



CITY OF WHITE SALMON
City Council Meeting – Wednesday, September 20, 2023
In Person and Via Zoom Teleconference

Council and Administrative Personnel Present

Council Members:

Ben Giant
Patty Fink
David Lindley
Jim Ransier
Jason Hartmann

Staff Present:

Bill Hunsaker, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement
Marla Keethler, Mayor
Stephanie Porter, Clerk Treasurer
Troy Rayburn, City Administrator
Kelly Hickok, City Attorney

I. Call to Order and Roll Call (6:00pm)

Mayor Marla Keethler called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. There were approximately 6 members of the public in attendance in person and via teleconference.

II. Changes to the Agenda (6:01pm)

Staff Requests to Remove Consent Agenda Item

B. Approval of Council Retreat Meeting Minutes- September 5, 2023

Staff Requests to Add Consent Agenda Items

E. Approval of Payment No. 5 – Mainline Phase 1 – NCE (\$141,811.94)

F. Approval USDA Outlay Report #5 with Interim Finance Draw from Cashmere Valley Bank not to exceed \$186,919.57.

Moved by Jason Hartmann. Seconded by Ben Giant.
Motion to accept changes to the agenda as requested.
CARRIED 5-0

III. Presentations (6:04pm)

A. Hispanic American Heritage Month (6:04pm)

Video outlining the life of Chicana Activist Delores Huerta.

B. Mayor's Update (6:15pm)

IV. Public Comment (6:31 pm)

Gabrielle Gilbert, Klickitat County Resident (6:32pm)

Shelley Baxter, White Salmon Resident (6:36pm)

Tao Berman, White Salmon Resident (6:38pm)

V. Consent Agenda (6:41pm)

A. Approval of Washington State Tourism Grant Application - Wayfinding (\$30,000) Retroactive

~~B. Approval of Council Retreat Minutes – September 5, 2023 (will be provided before meeting)~~

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes -September 6, 2023

D. Approval of Vouchers

E. Approval of Payment No. 5 – Mainline Phase 1 – NCE (\$141,811.94)

F. Approval USDA Outlay Report #5 with Interim Finance Draw from Cashmere Valley Bank not to exceed \$18\$186,919.57.

Vouchers audited and certified as required by RCW 42.24.080 and expense reimbursement claims as required by RCW 42.24.090 as of this 20th day of September 2023.

Type	Date	From	To	Amount
Claims	9/20/2023	40559	40607	126,068.35
	9/20/2023	EFT	EFT	0.00
			Claims Total	126,068.35
Payroll	9/20/2023	EFT	EFT	71,721.69
			Payroll Total	71,721.69
Manual Claims				
VOIDED Checks	N/A			0.00
			Manual Total	0.00
			Total All Vouchers	197,790.04

Moved by Ben Giant. Seconded by Jason Hartmann.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda with approved changes and vouchers in the amount of \$197,790.04.

CARRIED 5-0.

VI. **Business Items (6:40 pm)**

A. Ordinance 2023-09-1141 Tenant Protections

Mayor Marla Keethler presented.

Council Discussed.

Moved by Jason Hartmann. Seconded by Ben Giant.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-09-1141 Creating WSMC 5.10 Tenant Protections with Scribner change.

CARRIED 5-0.

B. 2024 Council Priorities (6:52pm)

City Council discussed the priorities brought forward at the Council Retreat.

Moved by Jim Ransier. Seconded by Jason Hartmann.

Motion to approve the Council Priorities for 2024 as:

- **Implement Housing Action Plan directives to realize increased housing opportunities for residents.**

- **Increased focus on wildfire preparation and mitigation strategies, including year-round focused community education activities.**
- **Address gaps in resources and opportunities for the city's youngest residents, to include relocating the Youth Center, clear commitments to supporting expanded childcare access, as well as increased recreation and enrichment opportunities for youth.**

CARRIED 5-0.

VII. Reports and Communications

- A. Department Heads (7:02pm)
- B. Council Members (7:06pm)
 - Patty Fink, Council Member (7:06pm)
 - Ben Giant, Council Member (7:11pm)
 - David Lindley, Council Member (7:15pm)
 - Jim Ransier, Council Member (7:22 pm)

VIII. Executive Session

No executive session needed.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26p.m.

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Marla Keethler, Mayor

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Stephanie Porter, Clerk Treasurer