



# McCleary Regular City Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 22, 2026 – 6:30 PM

McCleary Community Center & Zoom Virtual Meeting

## Minutes

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### 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, and Councilmember Keith Klimek

Mayor and full Council present.

### Agenda Modifications/Acceptance

Councilmember Dahl made a motion to approve the Agenda. This was seconded by Councilmember Klimek. Motion approved.

### Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

1. No public comment.

### Consent Agenda

2. Councilmember Klimek made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Dahl seconded.

Motion was approved.

### New Business

3. Council Committee re-assignments.

Mayor Huff discussed Council Committee assignments now that the open Council seat has been filled by Councilmember Kuismi.

Councilmember Dahl suggested the Finance Committee and Communications Committee for Councilmember Kuismi, which he accepted, and Councilmember Dahl stepped down.

### Public Hearing

4. Mayor Huff discussed the details regarding the budget ordinance to increase the pay for the City Administrator including the CPA's input on affordability and the skills and experience of the City Administrator that he has selected for the position.

Councilmember Dahl commented on the previous amounts being spent on consulting and other services that have previously been contracted out that will be able to be brought in house.

Councilmember Schiller commented that he was concerned about the costs.

Councilmember Simmons commented that the budget that was passed was exceeded in some areas and is concerned where the funds for the increase would come from.

Councilmember Kuismi expressed similar concerns of Councilmember Schiller and Councilmember Simmons.

**Public commenter**, (not identified), stated having issue with the citizens not being able to afford the cost of salary increases.

**Paul Nott**, McCleary citizen and City employee, mentioned the new growth potential of the City, the impact on staff of not having capable leadership and the service delivered to the citizens by City employees.

Councilmember Simmons stated his concern about the hiring process being consistent.

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## **Ordinances and Resolutions**

5. Mayor Huff discussed the proposed Resolution 791 to increase the electric meter rates.  
Councilmember Schiller had questions regarding the schedule of the rate adjustments, which Councilmember Dahl explained.  
Councilmember Simmons asked to be able to see the impact in the next few months.  
Councilmember Schiller asked about the status of codification, to which Mayor Huff replied.  
Councilmember Dahl made a motion to approve Resolution 791, Councilmember Klimek seconded.  
None opposed.  
Motion approved.

## **Council Comments**

Councilmember Dahl asked to be updated on the status of the annexation.

Mayor Huff stated that the boundary review board has the annexation petition, once it's returned to the City, the City will need to draft an ordinance to accept the annexation, and a public hearing will also be conducted. He discussed the annexation as proposing a 60 to 70 house development and provided other details on the annexation.

Councilmember Klimek asked about Fire District 12 (the proposed annexation of the fire department). Mayor Huff said a workshop to discuss this item will be scheduled.

## **Mayor Comments**

Mayor Huff said that the Beerbower Park grant is moving forward and provided additional details including City costs and timelines.

He mentioned the upcoming details for the citywide clean-up.

Lastly, he acknowledged Jerry Elofson and his contributions to the City of McCleary.

Darrin Raines added that the City would be meeting discuss the federal funding project for the 3rd Street project and other grants.

## **Public Comment - City Business Only**

6. **Public commenter**, (not identified), volume too low to hear comment.

## **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 7:11pm

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