



Sumas City Council Meeting

Sumas City Hall, 433 Cherry Street, Sumas, WA 98295

Monday, February 24, 2025, at 7:00 PM

Minutes

1. **Opening Meeting - Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Review/Correct and/or Approve Minutes**
 - a. February 10, 2025, Draft Minutes

Councilmember Daniels made a motion to approve February 10, 2025, Minutes, Councilmember Postma seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

3. **Old Business**

Councilmember Koehler wanted more information on the shop on Kneuman Road and asked if the labor of the crew was included in the cost of the project. Sunny explained the timesheets are not broke down that way. She also wanted to know the threshold of spending before it comes to council, Mollie stated \$7500.00 or over would be brought to council for review.

4. **New Business**

- a. Resolution No. 845, Approving Revisions to the Personnel Policies

Mollie Bost, Finance Director, explained this is updating our personnel policies with the new longevity pay, updated the personal leave, the police department clothing allowance. She also requested to remove Juneteenth and add Christmas Eve to staff holidays.

Councilmember Daniels made a motion to approve Resolution No. 845, Approving Revisions to the Personnel Polices, Councilmember Josh Clawson seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

- b. Interlocal Agreement with City of Blaine for Sharing Electric System Related Services

Sunny Aulakh, Public Works Director, explained this interlocal agreement is for assistance with line work with the power in emergency situations. The rates have been updated, and the terms of the contract are the only things changed.

Councilmember Daniels made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Blaine for Sharing electric System Related Services, Councilmember Jesse Clawson seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

5. Staff Reports

Chief of Police

Daniel DeBruin stated Officer Huyber had a successful rescue with his drone, finding an individual in a tricky situation on the side of hill, we are fortune to have great working relations with all the agencies. Also, Daniel is still accepting applications for the police officer position and there has been interest in the position.

Public Works Director

Sunny Aulakh explained that the two recent power outages were caused by a faulty fuse, and the other was a squirrel that blew a fuse. Also, there was a small shoulder washout with all the rain on Arthurs Way, which the crew had been repairing.

Finance Director

Mollie Bost supplied the fourth quarter financial reports. If anyone has questions let her know. Also, the financial audit with the State should be wrapping up in a few weeks.

Mayor

Mayor Bosch stated the FOSL's Valentine Event was a success and a fun evening. The Chamber has started meeting again with the businesses.

6. Voucher Approvals

The bills were presented for approval and payment. Check numbers 44011 through 44036 for \$156,322.30 and EFTs for \$133,834.02. Councilmember Postma made a motion to pay the bills, Councilmember Daniels seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

7. Adjournment

Councilmember Jesse Clawson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Daniels seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

_____, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____, City Clerk