



McCleary Regular City Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 11, 2026 – 6:30 PM

McCleary Community Center & Zoom Virtual Meeting

Minutes

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Meeting ID: 787 855 3789

(253) 215-8782

Call to Order/Flag Salute/Roll Call

Mayor Brycen Huff

Councilmember Jacob Simmons

Councilmember Don Kuismi

Councilmember Brent Schiller

Councilmember Andrea Dahl, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmember Keith Klimek

Agenda Modifications/Acceptance

Councilmember Dahl made a motion to add a second executive session. This was seconded by Councilmember Klimek.

Motion approved.

Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

1. Public comment is limited to a maximum of three minutes per person.

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No public comment was made.

Consent Agenda

2. Claims Agenda

The following items are distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and review, and the recommended action will be accepted in a single motion.

Any item may be removed for further discussion if requested by a Councilmember.

i. Approval of checks/vouchers/disbursements numbers 55549 to 55590 including EFT's dated 02/21/2026-03/06/2026 in the amount of \$220,447.34

ii. Approval of payroll disbursement for FEBRUARY 2026 in the amount of \$288,007.53
Period: 02/01/26 - 02/15/26 \$112,264.49 for 02/20/26 payroll.

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Period 02/16/26 - 02/28/26 \$175,743.04 for 03/05/26 payroll.

Councilmember Dahl had a question regarding a specific charge, then followed up with a comment about a different charge.

3. Approve meeting minutes:

Minutes from 02.11.2026 meeting

Minutes from 02.25.2026 meeting

Councilmember Dahl made a motion to approve the prior meeting minutes. Councilmember Kuismi seconded.

Motion approved.

4. Staff Reports: Building Dept., Fire Dept, Light & Power, Police Dept., Public Works, and Water & Wastewater

Councilmember Dahl thanked members from the Fire Department for participating in The Big Climb.

New Business

5. Potential Increases for Power

Mayor Huff opened up the idea to discuss the topic of money generation for Light and Power.

There was a discussion about getting comparisons of what other cities charge for fines/penalties.

Light and Power Foreman Paul Nott discussed a recent occurrence that took place in his department.

Old Business

6. Fire District 12 Annexation Discussion

Erik Cohen, Fire District 12 Representative, and McCleary Fire Chief Andrew Pittman discussed further information regarding the potential annexation of the McCleary Fire Department.

7. RFP for Janitorial Services

Mayor Huff explained the RFP for Janitorial Services.

Councilmember Dahl made a motion to post the RFP. Councilmember Klimek seconded.

Motion approved.

Ordinances and Resolutions

8. Suspension of Annual Water and Sewer Rates

Mayor Huff explained the potential suspension of Annual Water and Sewer Rates.

Councilmember Simmons asked a question regarding water rates and adding the topic to the next meeting's agenda.

Councilmember Dahl made a motion to approve the resolution to suspend annual water and sewer rates. Councilmember Klimek seconded.

Motion approved.

Council Comments

Councilmember Schiller requested that the meeting agenda is given to council sooner.

Deputy City Clerk, Nakisha Pryor, explained the challenges with providing a final meeting agenda on Fridays.

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It was decided that Mayor Huff would work with Deputy Clerk Pryor on providing a final meeting agenda on Fridays prior to the Council meeting.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Huff commented on the passing of McCleary resident Gary Dent, lowering of the flag, new employees, open positions, and his attendance to the museum board meeting.

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Resident Cindy again thanked Public Works for their work done in the city. She also commented on the water treatment plant.

Closed Session

10. Per RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) to discuss collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.

The closed session began at 7:22 and ended at 8:10. No action was taken.

An executive session was added during the Agenda Modification.

Per RCW 42.30.110(g) allows a governing body to hold an executive session to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

The executive session began at 8:10 and ended at 8:25. No action was taken.

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 8:26.

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