

City of Forks  
Council Meeting Minutes Regular Session  
City Council Chambers  
February 27, 2023 7:30 p.m.

0:15 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Fletcher led the Pledge of Allegiance and then called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

0:32 **ROLL CALL**

Council members present: Weissenfels, Soha (arrived 7:34 p.m.), Gingell, Echeita, and Mayor Fletcher. Absent: Wood. Staff present: Simons, Deputy Clerk, Fleck, Attorney/Planner, Rowley, Police Chief, and Hampton, Public Works Director.

1:20 **MODIFICATIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion** to approve the agenda as presented by Weissenfels, second Echeita, motion carried.

1:38 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Lissy Andros, Director, Forks Chamber of Commerce informed Council that the Chamber would present its State of the Chamber address at its March 1 meeting.

**ACTION ITEMS**

2:12 **1. Motion** to approve minutes of the Special Meeting held November 28, 2022 by Gingell, second Weissenfels, motion carried.

2:40 **2. Motion** to approve payroll checks 41536 through 41549 in the amount of \$84,917.69, and claim checks numbered 41550 through 41578 and EFTs as included in the total amount of \$60,137.81 by Weissenfels, second Echeita, motion carried.

**3. Set Public Hearing for Zoning Code Amendments**

3:15 **Motion** to set the public hearing on Zoning Code and Comprehensive Plan amendments for March 23, 2023 by Weissenfels, second Echeita, motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**1. Council Member Reports**

4:45 **Council Member Weissenfels** reported having attended a Clallam Transit Board meeting, and then raised the issue regarding the Twilight traffic situation on the 700 block of K Street and the issue with certain dogs known to the City Attorney and police department. Mayor Fletcher and Attorney/Planner Fleck addressed both matters.

13:55 **Council Member Gingell** reported having attended his first Clallam County Board of Health meeting.

14:10 **Council Member Echeita** reported that FHS wrestlers took second in State and the FHS girls basketball team went to State. He then reported having been approached by several members of the community regarding rumors of a homeless shelter being established in Forks.

**3. Staff Reports**

15:17 **Public Works Director Hampton** reported having attended the recent Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization (PRTPO) meeting. He also reported on the status of the restrooms renovation project, the wastewater plant improvement project, and other things the Public Works crew has been working on.

17:36 **Police Chief Rowley** commended the Public Works crew for their efforts to keep City streets and intersections clear of snow.

18:23 **Attorney/Planner Fleck** reported having spent a large amount of time on upcoming State legislation that is important to our community, which he explained. He then directed Council to a letter of support for the Great American Rail-Trail that was sent to Department of Transportation Secretary Buttigieg and a memo of funding available for Quillayute Airport repairs, both included in their notebooks.

24:27 **4. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Fletcher reported having attended the recent West End Business meeting and said the rumors of a potential homeless shelter were a topic of conversation there as well.

25:20 **5. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** to adjourn by Gingell, second Soha, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

  
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Caryn DePew, Clerk/Treasurer

  
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Tim Fletcher, Mayor