



City of Raymond

WASHINGTON

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Monday February 3, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The council meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Roberts. Roll was taken and it was determined the meeting was quorate.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Heidi Worlton
Steven Jones
Karen Tully
Chris Halpin-zoom
Tony Nordin-zoom
Jovon Vaughn
Jason McVey

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT

Bill Didion, Fire Chief
Debra Pearson, Deputy Clerk
Eric Weiberg, Public Works Director

APPROVAL OF AGENDA, CONSENT AGENDA & MINUTES

Councilor Vaughn moved to approve the amended agenda, consent agenda for tonight's meeting, and the minutes of the January 21st, 2025, meeting. Motion carried. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

TIMBERLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY UPDATE ON ANYWHERE LIBRARY SERVICES

No one from the library was present to give the presentation.

POOL BOARD UPDATE BY TIA CHANNELL

Tia Channell gave an update on the financial standing of the Pool Board. They were awarded four grants and were able to pay the City back in full for the heaters, purchase an ADA chair lift and new filters. They are now meeting quarterly instead of monthly.

2025 LODGING TAX APPLICATIONS -Action

Councilor Jones motioned to keep the dollar amounts awarded the same as 2023. After much discussion, Councilor Jones amended his motion to give the Willapa Harbor Chamber \$3500, the NW Carriage Museum \$3500 and the Seaport Museum \$2000, for a total of \$9000 allotted. Motion carried. Motion passed with 2 abstentions and 5 ayes.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS AND THE CITY OF RAYMOND FOR CITY HALL -Action

Discussion took place on what this agreement entails. Councilor Vaughn moved to approve Mayor Roberts signing the agreement between Environmental Works and the City of Raymond for design work on the new city hall. Motion carried. Motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

- Fire Chief Bill Didion stated that they have been very busy with calls and wanted to thank Raymond PD for their help on many of the calls. He also thanked PW Director Weiberg and his crew for all their help with the water leak on Henkle and getting things taken care of so quickly.
- Police Chief Pat Matlock was absent.
- Public Works Director Eric Weiberg reported that there had been a water main break on Henkle Street the previous week. Also, they are trying to come up with a plan to be proactive with houses that have had fires and getting proper inspections. Last he stated that the crew has been busy trying to make sure the roads are safe and clear from the winter weather we are having.
- Deputy Clerk Debra Pearson congratulated Tia on receiving the Citizen of the Year award from the WHCC.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Roberts reported that the owners of the Timberland Village Mobile Home Park are being sued by the Attorney General for unfair rent practices at other parks they own and wanted to get the word out to the tenants of our local park so they can file a complaint with issues they have been having here.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Jones wanted to acknowledge the hard work Public Works Parks Lead Jeff Williams has been doing to make the City look so nice. Councilor Vaughn reported that the Willapa Harbor Chamber Banquet was a huge success and congratulated Tia Channell for being named Citizen of the Year.

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss and no objections, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Roberts at 5:48 PM.

ATTEST:



Debra Pearson, Deputy Clerk



Dee Roberts, Mayor