APPROVED: FEBRUARY 23, 2026

Town of Eatonville

EATONVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING

TIME: 7:00 PM **DATE:** February 9, 2026

PLACE: Eatonville Community Center/Virtual Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McFadden called the meeting of the Eatonville Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Town Clerk Miranda Doll called the roll. The following were:

Present: Councilmembers Kyle Litzenberger, Peter Paul, Mike Schaub, Bill Dunn and Colin Stephens.

Also Present: Mayor Emily McFadden, Town Clerk Miranda Doll, Town Administrator Eric Phillips and Police Chief Jason LaLiberte.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor McFadden led the assembly in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/SET TIME RESTRICTIONS

Councilmember Dunn moved approval of agenda with a three-minute time limit and was seconded by Councilmember Stephens. All were in favor.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Dan Phillips – Trinity Aviation, brought some concerns regarding safety at the airport and restrictions per the EMC that have no penalties outlined. This was brought before the Airport Committee in 2025 and he would like to know when it will be brought before the Town Council.

Bob Thomas – 234 Allison Ave W, brought forward some issues from the Airport Committee meeting. He feels we need to do something to prevent public access and the gates don't create a gated community.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes from the January 26, 2026 Council Meeting

B. Payroll	27116 to 27118	$131,369.51
C. Claims	44412 to 44443	$ 54,634.01

Councilmember Schaub made a motion to approve the consent agenda and was seconded by Councilmember Paul. All were in favor.

DEPARTMENT HEAD/COUNCIL COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORT

A. **Public Works Report** – Town Administrator Eric Phillips let Council know that Mill Pond Park is at 90% design and the cost estimates are coming in about $23,000 over budget, there are a few options to reduce the costs. The Town's engineer reviewed and found that they did not do test pits, so the Town will be doing those with Town staff and equipment. The project will still be done this year.

B. **Finance Legislative Committee Report** – Councilmember Dunn stated that the Committee met on the 28th and discussed the old fire truck and the possibility of an agreement with the Historical Society. The Committee also discussed the grant match for the 2nd power source project.

C. **Airport Committee Report** – Councilmember Stephens reported that the Committee met on the 29th and discussed the grant for the installation of the gates. A requirement of accepting the grant is that the airport remain in its current use and remain open to the public for the life of the improvement. The Committee also discussed the penalties being proposed.

D. **Mayor's Report** – Mayor McFadden discussed the antique fire truck and the citizen who wants to restore it so it can be used in parades and on display. The Town could surplus to the Historical Society or enter into an extended lease agreement.

PIERCE COUNTY – OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN PRESENTATION/Q&A

Joshua Atkins with Pierce County Emergency Management gave a presentation about the new Outdoor Warning System that was installed behind the Town Hall.

RESOLUTION 2026-H

A Resolution of the Town of Eatonville, Washington, authorizing the execution of an agreement for pre-employment background investigation services with Public Safety Testing, inc.

Town Clerk Miranda Doll read the Resolution by title into the record.

Councilmember Dunn made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-H and was seconded by Councilmember Stephens. All were in favor.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Litzenberger thanked Pierce County Emergency Management for coming out and presenting. He also stated that he felt we could enforce the nuisance portion of the code to the violations at the Airport. He voiced the same concerns that Councilmember Paul had regarding the Flock Camera contract.

Councilmember Paul thanked Pierce County Emergency Management for coming out and giving the presentation as well as those in the audience.

Councilmember Schaub thanked everyone for coming out and stated that the outdoor warning siren is quite the system.

Councilmember Stephens thanked Pierce County as well as the Airport Community for coming.

ADJOURNMENT

With all business completed, Mayor McFadden adjourned the meeting at 8:09 PM.

Emily McFadden, Mayor

ATTEST:

Miranda Doll, Town Clerk