



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2026, AT 5:00 PM

SNOQUALMIE CITY HALL, 38624 SE RIVER STREET & ZOOM

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

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL.

Chair Wotton called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Committee Members: Councilmembers Rob Wotton, Bryan Holloway, and Catherine Cotton were present.

Executive: Mayor James Mayhew was also present.

City Staff: City Attorney Dena Burke, Interim Police Chief Gary Horejsi, Fire Chief Mike Bailey, Executive Assistant Rebecca Solem, and IT Support Specialist Jimmie Betts.

AGENDA APPROVAL.

Motion: Councilmember Wotton made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Cotton.

Motion passed: (3-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no public comments.

MINUTES.

1. Approval of the minutes dated April 6, 2026.

Motion: Councilmember Holloway made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Cotton.

Motion passed: (3-0).

2. Approval of the minutes dated April 20, 2026.

The minutes were unanimously approved as amended.

AGENDA BILLS

DISCUSSION

3. Presentation: Ordinance on Animal Cruelty.

City Attorney Dena Burke presented an update regarding an upcoming ordinance on animal cruelty. Committee discussion followed.

Motion: The Committee unanimously agreed that the presentation will not be moved to committee but to have the first reading of the associated agenda bill at the next Public Safety Committee Meeting.

4. Presentation: Fire Department 1st Quarter Accreditation Report.

Fire Chief Bailey presented an update regarding the 1st quarter accreditation report. Committee discussion followed.

Motion: The Committee unanimously decided to include the presentation slides in May 26th council meeting agenda packet, but not to have Chief Bailey present on the topic.

5. Presentation: Issaquah Jail Rate Increase.

Interim Police Chief Horejsi presented an update regarding the Issaquah jail rate increase. Committee discussion followed.

Motion: The Committee unanimously decided to move forward with receiving an agenda bill.

6. Discussion: Traffic Camera Update.

Interim Police Chief Horejsi provided an update regarding traffic cameras. Committee discussion followed.

7. Discussion: Fireworks Stand.

Fire Chief Bailey provided an update regarding the allowance of fireworks stands within City limits this summer.

Committee discussion followed.

Motion: The Committee unanimously decided discussion did not need to go to council prior to the agenda bills AB26-022, AB26-023.

8. Discussion: School Zone Enforcement

Interim Police Chief Horejsi provided an update regarding the recent enforcement efforts within school zones.

Committee discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION.

There were no future discussion items requested.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 pm.

*Minutes taken by Rebecca Solem, Temp Executive Assistant.
Recorded meeting audio is available on the City website after the meeting. Minutes approved at the May 18, 2026 Public Safety Committee Meeting*