



**CITY OF WASHOUGAL
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, February 26, 2024
7:00 PM**

MEETING INFORMATION

Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83672286275>

I. INVOCATION - Mike Hansen

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor David Stuebe called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Stuebe, and Councilmembers Michelle Wagner, David Fritz, Molly Coston, Julie Russell, Ernie Suggs, and Tia Robertson.

Staff:

David Scott, City Manager
Robert Zeinemann, City Attorney
Daniel Layer, Finance Director/City Clerk
Teresa Stedman, Human Resources & Risk Director
Michelle Wright, Public Works Business Manager
Rose Jewell, Community Engagement Manager

V. RECOGNITION: Employee Years of Service

Mayor Stuebe and **Teresa Stedman** presented the following awards:

Jason Van Aalsburg, 10 years of service
Myron Crumpacker, 30 years of service

VI. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

VII. PROCLAMATIONS: Youth Art Month and Red Cross Month

Councilmember Coston read the Washougal Youth Art Month Proclamation in its entirety.

Alice Yang and **Dr. Mary Templeton**, with the Washougal School District, were present to receive the proclamation.

Councilmember Fritz read the Red Cross Month Proclamation in its entirety.

Vicky Wessling, with the Red Cross, was present to receive the proclamation.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tia Billings, Refuel Washougal, gave an update on the shelter that was opened during the recent winter/ice storm.

Joey Bailey, Washougal resident, spoke on current events.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items will be passed by a single motion to approve all listed actions and resolutions. There will be no discussion on these items unless requested by Council. If discussion is requested, the item will be moved from the Consent Agenda and considered separately - after the motion has been made and passed to approve the remaining items.

Unanimous consent to approve the consent agenda as read. Suggs / No objections.

- A. Special Meeting Minutes of January 29, 2024**
- B. Workshop Minutes of February 12, 2024**
- C. Council Minutes of February 12, 2024**
- D. Payroll Claims of February 15, 2024, Totaling \$373,297.09**
- E. Accounts Payable of February 8-15, 2024 - Totaling \$568,109.54**
- F. Authorize the City Manager to Sign: WA State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Grant Resolution/Authorization for the Washougal Towncenter Park**
Agenda Bill #06-2024

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution: Forming Regional Fire Authority Planning Committee**
Agenda Bill #07-2024

David Scott presented the staff report and recommended action.

Discussion ensued.

Motion: To pass and post the resolution in the usual manner.
Ernie Suggs/Molly Coston Motion Passed.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joey Bailey, Washougal resident, shared an audio of the self-immolation of the Air Force service member that occurred recently in Washington, D.C. She spoke on the need for care for the soldiers.

XII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. CITY MANAGER

David Scott referenced his report given at workshop.

B. MAYOR

Mayor Stuebe reported on:

- Passing of Doug Danielson
- The City of Washougal receiving the 2024 Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Wellness Award
- Washougal Firehouse Open House
- Olympia Mayor's Exchange
- Upcoming local connections meeting on 2/27/2024
- Upcoming Chamber of Commerce lunch on 2/28/2024
- Upcoming Salvation Army Director's meeting on 2/28/2024
- Graffiti at Washougal High School

C. CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Wagner reported on:

- Upcoming Fire-Joint Policy Advisory Committee (JPAC) meeting on 3/6/2024
- Upcoming Arts Commission meeting on 3/8/2024
- Washougal Good Neighbor Handbooks that have been mailed out and shout outs to **Michele Loftus** and **Sherry Montgomery** for developing it
- Reminder that the City Council legislates on local issues

Councilmember Fritz reported on:

- Concurs with Councilmember Wagner's comments
- Reasons for being on Council
- Washougal Community Development Committee (CDC) meeting regarding setbacks and pipelines
- Washougal Firehouse 43 open house
- Meeting with Councilmember Coston
- Local Connections at The Readiness Group, Camas
- Upcoming Columbia River Economic Development Committee (CREDC) meeting in Vancouver on 2/29/2024
- Upcoming Unite Washougal meeting on 2/29/2024
- Upcoming Watershed Alliance of Southwest Washington tree planting at the Port of Camas-Washougal on 3/9/2024

Councilmember Coston reported on:

- Upcoming Wellbeing Committee meeting on 2/28/2024
- Upcoming Rotary Club social event on 2/29/2024
- Kudos to **Monie Holmes**, Assistance Finance Director, for going above and beyond in her job duties

Councilmember Robertson reported on:

- Upcoming tour of the water facility
- Scheduling wastewater treatment tour

Councilmember Russell reported on:

- JPAC meeting tomorrow, now canceled
- Upcoming Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Planning Committee meeting on 3/6/2024, confirmed by City Manager Scott
- Upcoming Ending Community Homelessness Organization (ECHO) meeting on 3/12/2024

Councilmember Suggs reported on:

- Washougal Firehouse open house
- Upcoming Community Action Advisory Board (CAAB) meetings on 3/4/2024 & 3/6/2024
- Condolences to the Danielson family
- School District Question & Answer session
- He hopes to attend the Chamber of Commerce meeting this week
- He will not be able to attend Port of Camas-Washougal meeting

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Mayor

City Clerk