



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

**April 17, 2024
7:00 PM
Civic Center**

City Council	Councilmember Hartman, Councilmember Glenn, Councilmember Griggs, Councilmember FitzGerald, Councilmember Straughn
City Staff	City Clerk Darla Reese, City Manager Brent Kirk, Deputy City Manager Jeff Balentine, Community Development Director Eric Jensen
Consultants	Consultant City Attorney Emily Guildner Consultant Police Chief Tom Dalton (S.C.S.O.)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hartman called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Hartman led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL

See Above.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The original EFT of \$1,863,604.09 was made to Harbor Pacific Contractors, Inc. for Pay Estimate #4 of the WWTP Upgrade Project. The payment was coded as \$497,600.00 from the General Fund and \$1,366,004.09 from the Sewer CIF. However, the claim has been modified to \$0.00 from the General Fund and \$1,863,604.09 from the Sewer CIF. The City has decided to hold the \$497,600.00 of ARPA-related funds until the end of the year. This decision has been taken to determine if the City is eligible for federal grant assistance for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion to approve consent agenda with noted changes from Deputy City Manager Balentine.

Moved by: Councilmember Glenn
Seconded by: Councilmember Straughn

Carried

- 4.a AB 042-2024 Approval of April 3, 2024 Minutes**
- 4.b AB 043-2024 Approval of April 17, 2024 claims checks #414213 through #414252 and Two EFT's totaling \$2,099,736.58**
- 4.c AB 044-2024 Approval of March 16, 2024 through March 31, 2024 payroll claims checks #27559 through 27562 and Twenty-Five EFT's totaling \$134,793.80**

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.a 04/17/2024 City Clerk Report

City Clerk Reese had nothing further to add.

5.b 04/17/2024 Community Development Director Report

Community Development Director Jensen had nothing further to add.

5.c 04/17/2024 Deputy City Manager/Passport Office Report

Deputy City Manager Balentine gave a passport department update including application numbers to date, revenue, gross margin and tracking against the 2024 budget.

He also gave an update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant project including a change order that will be presented to council later in today's meeting.

5.d 04/17/2024 Public Works Department Report

City Manager Kirk discussed the following public works items:

- Water trailer used by cemetery for cleaning up headstones
- Raz pump issues
- McDaniel's project update
- TIB grant - Alpine paving (ready to go out to bid)
- Complete Streets Grant - TIB grant
- 805 Stanley St. project update

5.e 04/17/2024 Consultant Police Chief Report

Consultant Police Chief Dalton discussed the following police department items:

- Recent incident of a threat over social media that resulted in a lockdown of the Crossroads High School.
- Jordan Rd. homicide case from last year has migrated to 119th Street/Mt. Loop Highway (couple stolen trailers recovered)
- Has been released back to work starting next Monday

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-NON-ACTION ITEMS

Fred Cruger 7020-230th Ave. NE, Granite Falls

Mr. Cruger thanked the City for allowing him to use the water trailer to clean headstones in the cemetery. Post #125 is working hard to get the cemetery ready for Memorial Day.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.a AB 045-2024 Consideration of Approval of Resolution 2024-03, a Resolution of the City of Granite Falls, Washington, relating to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-03 and authorize the Mayor to sign.

Moved by: Councilmember Griggs

Seconded by: Councilmember Glenn

Carried

7.b AB 046-2024 Discussion of Setting Future General Facility Charge Rates for Water and Sewer

Council and Staff discussed General Facility Charge Rates for Water and Sewer.

This item to be brought back to Council in one month with additional information as requested by the Council including:

- What nearby cities charge for their GFC rates
- Target rate in C.I.F. Fund
- Risks Analysis from our legal council
- Within next six months have council adopt a rate with implementation in 2025

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

8.a AB 040-2024 Consideration of Approval of Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Affordable Housing and Behavioral Health Fund

Motion to approve revised Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Affordable Housing and Behavioral Health Fund.

Moved by: Councilmember Griggs

Seconded by: Councilmember Glenn

Carried

9. MAYOR'S COMMENTS (5 minutes)

Mayor Hartman discussed the following items:

- Snohomish County Cities dinner is tomorrow night
- Snohomish County Tomorrow - changing meeting time to 4pm
- Friday & Saturday night - high school play
- Nate Nehring's Regional Apprenticeship Pathways Program (RAP) - Open house

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS (15 minutes)

Councilmember FitzGerald discussed the following items:

- Has an extra ticket to the Snohomish County Cities (SCC) dinner
- Spring baseball - traffic calming/slowing signs on Jordan Rd for baseball games

Councilmember Glenn had no comments.

Councilmember Griggs asked about street striping in front of the Suncrest Farms plat. Look at the possibility of adding a turn lane?

Councilmember Straughn had no comments.

11. CITY MANAGER (5 minutes)

City Manager Kirk had no comments.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION (2) Items - (20 Minutes)

8:33 PM –

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and purchase of real estate not to exceed 20 minutes.

Moved: Councilmember FitzGerald

Seconded: Councilmember Glenn

Result: Carried

8:53 PM –

Executive Session had ended. All those waiting in the lobby were welcome to rejoin the meeting at this time.

The meeting returned to regular session.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hartman adjourned the meeting.



City Clerk Darla Reese, MMC



Mayor Matthew Hartman