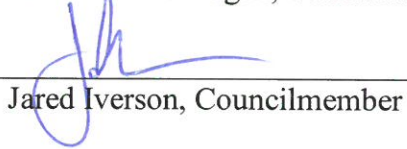


David Monaghan, Councilmember



Elizabeth Marquis, Councilmember

Kevin Wickenhagen, Councilmember

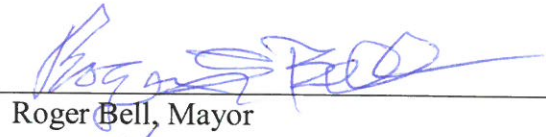


Jared Iverson, Councilmember

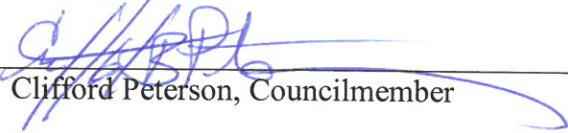
ATTEST:



Courtney McGarity, City Clerk



Roger Bell, Mayor



Clifford Peterson, Councilmember

ABSENT

Michael Costello, Councilmember

ABSENT

William Longmire, Councilmember