

Sumas City Council Meeting

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

Monday, April 08, 2024, at 7:00 PM

Minutes

PRESENT

Mayor Bruce Bosch

Council Member Jesse Clawson

Council Member Josh Clawson

Council Member Richard Postma

Council Member Todd Daniels

Council Member Jessica Koehler

1. **Opening Meeting - Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Review/Correct and/or Approve Minutes**

- a. March 25, 2024, Draft Minutes

Councilmember Daniels made a motion to approve March 25, 2024, Minutes, Councilmember Postma seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

3. **Parks Committee**

Councilmember Koehler and Councilmember Josh Clawson had met about the community garden with the garden club. The club has an idea how to make the community garden work with imposed regulations to help with any conflict amongst the gardeners. Mayor Bosch stated the new place for the community garden will be on Second Street in the city right away across from the library.

4. **Old Business**

- a. Reichhardt & Ebe Engineering Professional Services
 - A&E for Hovel Road Culverts
 - A&E for W Third Culvert
 - A&E for Multiple Roads
- b. Trantech Engineering LLC Professional Services
 - A&E on Multiple Roads
- c. Freeland & Associates, Inc. Professional Services
 - City Well Transmission Line
 - Sumas Stormwater Outfall
 - City Well Access Bridge

Jim Wright, City Attorney explained that the addendums for each contract will be based on phases and when the availability of funds the city receives.

Councilmember Daniels made a motion to authorize Mayor Bosch to sign the seven contracts with an addendum for each contract for the A&E agreements. Councilmember Jesse Clawson seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

5. New Business

6. Staff Reports

Public Works Director

Sunny Aulakh reported that the PSE will be shutting down for the next four to five weeks for upgrading, this closure will allow our crew to do work on the wellheads.

Finance Director

1. Memo - Salary Step Increase

Mollie Bost stated Carson Cortez, City Planner, has completed one-year of service, it is being recommended to move him to step two of five, effective April 1, 2024.

Councilmember Jesse Clawson motioned to affirm the salary step increase for Carson Cortez, from step one to step two, Councilmember Daniels seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

Mollie Bost also advised that the first quarter financials are there for their review and asked if they had any questions, there were no questions.

Mayor

Mayor Bosch said the Nooksack Valley Disposal cleanup day was a success and had a decent turnout for the weather conditions.

7. Voucher Approvals

The bills were presented for approval and payment. Check numbers 43194 through 43243 for \$71,203.60; EFTs in the amount \$12,040.10 & March Payroll \$204,408.41. Councilmember Postma made a motion to pay the bills, Councilmember Daniels seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

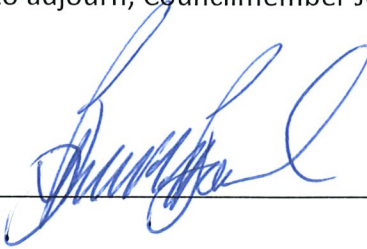
8. Executive Session


a. Discussion with legal counsel about legal risks of current or proposed action RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

Discussion with legal counsel about legal risks or current or proposed action RCW 42.30.110(1)(i); will be back in session in approximately twenty minutes at 7:35 pm. No action was taken.

9. Adjournment

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


_____, Mayor

ATTEST: 
_____, City Clerk