

City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Minutes

WORK SESSION

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

PRESENT

Councilmember Linda Gotovac

Councilmember Elaine Klamn

Councilmember John O'Callahan

Councilmember Jason Lawton

Councilmember Jeff Eisel.

1. 6:30 pm Review of 2/27/2024 Council Agenda

Mayor and Council went over the agenda for tonight's meeting.

2. Council Priorities- Ordinance on Fireworks

Discussion held regarding the purpose and ability to ban fireworks in the City limits.

3. Council Priorities- Financial Policies

Mayor Watterson went over the financial policies that Council requested during their retreat. To continue with suggestions during the next council meeting.

4. Discussion of 3/12/2024 Council Draft Agenda

Mayor Watterson reminded Council if they would like to discuss anything during the next council meeting, to please contact C/T Scharber or himself.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Watterson convened the regular Council Meeting at 7:32 pm with

PRESENT

Councilmember Linda Gotovac

Councilmember Elaine Klamn

Councilmember John O'Callahan

Councilmember Jason Lawton

Councilmember Jeff Eisel

AGENDA APPROVAL

5. Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the 3/12/24.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

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

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

Motion passes 5/0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6. Meeting Minutes for 2/13/2024

Recommended Action: Motion to approve 2/13/2024 meeting minutes as presented.

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

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

Motion passes 5/0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

7. Consent Calendar consisting of February 14, 2024 through February 27, 2024

Payroll EFT's in the amount of \$47,468.07 and Claims Checks #32168 through #32186 in the amount of \$80,093.68 for a grand total of \$127,561.75 (Claims Checks 32170 & 32172 Voided due to printer error)

Excusal of Council Member Linda Gotovac from the 2/13/24 Meeting.

Liquor Cannabis License: None

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

Motion made by Councilmember Lawton, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

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

Motion passes 5/0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

PRESENTATIONS

8. Tenino VFW Memorial-Frank Hicks

Frank Hicks with the VFW gave a presentation of the VFW's request for an honor wall to be placed in the park along with a request of adding a Coast Guard flag along with the others in the park. The wall is to be made with Tenino sandstone and Pennsylvania bluestone. They would like to erect 5 walls total in the park. After much discussion it was decided to put on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Keith Phillips 4th Ave: He commented on his concern every year with the fireworks possibly starting a fire by his house as it is surrounded by trees.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

PROCLAMATIONS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

RESOLUTIONS

None

ORDINANCES

None

REPORTS

9. **1) Chamber of Commerce**

2) Economic Development Council (EDC)

3) South Thurston Economic Development Initiative (STEDI)

4) ARCH Commission

5) Experience Olympia & Beyond (VCB)

6) South Thurston Fire

7) Library

8) Museum

9) Tenino Community Service Center

1) Chamber of Commerce: March's meeting will be held in the evening at the Kodiak Room.

5) Experience Olympia & Beyond (VCB): Mayor Watterson reported he visited with the VCB and is impressed with the knowledge they have with the visitors coming into and out of Tenino and how they can read which roads are traveled the most.

6) South Thurston Fire: Mike Vanderhoof reporting for Chief Schaffren stated their new engine they purchased with the bond is now in service. The new tender they purchased will also be in service next week. The new lot they hope to purchase for the new building is still having land issues before buying. To date they have had 296 total calls. They are still looking at dates for an Emergency Management Meeting. Their annual Crab Feed is Saturday the 2nd, tickets are \$45.00 per person. With your ticket you receive 2 crabs, all you can eat spaghetti, salad and bread. They will also provide soft drinks and water.

7) Library: Mayor Watterson had a quick meeting with Librarian Linda and will meet more in-depth when she returns from vacation.

9) Tenino Community Service Center: C/T Scharber reporting for Jody Stolz stated they have a new Kiosk at the Food Bank that will test for COVID and the flu at this time, which is free to the public.

10. 1) Civil Service Commission

2) Façade Improvement Grant Review Committee

3) Finance Committee

4) Planning Commission

5) Public Safety Committee

6) Public Works Committee

6) Public Works Committee: The next public works committee meeting will be held 3/12/24.

11. 1) Chief of Police

2) Director of Public Works

3) City Planner

4) Code Enforcement/Building Inspector

5) PARC Specialist

6) City Attorney

7) Clerk/Treasurer

8) Mayor

1) Chief of Police: Chief reported they have had a significant upswing in juvenile arrests. The department has been training with Thurston County which has been going well. They will be doing evoked training on 3/18 and anyone is welcome to come ride with him. He is looking into purchasing a vehicle from our Sister City, City of Tumwater.

2) Director of Public Works: DPW Cannon reported on the water report from 2023 and went over the numbers of gallons being used and the amount of water rights we have left. He is

going to irrigate with reclaimed water and will ask the Schools to do so as well. The park bathrooms are now open and we are hoping to keep them open year round.

8) Mayor: Mayor Watterson has been in contact with Habitat for Humanity who would like to put in a townhouse on City property. He met with Miles Sand and Gravel regarding their agreement to receive reclaimed water from the City and the possibility to annex into the City. He also met with the Colvin's on their involvement with the Ag Park. He is looking into a grant for low income families to up grade their heating in their homes. He has scheduled a meeting on 3/25/24 regarding flood insurance. PSE charges for street lighting, they increased their rates in 2003 and sent us a bill for 6 months for \$6,000.00. He is going to contact the City's PSE rep to help with the costs.

12. 1) Bucoda/Tenino Healthy Action Team (BTHAT)

2) Solid Waste Advisory Board

3) TCOMM/911

4) Tenino School Board

5) Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC)

6) Transportation Policy Board

7) Thurston County Commissioner's Office

8) Legislature

4) Tenino School Board: Miss Rodriguez took 3rd at State. Boys still have a possibility to continue to place at state.

5) Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC): ?

6) Transportation Policy Board: Wednesday morning. Information on how to remove the dam please see their website.

8) Legislature: Councilmember Gotovac reported the extension of the Comp Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS 2

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Splash Bash will be held on June 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Watterson adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

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