

City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Minutes

WORK SESSION

Mayor Watterson convened the work session at 6:30 pm with

PRESENT

Councilmember Linda Gotovac
Councilmember John O'Callahan
Councilmember Jason Lawton

ABSENT

Councilmember Elaine Klamm
Councilmember Jeff Eisel

Mayor Watterson stated that there is not much on the agenda tonight and since a representative from the Timberland Library came, asked the council if it were okay for Linda Cameron to introduce herself and speak early in the meeting so she wouldn't have to stay until the executive session. It was agreed upon by the councilmembers in attendance.

Mayor Watterson spoke about the Ribbon Cutting at the new Edward Jones facility today. It was stated that it is the biggest multi adviser facility in the nation. It is the first of it's kind.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Watterson convened the regular Council Meeting at 7:30PM with the absence of Councilmember Gotovac and Councilmember Eisel.

PRESENT

Councilmember Linda Gotovac
Councilmember John O'Callahan
Councilmember Jason Lawton

ABSENT

Councilmember Elaine Klamm
Councilmember Jeff Eisel

AGENDA APPROVAL

1. Agenda Approval

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the 10/14/2025 agenda as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember O'Callahan, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton.

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Motion passes: 3/0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Approval of Minutes

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the 09/09/2025 minutes as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Gotovac, Seconded by Councilmember O'Callahan.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton.

Motion passes: 3/0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Consent Calendar for September 10, 2025 through September 23, 2025 consisting of:

Payroll EFT's in the amount of \$46,417.66 and Claims Checks #33597 through #33623 and EFT's in the amount of \$92,953.71 for a Grand Total of \$139,371.37.

Consent Calendar for September 24, 2025 through October 14, 2025 consisting of:

Payroll EFT's in the amount of \$72,958.14 and Claims Checks #33624 through #33669 and EFT's in the amount of \$76,118.05 for a Grand Total of \$149,076.19.

Liquor License Renewals: None

Recommended Action: Move to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember O'Callahan, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton.

Motion passes: 3/0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joyce Worrell from The Iron Works Boutique spoke about the recent Chamber meeting, they are looking into the trash cans to have near the stores on main street.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

4. First Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Records Management System.

This amendment to our interlocal agreement for LERMS needs to be signed as the consortium doesn't have a copy with City of Tenino signatures after Thurston County was added. Please approve for the mayor and city attorney to sign. Original agreement, and updated amendment attached.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Records Management System.

Motion made by Councilmember O'Callahan, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton.

Motion passes: 3/0.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

ORDINANCES

None.

REPORTS

5. Outside Agency

1) Chamber of Commerce - George Sharp reported Chamber Luncheon tomorrow 8/15/25 at the Stone City Event Center at noon with guest speaker Clint Endicott.

2) Development Council (EDC) - Regional Economic Forecast & Innovation EXPO on December 3rd - 4th at Great Wolfe Lodge Water Park.

3) South Thurston Economic Development Initiative (STEDI) meeting Friday 10/17/25 8am-9:30am at the Bucoda gym.

4) ARCH Commission - Councilmember Gotovac reported on the recent meeting where they spoke about several projects they would like to see happen. One idea being garbage cans to be placed on sidewalks near businesses on the main street that would be wrapped with Local Art.

5) Timberland Regional Library - Linda Cameron the new Regional Manager for Timberland Library stopped in to introduce herself. Most recently she has reached out to the Tenino School District. A positive response from the Elementary School. Trying to get with Teachers .Reached out to the third graders to make sure they get all the access to library

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materials.

Mayor Watterson asked if they still were doing the Open Library where people can come in after hours? Linda responded that they were a few people but not as many as they would like. She would like to get that promoted within the community as well. Especially with the extended hours and computer use. Councilmembers recommended she go to a Chamber of Commerce meeting to promote the program more.

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13. Committees/Commissions

3) Planning Commission - Commissioner Carney reported that the 2nd Public Hearing for the Tenino Comprehensive Plan Draft is scheduled to be held on 11/12/25.

7. 14. Staff

1) Chief of Police - new officer doing well and is still in training a little while longer. He has been working on the grant and sent the preliminary. Chiefs truck is getting old, there have been discussions about a demo vehicle.

2) Director of Public Works - the focus has been on the screens at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. They have applied for an emergency grant for assistance with the new screens. The guys have been out replacing street signs. Needs to discuss the bus stop with TRPC.

5) Clerk/Treasurer - Clerk Reddick reported on the budget coming along. Focus has been on the 2024 Audit and Budget. Found out that the 2024 W-2's had not been filed to IRS, they are now filed. Jessica Reeves-Rush has been working on the grants for the Norseman property, ballfields and the ball court. Emailed the financial report to the council. Let councilman O Callahan know that public works has put in the budget for asphalt for pot holes.

6) Mayor - Mayor Watterson went to the mayors conference in Wenatchee. The focus was on budget and city management. RMSA meeting, we received a small award for not having any claims as well as a small \$750.00 scholarship. We plan to use this on lighting near the entrances to City Hall Admin Office and the Quarry House for safety.

8. 15. Liaisons

5) Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) - Councilmember O'Callahan reported that they are basically closing up everything out. They expect to have a base idea of who is going to be new director of TRPC. Time of year for new officers & seats open for next year.

6) Transportation Policy Board - Councilmember O'Callahan reported that they are basically closing up everything out.

8) Legislature - No. Start up day after New Year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS 2

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Gotovac announced that Joyce at The Iron Works is having a huge sale.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Watterson adjourned the meeting at 7:35PM.