

## Town of Yacolt Special Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 20, 2025

6:00 PM

Town Hall

### Call to Order

6:00 PM

### Flag Salute

### Roll Call

Council Members Present: Jeff Carothers, Kandi Peto, Craig Carroll, Brandon Russell

Council Member Absent: Marina Viray

Also present: Mayor Ian Shealy, Public Works Director Terry Gardner, and Clerk Stephanie Fields

Motion was made to excuse Councilmember Viray's absence

**Motion:** Carothers                      2<sup>nd</sup>: Carroll

**Aye:** Carothers, Peto, Carroll, Russell      **Nay:** 0      **Absent:** Viray

**Motion Carried**

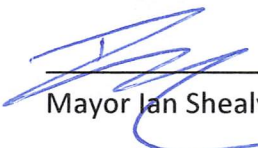
### New Business

#### **Public Hearing #1 re: 2026 Proposed Budget**

Mayor Shealy closed the regular meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 pm. Clerk Fields described the Town's ability to use banked capacity tax revenues, which Council welcomed.

Then Council discussed more trims to the budget, including eliminating some purchases by Public Works, reducing improvements to Town Hall's exterior, capping legal services fees, and possibly eliminating our lobbying firm. Then they discussed dialing in both revenues and expenditures to make them as realistic as possible, and decided that the Town really does need to work on more revenue generation. When discussion came to an end, Mayor Shealy closed the Public Hearing and re-opened the regular meeting at 7:43 pm.

**Adjourn:** 7:44 pm

  
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Mayor Ian Shealy

  
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Clerk Stephanie Fields

Approved by Council vote on 11-10-25