

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
MEETING**

**March 19, 2024
6:00 P.M.**



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DRAFT MINUTES

Location: Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington.

Audio starts at: 06:00 **I. CALL TO ORDER:** Deputy Mayor Terry Carter

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Audio starts at: 6:01 **II. Roll Call:** Administrative Specialist II Debbie McDonald called the roll. In addition to Deputy Mayor Carter, other elected officials attending were Councilmember Angela Baldwin, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler, Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans, Councilmember Dan Roach, and Councilmember Dan Swatman.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John Vodopich, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Deputy City Attorney-Prosecutor Dena Burke, Interim Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, Assistant Police Chief Ryan Boyle, Human Resource Manager Bryan Sandler, Legal Specialist II Carol Paul, Administrative Specialist II Debbie McDonald, and City Attorney Jennifer Robertson.

Staff members in virtual attendance: Chief Finance Officer Cherie Reiersen, Assistant Police Chief James Keller, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, Assistant to the City Administrator Leslie Harris, Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, Finance & Payroll Accountant Patti McCann, Records & Disclosure Coordinator Kandice Besaw, and Legal Specialist I Kristin Visnaw.

Audio starts at: 6:02 **III. AGENDA ITEMS:**

A. **Preview of Council Minutes:** March 5, 2024, City Council Workshop, March 12, 2024, City Council Meeting.

The draft minutes were forwarded with no corrections to the March 26, 2024, meeting for approval.

Audio starts at: 6:03 **IV. MAYOR CANDIDATE SPEECHES/INTERVIEWS:**

A. No Advance Materials (15 minutes per candidate.)

Deputy Mayor Carter went over the interview process. He explained that at the conclusion of the interviews the Council will go into an executive session and return to the meeting to open the floor for nominations and voting.

Councilmember McClimans moved to allow all candidates to stay in Chambers during the interview process. Councilmember Roach seconded the motion.

Motion approved 7 – 0.

The applicants were interviewed in the following order:

Terry Carter
Kerri Hubler
Justin Evans
Broderick Ford
Chris Blanco
Esteban Carbajal

Candidate Broderick Ford was absent when called to approach the Council for interviewing.

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V. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION:

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(h). Deputy Mayor Carter announced an executive session, with action to follow, to evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office. Deputy Mayor Carter announced the meeting would last 10 minutes. The meeting began at 7:08 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Carter requested a 15-minute continuation at 7:18 p.m., a 5-minute continuation at 7:33 p.m. and the session concluded at 7:38 p.m.

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VI. SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT FOR CANDIDATE TO MAYOR VACANCY:

City Attorney Robertson walked through the nomination and voting process.

Deputy Mayor Carter opened the floor for nominations. Councilmember McClimans nominated Deputy Mayor Terry Carter. Councilmember Fullerton also nominated Deputy Mayor Terry Carter. Deputy Mayor Carter closed the nominations and Councilmembers Baldwin, Fullerton and McClimans expressed that all candidates had strong skills that would benefit the city but felt that Deputy Mayor Carter would be the best choice. He has been taking training classes, had staff support, has acted professionally with all of the Council, and they would be voting based on what interactions and actions they have seen and had with Deputy Mayor Carter and not base things off of any past actions that were not current.

Councilmembers voted on the nomination of Deputy Mayor Terry Carter as the new Mayor for the City of Bonney Lake.

**Appointing Deputy Mayor Carter as Mayor approved 4-3.
Councilmember Hubler, Roach and Swatman voted no.**

Mayor Elect Carter thanked all who participated in the process and praised the candidates for their effort and qualifications.

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VII. ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE TO APPOINTED MAYOR:

Deputized Deputy City Clerk Chuck McEwen invited Mayor Elect Carter to come forward and receive the Oath of Office. Deputy City Clerk McEwen administered the oath of Office to Terry Carter in his newly elected capacity of Mayor. Mayor Carter took his seat on the Council table.

Mayor Carter called for nominations from the Council for the position of Deputy Mayor nominations.

Councilmember Baldwin nominated Councilmember Swatman for Deputy Mayor. Councilmember McClimans nominated Councilmember Fullerton for Deputy Mayor.

Hearing no further nominations, Mayor Carter called for a vote of the Council for the first nomination of Councilmember Swatman as Deputy Mayor.

Councilmembers unanimously voted 6-0 for Councilmember Swatman to be the new Deputy Mayor.

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VIII. CITIZEN COMMENTS: Comments For Items On The Agenda Only.

For efficient use of city resources, comments will be a short summary and not verbatim. Video recordings will be uploaded to the city's YouTube channel and an audio recording to the state digital archives for review of all the comments.

Justin Evans, 17806 111th St Ct E: Congratulated Mayor Carter and wished him luck.

Dan Decker, 20401 70th St E, Bonney Lake: Congratulated Mayor Carter and thanked the Council for electing him. Asked Council to be careful of what they are saying during meetings and to use decorum.

Pacific Police Chief Hendrickson, 133 3rd Ave SE, Pacific: Congratulated Mayor Carter on his new position.

Pierce County Councilmember Dave Morell, 930 Tacoma Ave S. RM 1046, Tacoma: Congratulated Mayor Carter and stated the City will now have an open Council seat.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:00 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Carter with the common consent of the City Council.

Sadie A. Schaneman, City Clerk

Terry Carter, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the March 19, 2024, Workshop:

- (1) *Training Certificates* – Terry Carter.

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