

City of Selah City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 22, 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, Michael Costello, Kevin Wickenhagen, William Longmire, Jared Iverson

Councilmembers Absent: N/A

Staff Present: Rich Huebner, City Administrator; Rob Case, City Attorney; Dustin Soptich, Chief of Police; Jim Lange, Fire Chief; Ty Jones, Public Works Utility Supervisor; Kimberly Grimm, Finance Director; Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism Manager; Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

Staff Absent: Rocky Wallace, Public Works Director

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance

Invocation

Darin Brown of Harvest Community Church provided prayer.

Announcement of Changes

Addition of 15 Minute Executive Session: RCW 42.30.110(g); RE: Employee Performance

Addition of 30 Minute Executive Session: RCW 42.30.110(i); RE: Potential Litigation

Pre-Arranged Oral Comments from the Public

- Pattie Graffe — SDA
Spirit Week was a success; finalizing the required permitting for the Christmas Parade; upcoming Cash Mob at Sweet Paradise; annual Business Trick or Treat will be on 10/31 from 4pm-6:30pm.

Oral Comments by People in Attendance (up to 2 minutes each)

- Lisa Gordon – Spoke on Transitional Housing

Proclamations/Announcements

- A. Community Pride Awards - Kyra Holland, Ayla Holland, Myca Holland Kevin Holland and Edgardo De La Torre
- B. Fire Lieutenant Jacob Stuker – National Fire Academy Managing Officer Program
- C. Deputy Fire Chief Scott Willis – Fire Inspector 1 Certification

Executive Session – City Hall Conference Room

Executive Session called to order at 5:52 p.m.

Executive Session paused at 6:08 p.m. with no decisions made/no votes taken.

Executive Session resumed for 10 minutes beginning at 6:08 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 6:18 p.m. with no decisions made/no votes taken.

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 October 8, 2024 Council Meeting
- B. ~~Kimberly Grimm * Approval of Claims & Payroll~~
- C. Chief Soptich * Resolution Declaring a Ford Expedition as Surplus, and Authorizing its Sale
- D. Chief Lange * Resolution Authorizing the Fire Chief to Sign Estimate #241002 from MH Electric, Inc., to Allow Work to Commence, and to Issue Payment when Work is Complete, for Lighting Replacement at Fire Station 21
- E. ~~Rocky Wallace * Resolution Adopting a Water System Plan Amendment to the February 2021 Water System Plan and Authorizing the Public Works Director to Submit the Water System Plan Amendment to the Washington State Department of Health~~

Councilmember Wickenhagen requested item 10B be moved from the Consent Agenda to become 12A under New Business. Councilmember Iverson requested item 10E be moved from the Consent Agenda to become 13B under Resolutions. Councilmember Wickenhagen moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Iverson seconded. Mayor Bell asked council for discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Bell requested a voice vote to approve the motion and approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carries by voice vote.

General Business – New Business

- A. Kimberly Grimm Approval of Claims & Payroll

A. Councilmember Iverson made a motion to approve the Claims and Payroll, seconded by Councilmember Wickenhagen. Following a roll call vote by Ms. McGarity, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

Resolutions

- A. Rich Huebner Resolution Accepting the Proposal from CivicPlus for Digital and Customer Service Software Solutions, and Authorizing the Mayor to Negotiate and Execute a Contract at an Amount Not to Exceed the Approved Proposal
- B. Rocky Wallace Resolution Adopting a Water System Plan Amendment to the February 2021 Water System Plan and Authorizing the Public Works Director to Submit the Water System Plan Amendment to the Washington State Department of Health

A. Councilmember Wickenhagen made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilmember Peterson. Following a roll call vote by Ms. McGarity, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

B. Councilmember Iverson made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilmember Longmire. Following a roll call vote by Ms. McGarity, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

Ordinances

- A. Rich Huebner Resolution Amending the 2024 Base Salary and Wage Schedule for Unrepresented (a/k/a Non-Union) Positions

A. Councilmember Peterson made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Wickenhagen. Following a roll call vote by Ms. McGarity, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

Staff Reports/Announcements

The following staff members provided a department report:

- Chief of Police, Dustin Soptich
- Fire Chief, Jim Lange
- Public Works Utility Supervisor, Ty Jones
- Kimberly Grimm, Finance Director

Councilmember Reports

- Councilmember Monaghan – Moving forward with pool plunge event in January 2025 to benefit Wellness House; working on a holiday neighborhood decorating event for Whisper Estates
- Councilmember Peterson – SPRSA agreed in principal on the Winter Warrior pool plunge challenge event, though there are still some liability items to discuss and coordinate
- Councilmember Costello – Completed WACELI (WA Collaborative Elected Leaders Institute)
- Councilmember Wickenhagen – Attended the YVCOG General Membership meeting; spoke on the Countywide Radio Project updates
- Councilmember Iverson – Upcoming Chamber meeting will be on 10/23

City Attorney Report

No Report

City Administrator Report

We will be moving our pay dates to the 7th and 22nd of each month beginning November 22, 2024; Budget Workshop Meetings are scheduled for November 6th, 7th, and 8th; a joint meeting between City Council and the Fire Commissioners of District #2 will be scheduled for October 29th and 6pm at Selah Civic Center.

Mayor's Report

Reviewing of Robert's Rules; new business ribbon cutting for 98942 Desserts on 10/29 at 11am; Selah Chamber will be hosting its annual Trick or Treat event on 10/31 from 4pm-6:30pm.

Recess

Mayor Bell motioned for a 5-minute recess at 7:29 p.m., before entering into executive session.

Executive Session – Council Chambers

Executive Session called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Executive Session paused at 8:06 p.m. with no decisions made/no votes taken.

Executive Session resumed for 20 minutes beginning at 8:06 p.m.

Executive Session paused at 8:27 p.m. with no decisions made/no votes taken.

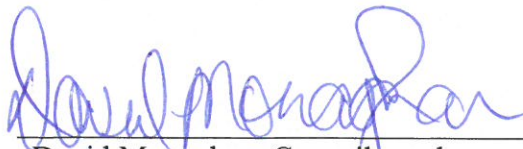
Executive Session resumed for 5 minutes beginning at 8:27 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 8:33 p.m.

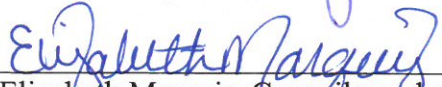
Adjournment

Councilmember Monaghan moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Costello seconded. Mayor Bell adjourned.

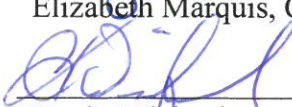
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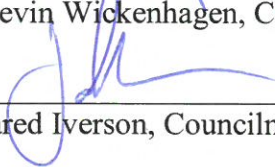
David Monaghan, Councilmember



Elizabeth Marquis, Councilmember

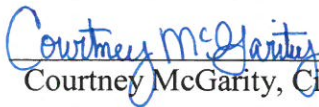


Kevin Wickenhagen, Councilmember

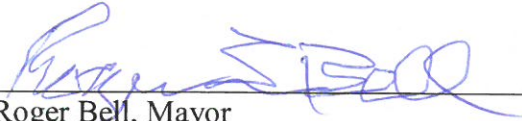


Jared Iverson, Councilmember

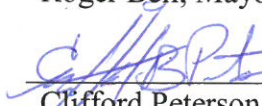
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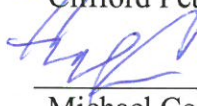
Courtney McGarity, City Clerk



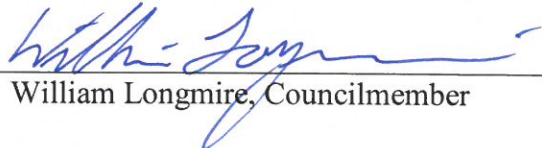
Roger Bell, Mayor



Clifford Peterson, Councilmember



Michael Costello, Councilmember



William Longmire, Councilmember