

**City Council Meeting  
Tuesday, April 14, 2026**

**Minutes**

**WORK SESSION**

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

**PRESENT**

Councilmember Linda Gotovac

Councilmember Elaine Klamn

Councilmember Jeff Eisel

Councilmember Adam Carney

**ABSENT**

Councilmember Tianne Curtiss

1. Old 99 paving bid update

Opened bids up and they were less than before. Unlike last time we cannot go any further since we are going all the way to the county line.

2. Major contracts update

SCJ Alliance and Gibbs & Olsen are large expenses but looking into it they are mostly paid from Grants, about 80%. Right Systems looked through our contract and would be able to save us roughly \$3,000 per month.

3. Lifeguards update

It has been posted to our Website and Facebook that we are now accepting applications for Lifeguards

4. State Reclaimed Water Permit update

This requires assistance from Gibbs & Olsen.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**PRESENT**

Councilmember Linda Gotovac

Councilmember Elaine Klamn

Councilmember Jeff Eisel

Councilmember Adam Carney

**ABSENT**

Councilmember Tianne Curtiss

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## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

### 5. Agenda Approval

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the 04/14/2026 Agenda as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Gotovac, Seconded by Councilmember Carney.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### 6. Approval of Minutes

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the 03/24/2026 Minutes as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Klamn, Seconded by Councilmember Carney.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### 7. Consent Calendar for March 25, 2026 through April 14, 2026 consisting of:

Payroll EFT's in the amount of \$0 and Claims Checks #34005 through #34050 and EFT's in the amount of \$176,043.83 for a Grand Total of \$176,043.83.

Liquor License Renewals: None

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

Motion made by Councilmember Gotovac, Seconded by Councilmember Klamn.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Watterson stated he would try to have next meeting..

## **PRESENTATIONS**

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

8. Ali Fuller the Walk N Roll Program Representative & BCC Coordinator for Intercity Transit would like to Thank the City of Tenino joining in all the Bicycle Month fun! She would like to also briefly share about some bike events and programs happening around Thurston County.

Ali Fuller presented a short presentation and thank you for supporting this program and Bicycle Month Proclamation.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

9. Tenino Food Bank Solar Contract.

**Recommended Action:** Move to approve the proposed Tenino Food Bank Solar Contract.

Mayor Watterson presented that the bid came in less than the grant so they will be able to do a bit more than originally planned. This Contract has been reviewed by the City's Attorney and approved to move to council for approval.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

10. Tenino Food Bank LOI

**Recommended Action:** Move to approve the Tenino Food Bank LOI proposal.

Motion made by Councilmember Gotovac, Seconded by Councilmember Eisel.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

11. Tenino Prosecutor Contract

**Recommended Action:** Move to approve the Tenino Prosecutor Contract for 2026-2027.

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

12. Old Highway 99 Phase 2 | Recommendation of Award

**Recommended Action:** Move to approve the Old Highway 99 Phase 2 - Bid Award Recommendation.

Motion made by Councilmember Gotovac, Seconded by Councilmember Carney.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

13. March Treasurer's Report.

C/T Reddick presented the documents she provided, the Budget position, LGIP Statement, LGIP, Treasurer's Report, Check register, Savings register, Trust register.

**RESOLUTIONS**

14. Resolution Of The City Of Tenino, Washington, Declaring Certain City Weapon And Badge To Be Surplus And Of No Further Use To The City And Authorizing the Sale And Disposition Thereof.

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the Resolution Of The City Of Tenino, Washington, Declaring Certain City Weapon And Badge To Be Surplus And Of No Further Use To The City And Authorizing the Sale And Disposition Thereof

Motion made by Councilmember Carney, Seconded by Councilmember Gotovac.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember Eisel, Councilmember Carney.

Motion passes: 4/0.

**ORDINANCES**

None.

**REPORTS**

**15. Outside Agency**

1) Chamber of Commerce - Lunch tomorrow 4/15/26 at noon at the Sandstone Cafe. FFA kids from the High School will be speaking as well as Jessica Reeves-Rush.

2) Economic Development Council (EDC) - Business luncheon, June 24th at Hanger 51 in Olympia.

3) South Thurston Economic Development Initiative (STEDI) - Friday, April 17th at 8am in the Bucoda Gym

## **16. 13. Committees/Commissions**

- 1) Civil Service Commission - Jody and Maria discussed if they had everything to close out 2025.
- 3) Planning Commission - New Commissioner Brian was in attendance and introduced.

## **17. 14. Staff**

- 2) Director of Public Works - they are going to be working on a couple of Fire Hydrants. Flow tests, Fire department to help us get caught up.
- 3) Code Enforcement/Building Inspector - We have 13 new permits on the books so far in 2026. Working on getting last years permits cleared up. Fire Marshall did a walk through at the Concessions.
- 4) PARC Specialist - Continuing to work on grants.
- 5) Clerk/Treasurer - The councilmembers should have all received the Treasurer's report along with the Budget Position packet. Final loan payment this year on the Wastewater treatment plant, we are going to request they defer over the next couple of years. Unfortunately means a little more interest. it was a 20 yr loan, that comes out of the sewer reserve fund.
- 6) Mayor - Met with Deputy Prosecutor and she felt like they could offer services for less that what we are paying, he spoke with our current Prosecutor and they agreed it would be better all the way around to take they proposed contract. Met with Tumwater and they are in a similar spot had zoom on Public Health. National Child Abuse Prevention Month, it was eye opening to hear and that a large percent of homeless have some sort of past abuse be it physical, mental, etc. Illnesses increasing in Thurston County, Many cases of Measles and TB rates increased. Huge increase in call volume in our county, mostly age related situations. They changed the makeup of the health board, two young new members, one is a Junior and the other a Sophomore in high school, they think it will bring new outlook to the board. Had City meeting on the 28th, met with Bucoda, they got a big grant for study on trail work. They want to talk about our capacity at the sewer plant. They will come to next meeting to talk about utilizing our sewer. Councilmember Carney requests that Public Works Director Troy be present for that meeting. Our water is concerning but not our sewer.

## **18. 15. Liaisons**

- 1) Bucoda/Tenino Healthy Action Team (BTHAT) - Drug Take Back, Saturday 4/25/26 at the Tenino Police Station.
- 2) Solid Waste Advisory Board - Councilmember Klamn reported April 29th is Recycle Education at the Thurston County Fairgrounds, "Yard waste" bins now called "Organic Waste" & how to clean/sanitize.

5) Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) - South County Program.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS 2**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Watterson gave a reminder that the Splash Bash is on May 16th.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Watterson adjourned the meeting at 7:42pm.