



**City of Saxman
Totem and Tourism Committee
Meeting
August 13, 2025
5:30 PM**

AGENDA

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comment

Consideration of the Agenda

Consent Agenda

1. April 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Background: Committee to review and approve April 24, 2025 meeting minutes.

Old Business

2. Code Talker Pole

Background:

The City of Saxman is proposing the commissioning of a Code Talker Totem Pole to honor the Tlingit Code Talkers who played a crucial role in World War II. These brave individuals used the Tlingit language to develop an unbreakable code, aiding U.S. military operations and contributing to the war effort. Despite their invaluable service, the contributions of Indigenous Code Talkers remained unrecognized for decades.

This totem pole will serve as a lasting tribute to the Tlingit Code Talkers, ensuring their legacy is preserved and honored for future generations. The pole's design will incorporate traditional Tlingit form line art while symbolizing the strength, resilience, and intelligence of these unsung heroes. the project will be developed in collaboration with local carvers, elders, and historians to ensure cultural and historical accuracy.

The City of Saxman seeks to move forwards with approving the initial design concept, identifying funding sources, and determining the location for this significant symbol to honor our Code Talkers.

New Business

3. Tourism Permit Rate

Background: The Council is to review and set rates for the 2026 tourism season. Action is required to establish official rates in preparation for the upcoming tourism year.

4. Execute Session

Background: Proprietary

Council Comments

Adjournment