



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 21, 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 5:01 pm.

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

Mayor Katherine Ross and Councilmember Ethan Benson were also present.

City Staff:

Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Dena Burke, City Attorney; Brian Lynch, Police Chief; Gary Horejsi, Police Captain; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Drew Bouta, Finance Director; and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

AGENDA APPROVAL - The agenda was approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Ethan Benson, Snoqualmie, commented on the incident in New Orleans on Bourbon Street and how that may relate to Snoqualmie's King Street closure. He also commented on the California wildfires and inquired into how wildfires could affect Snoqualmie.

MINUTES

1. The minutes dated January 6, 2025, were approved as presented.

AGENDA BILLS

2. **AB25-002:** Amendment to the 2019 North Bend Interlocal Agreement for Police Services. This item was introduced by City Administrator Chambless. Committee comments followed. Public comment was received by North Bend Mayor Mary Miller and Mayor Pro Tem/Councilmember Mark Joselyn who expressed their support for building a strong and positive relationship between the two cities. Chief Lynch thanked the North Bend representatives for speaking and being present tonight. Administrator Chambless noted there will be a Joint Public Safety Committee meeting with North Bend when Chief Lynch presents his annual report - date to be determined. Additional committee comments followed. Mayor Ross thanked North Bend for being present this evening and for their comments. This item will be heard at the January 27, 2025, City Council meeting on the non-consent agenda.

DISCUSSION

3. E-Bikes Discussion. Presentation provided by Chief Lynch. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

- CM Cotton indicated Reclaim has offered City Council a tour of their facility. Chair Wotton requested CM Cotton bring this topic up at the Monday Council meeting.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 pm.

Minutes taken by Deana Dean, City Clerk.

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

Minutes approved at the February 3, 2025, Public Safety Committee Meeting