



# McCleary Regular City Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 28, 2026 – 6:30 PM

McCleary Community Center and Zoom Virtual Meeting

## Minutes

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Meeting ID: 787 855 3789

(253) 215-8782

Mayor Brycen Huff

Councilmember Jacob Simmons

Councilmember Brent Schiller

Councilmember Andrea Dahl, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmember Keith Klimek

### Agenda Modifications/Acceptance

Motion made by Councilmember Dahl to accept the agenda, which was seconded by Councilmember Schiller.

Motion is approved.

### Announcements

1. Vacant City Council Seat #2

Mayor Huff announced that there is currently a vacant seat on the City Council. Anyone interested in being considered should submit a letter of interest to Mayor Huff.

Letters of interest will be accepted through the second City Council meeting in February.

2. Open Planning Commission Seat

Mayor Huff stated there is an open seat on the Planning Commission. For more questions, check the city website. Letters of interest are to be sent to Mayor Huff at City Hall.

### Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

3. Public comment is limited to a maximum of three minutes per person. Please refrain from interrupting the speaker. Your comments should be respectful and courteous. Please note that this is for comment only, and the council or staff cannot engage in conversations with the public.

No public comment was made.

### Consent Agenda

4. Claims Agenda

The following items are distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and review, and the recommended action will be accepted in a single motion.

Any item may be removed for further discussion if requested by a Councilmember.

i. Approval of checks/vouchers/disbursements numbers 55358 to 55455 including EFT's dated 01/01/26-01/23/26 in the amount of \$511,862.16

Mayor Huff read the consent agenda.

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Mayor Huff discussed price changes to major expenditures.

Councilmember Dahl requested a different allocation plan presentation, which would include the Finance Committee.

Motion made by Councilmember Dahl to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Councilmember Klimek.

Motion is approved.

### **New Business**

5. Review the proposed 2026 Council Calendar

Mayor Huff reviewed the proposed calendar.

Councilmember Simmons requested that September return to a two-meeting-per-month schedule.

Councilmember Dahl, made a motion to approve the schedule. Councilmember Schiller seconded.

Motion is approved.

### **Ordinances and Resolutions**

6. Resolution Suspending Stormwater Adjustment

This resolution was recognized by City Deputy Clerk Pryor as #788.

Mayor Huff explained resolution #788.

Councilmember Dahl made a motion to approve this resolution. This was seconded by Councilmember Simmons.

Motion is approved.

### **Council Comments**

Mayor Huff announced that he and Councilmember Dahl, attended a meeting with Grays Harbor Fire District 12 as part of ongoing discussions regarding the potential annexation of the McCleary Fire Department.

Grays Harbor Fire District 12 has a target date of August 12 to place the matter on the ballot.

Councilmember Dahl explained that representatives from Grays Harbor Fire District 12 will attend a future City Council meeting to answer questions regarding the matter.

McCleary Fire Department Chief Pittman corresponded with the Council regarding questions about the annexation.

Councilmember Dahl confirmed that progress is being made on the comprehensive plans necessary for development.

Councilmember Schiller questioned the current water plans being utilized by the City.

### **Mayor Comments**

Mayor Huff announced that a Maintenance I position is being posted internally, with an external posting to follow. He also announced the preparation of the Clerk-Treasurer position posting and invited any Councilmembers interested in serving on the interview panel to correspond with him.

Mayor Huff announced a new hire for the Police Department, who has accepted a conditional offer. He reported attending the Council of Governments for Grays Harbor Luncheon and E911 meetings, noting his position on the board.

Mayor Huff expressed sadness over the passing of Dan Baskins and extended condolences to Local 77 following the loss of a worker.

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He reported a service issue that has been corrected and discussed the possibility of resigning the contract with A2Z Cleaning.

Mayor Huff described ongoing restoration work on Sam's Canal and reminded all that the Museum is hosting a celebration, inquiring about potential City partnerships.

Finally, he discussed a meeting with the Public Works Committee regarding the repair of town alleys.

Councilmember Dahl stated the city needs extra focus on obtaining a cleaning company.

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Resident Mark recommended entering into a contract for cleaning services.

Teri Franklin expressed concern regarding the interpretation of recent water studies.

#### **Executive Session**

8. Per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, litigation, or potential litigation.

Executive session was set for five minutes, beginning at 7:00. Executive session returned at 7:12.

#### **Closed Session**

9. Per RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) to discuss collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.

Closed session was set for 15 minutes at 7:13. Closed session was completed at 7:28.

#### **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 7:28.

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