



**MEETING MINUTES FOR WORKSHOP,  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2025 BUDGET**

**Fire Hall - 111 D Street  
December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00 PM**

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**WORKSHOP**

Jeff Johnson Interim Director of Aberdeen Food Bank gave his presentation.

Monika Kuhnau with Harbor Architects gave her presentation on the New Municipal Building. Along with Clerk Kerry Barr on financials regarding the building.

**FLAG SALUTE - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

Mayor pro tem Skinner calls the meeting to order, and Clerk Barr takes Roll Call.

PRESENT: Councilmember Kim Skinner, Councilmember Jeremy Winn, Councilmember Justin Spargo, Councilmember Mark Collett, Councilmember Sue Darcy.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Spargo motioned to approve the agenda, and Councilmember Darcy seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Collett motioned to approve the consent agenda, and Councilmember Spargo seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Darcy comments asking Councilmembers to keep Citizen's in mind when making votes and the impact the decision may have on them.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Auditing** – Councilmember Skinner reports going through vouchers with no issues.

**Finance** – No report.

**Parks** – No report.

**Public Safety** – No report, meeting is next week.

**Public Works** – No report, meeting is next week.

## **CITY OFFICIAL REPORTS**

**Clerk/Treasurer** – Clerk Barr reports everything is in to the State Auditor’s office that was requested, and we should have the final report soon.

**Police Chief Report** – Working on agreements for Flock Safety that was previously talked about. They are still accepting applications for the Citizens Academy.

**Fire Chief Report** – Chief Falley was not present, no report.

**Building Inspector** – Bill Sidor continues to work on the Fee Schedule, adding relevant figures for 2024.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Springer was unable to attend, No report.

## **NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION**

1. Public Hearing for 2025 Budget. Tara Dunford made one correction on document since last meeting regarding EMS fees. No public comments.
2. Tara Dunford had no comments for Ordinance 1396 for the 2025 Budget.
3. Tara Dunford comments no changes have been made to this since the first reading of Ordinance 1397 for the 2024 Budget Amendment. Councilmember Winn asks the approximate number of EMS fee changes. Councilmember Darcy asked if they had found the starting amount of the Makarenko Park fund, Tara answered \$320,500. Councilmember Winn followed up on the Local Improvement fund, Clerk Barr says Mayor Springer is waiting on a response from the Arbitrage Attorney.

4. Councilmember Spargo informs citizens about this Interlocal agreement with Grays Harbor County for Public Works help. Councilmember Darcy reminds us that this is at no cost to the city until we need their help.
5. Clerk Barr opens for comments or discussion on the Lemay annual rate adjustment with no further comments.
6. Clerk Barr presents the CIAW City insurance Premium Finance Agreement. Councilmember Winn asks about the change in price from last year to this year and what the reason for this is, Clerk Barr informs him on changes to the deductibles. Councilmember Winn asks if there are better options for the city on insurances, to which Clerk Barr says this is something to investigate. There was continued conversation on this topic.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – No comments.**

**NEW BUSINESS – COUNCIL ACTION**

1. Councilmember Spargo motioned to move on *Ordinance 1396 for 2025 Budget*, Councilmember Darcy seconded.

Councilmember Skinner took roll call vote:

Councilmember Winn – Yea  
Councilmember Spargo – Yea  
Councilmember Collett – Yea  
Councilmember Darcy – Yea  
Councilmember Skinner – Yea

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Councilmember Skinner motioned to approve *Ordinance 1397 for 2024 Budget Amendment*, Councilmember Collett seconded.

Councilmember Skinner took roll call vote:

Councilmember Winn – Yea  
Councilmember Spargo – Yea  
Councilmember Collett – Yea  
Councilmember Darcy – Yea  
Councilmember Skinner – Yea

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Councilmember Collett motioned to approve Interlocal Agreement renewal with Grays Harbor County Public Works, Councilmember Winn seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Councilmember Skinner motioned to approve Lemay Annual Rate Adjustment; Councilmember Spargo seconded. Councilmember Spargo also mentions he would be willing to work together for the next contract with Lemay.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Councilmember Spargo motioned to approve the CIAW City Insurance Premium Finance Agreement, Councilmember Collett Seconded. Councilmember Spargo asked Clerk Barr if we will be looking into new options for next year.

Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – No comments.**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS** – Councilmember Winn gives thanks to Chief Falley and the Firefighters for getting the lights on the tree in preparation for the Tree Lighting ceremony. He also gave thanks to Mayor Springer and Michelle Fogus. Councilmember Spargo reminds citizens that they will be having the Tree Lighting Ceremony at 4:30 this Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>. Councilmember Skinner informs Citizens of the different happenings coming up this month.

Councilmember Spargo motioned to Adjourn; Councilmember Collett seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM