

City of Selah City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 10, 2026



**Call to Order**

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Councilmembers Present: David Monaghan, Joshua Redtfeldt, Elizabeth Marquis, Jared Iverson, Clifford Peterson, William Longmire

**Staff Present:** Roger Bell, Mayor; Mike Costello, City Administrator; Rob Case, City Attorney; Mick Gause, Police Chief; Jim Lange, Fire Chief; Ty Jones, Public Works Director; Matthew Taylor, Public Works Supervisor; Kimberly Grimm, Finance Director; Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

**Staff Absent:** Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism Manager

**Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance**

**Invocation**

Jason Williams of Harvest Community Church

**Announcement of Changes**

Addition of 9A; addition of 14A

**Pre-Arranged Oral Comments**

- Pattie Graffe – Provided updates from Selah Downtown Association

**Oral Comments by People in Attendance**

- Pattie Graffe – Spoke on the outcome of a citizen issue

**Proclamation**

- Selah Youth Service Awareness and Youth Service America

**Consent Agenda (all items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered part of the consent agenda and are enacted in one motion).**

Mayor Bell presented the stipulations of the Consent Agenda.

### **Approved Consent Agenda**

- A. Courtney McGarity \* Approval of Minutes of February 24, 2026 Council Meeting
- B. Kimberly Grimm \* Approval of Claims & Payroll
- C. Jennifer Leslie \* Minutes from February 10, 2026 Planning Commission Meeting
- D. Mick Gause \* Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Fourteen-Page Record Sharing Agreement, Whereby Selah will be Able to Utilize the Washington State Patrol's (WSP's) New Traffic and Criminal Software (TraCS)
- E. Ty Jones \* Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign "Task Order No. 26038" with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for Professional Services Related to the City's E Orchard Avenue Sidewalk Improvements – South Side Project

Councilmember Iverson moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Peterson seconded. Mayor Bell asked Council for discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Bell requested a voice vote to approve the motion and approve the Consent Agenda. All are in favor. Motion carries by voice vote.

### **General Business**

- A. New Business – City Council Candidate Interviews
  - Melissa Maxwell

Councilmember Redtfeldt made a motion to appoint Melissa Maxwell to City Council. Councilmember Monaghan seconded. Following a roll call vote by Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

### **Swearing in of New Councilmember**

Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, swore in Melissa Maxwell as a Councilmember for the City of Selah.

### **Resolutions**

- A. Mick Gause Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Fifteen-Page Professional Services Agreement with Secure Court Solutions, L.L.C., for Electronic Home Monitoring and Remote Alcohol Breath Monitoring

Councilmember Iverson moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Maxwell seconded. Following a roll call vote by Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

### **Ordinances**

A. Rob Case Ordinance Amending Selah Municipal Code Chapter 1.22

Councilmember Peterson moved to approve the Ordinance. Councilmember Longmire seconded. Following a roll call vote by Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

### **Staff Reports/Announcements**

The following staff members provided a department report:

- Jim Lange, Fire Chief
- Mick Gause, Police Chief
- Ty Jones, Public Works Director
- Kimberly Grimm, Finance Director
- Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

### **City Attorney's Report**

No Report

### **City Administrator's Report**

It's been a great experience so far; very proud of all who attended and spoke at Council Workshop; City Hall is our "Hub" and where we are beginning most of our change management processes including documentation, working with payroll, streamlining for present and future; short term goals include working with payroll, reducing the number of late utility payments; public information meetings for City happenings and large-scale projects, cross training for City employees which has already begun at City Hall, meeting with every brick and mortar business owner in Selah, meeting with Chief Gause and Chief Lange to update information for after-hours emergencies; long-term goals include: succession plans for all of our positions like training, moving up into leadership positions, and letting the Mayor be the Mayor; Zack is out today; Congrats to Councilmember Maxwell; Happy Birthday to Councilmember Redtfeldt

### **Mayor's Report**

Congrats and welcome back Councilmember Maxwell; shoutout to Pattie Graffe for her encouragement to the community in the art contest participation; on March 26<sup>th</sup> City Hall will host a Business After Hours with Selah Chamber of Commerce at 4:30pm-6:00pm to reintroduce the community to Chief Gause, Mike Costello, Ty Jones and Matthew Taylor in their new positions; at the Council Workshop it was determined that a new priority moving forward would be the Fire Department and Mayor Bell has requested Council and Commissioners bring forth a proposed RFA for the City to review; Mike has done a fantastic job settling into his new role as City Administrator and as already actively working on change management processes.

### **Mayor Pro Tem**

Councilmember Monaghan made a motion to appoint Councilmember Iverson as Mayor Pro Tem for 2026; seconded by Councilmember Maxwell. Mayor Bell asked Council for discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Bell requested a voice vote to approve the motion. All are in favor. Motion carries by voice vote.

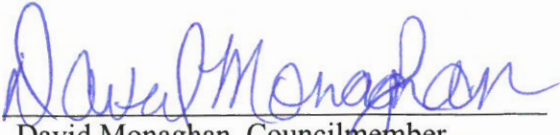
### **Councilmember Reports**

- Councilmember Maxwell – Thank you for the opportunity to return to Council and the vote of confidence
- Councilmember Marquis – Will be attending a Finance Committee meeting this week; will be attending Steering Committee on 3/11; attended the Selah School Board meeting on 2/26 revisiting Viking Promise Values, discussion on potential changes to grading standards and the cell phone policy; SDA updates included the purchase of a new building and board vacancies; provided feedback on the Council Workshop including more time in the future for discussion around priorities and goals
- Councilmember Redtfeldt – Thank you for putting on a great Council Workshop; currently awaiting new committee assignments to begin
- Councilmember Longmire – Will be attending Steering Committee on 3/11; will be attending SPRSA on 3/16; Council Workshop was a good experience and enjoyed having a guest speaker from Springbook; welcome back Councilmember Maxwell
- Councilmember Peterson – Will be attending Fire Commissioners tonight; will be attending SPRSA on 3/16 and the new aquatic center shades have been ordered
- Councilmember Iverson – Will be attending the Selah Chamber of Commerce Board meeting on 3/11; provided School District sports updates on girls and boys state basketball as well as state wrestling

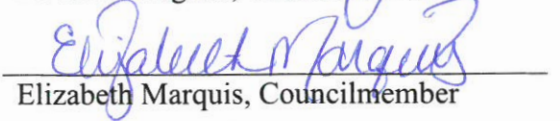
### **Adjournment**

Councilmember Iverson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Monaghan seconded. Mayor Bell adjourned.

Meeting ended at 6:58 p.m.

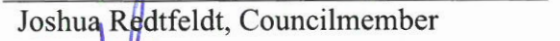


David Monaghan, Councilmember

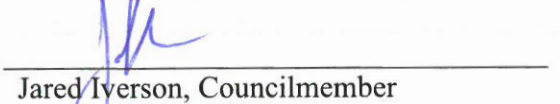


Elizabeth Marquis, Councilmember

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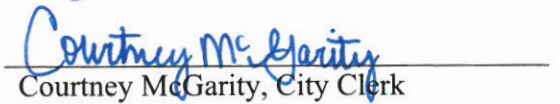


Joshua Redtfeldt, Councilmember

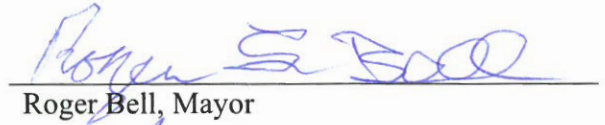


Jared Iverson, Councilmember

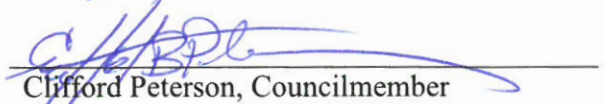
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Courtney McGarity, City Clerk



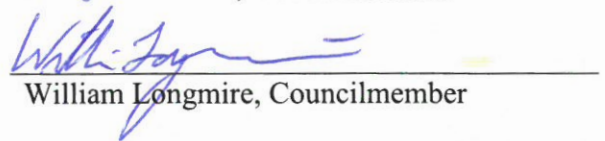
Roger Bell, Mayor



Clifford Peterson, Councilmember



Melissa Maxwell, Councilmember



William Longmire, Councilmember