

**City Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 09, 2026**

Minutes

WORK SESSION

Mayor Watterson convened the work session at 6:30 pm with:

PRESENT

Councilmember Elaine Klamn
Councilmember Adam Carney
Councilmember Tianne Curtiss

ABSENT

Councilmember Linda Gotovac
Councilmember Jeff Eisel

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Watterson convened the regular Council Meeting at 7:30PM with:

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Councilmember Elaine Klamn
Councilmember Adam Carney
Councilmember Tianne Curtiss

ABSENT

Councilmember Linda Gotovac
Councilmember Jeff Eisel

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AGENDA APPROVAL

1. Agenda Approval

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the 06/09/2026 Agenda as presented.

Motion to approve the agenda with the absence of Councilmembers Linda Gotovac and Jeff Eisel.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Curtiss.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Carney, Councilmember Curtiss.

Motion passes: 3/0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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2. Approval of Minutes

Recommended Action: Motion to approve the 05/26/2026 Minutes as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Curtiss, Seconded by Councilmember Carney.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Carney, Councilmember Curtiss.

Motion passes: 3/0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Consent Calendar for May 27, 2026 through June 09, 2026 consisting of:

Payroll EFT's in the amount of \$9,862.63 and Claims Checks #34150 through #34192 and EFT's in the amount of \$431,272.44 for a Grand Total of \$441,135.07.

Liquor License Renewals: None

Recommended Action: Move to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Klamn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Carney, Councilmember Curtiss.

Motion passes: 3/0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Waterworth presentation.

A financial forecasting and revenue calibration solution adopted by hundreds of organizations across North America. Our job is to help utilities like yours plan financially-so you can avoid surprises, avoid emergency rate hikes, and make smart choices about how to invest in your infrastructure.

Waterworth presentation Outcomes: To have a clear picture on current/forecasted financials. Understanding of WW tool/process and how they produce the information and help give confidence in the results.

Establish Financial Baseline > Build Long-term Financial Forecasts > Determine Revenue Needs and Funding Strategies > Communicate, Refine and Repeat.

They walked everyone through their service forecasting rates and demand adjust models for the different potential options for rate increases per the actual outcome of loan payoffs, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At 7:33PM Ronald J. Sorenson proposed that the city utilize the natural sustainable use of Hemp instead of Wood to make historical and usable money as we have in the past with Wooden Money. Maybe sell it like the Wooden Money in the past and help raise money to help the city finances.

John O'Callahan was requested to attend to share the update that the Veterans Wall is almost done. There will be a celebration in July. He would like to give a big Thanks to Stone Carver Keith Phillips for getting this almost done, and to pat Frank Hicks on the back and a big thank you if you see him for all he has done for this project.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

5. In Honor and Recognition of the Tenino Police Department and all who have served therein 1906-2026.

Mayor Watterson addressed the Tenino Police Department past and present. He presented the Official Proclamation in Honor and Recognition of the Tenino Police Department and all who have served therein 1906-2026:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City of Tenino, Washington, that the Mayor, City Council, and all the people of this City do hereby:

HONOR and CELEBRATE the one hundred and twenty years of service rendered by the Tenino Police Department, recognizing it as a pillar of this community whose contributions have shaped the character and safety of our city. EXTEND the deepest and most heartfelt gratitude to every officer, dispatcher, and staff member who dedicated a portion of their life to this Department — your service was not given in vain, and it will not be forgotten. ACKNOWLEDGE the families of those who served, whose support and sacrifice made it possible for their loved ones to answer the call of duty day after day, often without recognition or thanks. COMMIT to preserving the memory of the Tenino Police Department as an enduring part of this City's history, so that future generations may know the names and deeds of those who came before them.

LET IT BE KNOWN to all present and all who shall come after, that the service of the Tenino Police Department was honorable, that its officers were faithful, and that this City is immeasurably grateful for every year of protection and dedication they gave.

Officers in attendance: Prior Lt. Officer Lee, Current Officer McClellan and Officer Sneed. Each officer spoke of their time on duty in Tenino and what they value of their time here. Officer McClellan recognized PD Administrator Maria Rodriguez for her years of support and being an invaluable part of the Police Department and Chief Auderer for his supervisory role and guidance.

OLD BUSINESS

6. Ordinance 941:

An ordinance of the city of Tenino, Washington, amending the Tenino municipal code chapter 8.09 (fireworks) to align discharge times with Thurston county code.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Ordinance 941.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Curtiss.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Carney, Councilmember Curtiss.

Motion passes: 3/0.

7. Ordinance 942:

An ordinance of the city of Tenino, Washington, amending the Tenino municipal code chapter 8.09 (fireworks) to align retail sales and purchase times with Thurston county code.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve Ordinance 942.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Curtiss.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Carney, Councilmember Curtiss.

Motion passes: 3/0.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

ORDINANCES

8. Development Code Update - Flood Hazard Regulations

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council approves to forward the proposed amendments to TMC Chapter 5.24, Flood Hazard Regulations to Washington State Department of Commerce for 60 day notice to adopt.

Recommended Action: Motion to approve moving the proposed amendments to TMC Chapter 5.24, Flood Hazard Regulations to Washington State Department of Commerce for 60 day notice to adopt.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Curtiss.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Carney, Councilmember Curtiss.

Motion passes: 3/0.

REPORTS

9. Outside Agency

- 1) Chamber of Commerce - Evening Business Meeting, June 17, 5:30pm at the Sandstone Café. Guest Speaker is Shuana Stewart with Experience Olympia and Beyond.
- 2) Economic Development Council (EDC) - Business Awards Program, June 24, 3-5pm, Hanger 51 at the Airport.
- 3) South Thurston Economic Development Initiative (STEDI) - No STEDI meeting in June because of the Federal Holiday.
- 4) ARCH Commission 5) Experience Olympia & Beyond (VCB)
- 6) South Thurston Fire & EMS - Councilmember Carney met with Chief Gray, test flow rates need to be done, there are opportunities around the city to coordinate with the Fire Department more closely. Business inspections, work on a way to get something implemented.
- 7) Thurston County Sheriff's Office - LT McIver presented the stats for May 2026, there were 90 calls for Service, he stated that not all the stats are a negative. He did not start actively assessing the calls until late April so there is only a small time of comparison. With Summer coming up there will be an increase of kids running around and to remind folks to call in or submit online any issues, online if there is no proof or identification. Call if there is evidence of a person of interest or evidence of a crime. He states that they are to be putting an extra David car in the area, that will give 2 cars in town at a time.

10. 13. Committees/Commissions

- 1) Civil Service Commission - Mayor contacted the attorney to find out if we need to keep the commission in place for a while and he said that we should keep it in place for a while.
- 2) Finance Committee - Councilmember Carney, they met last Wednesday. They were looking into the cybersecurity grant, looking at grants to provide upgrades.
- 3) Planning Commission - SCJ, will discuss short term rentals next month at meeting on 7/8/26.

11. 14. Staff

- 4) Clerk/Treasurer - C/T Reddick asked the council if they had received and read through the Treasurers report and 2026 Budget Position. Still working on unclaimed property. Putting in grant as Councilmember Carney discussed for Cyber Security. Beginning to work on Gambling tax, we are above state maximum on one of the businesses.
- 5) Mayor - Watterson has checked back in on the Surplus Properties, he has spoke with Dave Champagne at Castle Realty about getting the ball rolling on listing the properties. Reported on recent TRPC meeting attended, they spoke about traffic affected when accidents occur on the interstate that close down area for long periods of time and what that creates for alternative traffic routes. Tenino being a main route for accidents on I-5 brings to light the need to look at provisions that can be made to ensure the safety on Sussex and 507.

12. 15. Liaisons

5) Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) - Mayor Watterson reported that they spoke about traffic affected when accidents occur on the interstate that close down area for long periods of time and what that creates for alternative traffic routes. Tenino being a main route for accidents on I-5 brings to light the need to look at provisions that can be made to ensure the safety on Sussex and 507.

6) Transportation Policy Board - Meeting is tomorrow 6/10/26.

9) Oregon Trail Days - Councilmember Curtiss reported that everything is moving right along, they are working on the staging. They have entries coming in.

PUBLIC COMMENTS 2

John O'Callahan finished speaking of the history of the Veterans Wall and what the significance of the new one. This is to honor the Tenino Students over the years that put on uniforms for our country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Watterson adjourned the meeting at 7:58pm.