



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES MARCH 17, 2025

This meeting was conducted in person at Snoqualmie City Hall and remotely using Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - Chair Rob Wotton called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Committee Members: Councilmembers Rob Wotton, Cara Christensen (remote), and Catherine Cotton were present.

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff:

Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Dena Burke, City Attorney; Gary Horejsi, Acting Police Chief; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Christopher Brown, Deputy Fire Chief; Deana Dean, City Clerk; and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

AGENDA APPROVAL - The agenda was approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were no public comments.

MINUTES

1. The minutes dated February 18, 2025, and March 3, 2025, were approved as presented.

AGENDA BILLS

2. **AB25-042:** Ambulance Services Agreement. This item was introduced by Deputy Chief Brown who reviewed the request to enter into an agreement with Tri-Med Ambulance for the transport of patients as needed. Committee questions followed. This item was approved to move forward on the March 24, 2025, City Council meeting on the consent agenda.
3. **AB25-043:** Sunnyside Jail Interlocal Agreement Renewal. This item was introduced by Acting Chief Horejsi who indicated the request is to renew the Sunnyside jail contract noting the contract automatically renews however this renewal adopts updated rates. Committee questions followed. This item was approved to move forward to the March 24, 2025, City Council meeting on the consent agenda.
4. **AB25-044:** Yakima County Jail Services Interlocal Agreement. This item was introduced by Acting Chief Horejsi who reviewed the request to enter into an agreement with Yakima County Jail for inmate housing. He also noted Snoqualmie had a contract with Yakima pre-COVID. Benefits to this agreement include housing of female inmates and lower costs. Committee questions followed. This item was approved to move forward to the March 24, 2025, City Council meeting on the non-consent agenda.

DISCUSSION – There were no discussion items.

NEW BUSINESS – There were no new business items.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – There were no items for future discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:31 pm.

Minutes prepared by Deana Dean, City Clerk.

Recorded meeting audio is available on the City website after the meeting.

Minutes approved at the April 21, 2025, Public Safety Committee Meeting.