

**City Council Meeting**

**July 7, 2026**

**6:00 PM**

**Minutes**



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**Location:** The physical location of the Council Meeting was at the Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington. The public was also given the option to call in or attend virtually the Council Meeting.

**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Carter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Carter led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Roll Call**

City Clerk Sadie Schaneman called the roll. In addition to Mayor Carter, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Aaron Davis, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler, Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans and Councilmember Brittany Rock. Councilmember Angela Baldwin was not in attendance.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John P. Vodopich, Acting Assistant Chief of Police Ryan Harberts, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, and Records & Disclosure Coordinator Kandice Besaw.

**Councilmember Fullerton moved to Excuse Councilmember Baldwin.  
Councilmember McClimans seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 6 – 0.**

**C. Agenda Modifications**

None.

**D. Announcements**

**1. Proclamation Celebrating America 250**

Mayor Carter read the proclamation marking the year of 2026 as the "America 250 Celebration."

## II. Council Committee Reports

**Community Development Committee:** Councilmember Fullerton reported the Committee met in person and virtually. The Committee discussed an ordinance regarding local amendments, adopting the six-year transportation improvement program, the battery energy storage systems (BESS) and approved their minutes.

Other Reports:

Councilmember Fullerton reported that she attended the Puget Sound Regional Council (PCRC) meeting where they discussed regional center framework scoping and sales and use taxes for affordable housing.

Mayor Cater gave a friendly reminder to everyone that the summer concert series, Tunes at Tapps, is back and to please come and enjoy the bands every Wednesday evening at Allan York Park now through August 19th.

## III. Consent Agenda

**Councilmember Fullerton moved to approve. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 6 – 0.**

- A. **Approval of Minutes:** June 02, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. **Approval of Payroll:** June 1-15, 2026 For Checks #35485-35487 Including Direct Deposits and Electronic Transfers Totaling \$925,941.65. **Voids:** Checks #35485-35487.
- C. **AB26-49** - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Designation Letter Identifying the Emergency Manager as Applicant Agent and Administrative Services Director as Alternate Agent for 4906-DR-WA (2025 December Storms) Recovery Disaster Assistance.
- D. **AB26-51** - A Motion Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Canceling The Council Meeting on August 4, 2026.

## IV. Full Council Issues

None.

## V. Audience Comments

For efficient use of city resources, comments will be a short summary and not verbatim. An audio recording is available on the [state digital archives](#) and [public portal website](#), if you need a complete review of comments.

Tracey McCoy, shared her appreciation to the mayor, council, and police chief for keeping the community safe, giving a special shout-out to the security efforts at Allen Yorke Park.

Steve McCoy, spoke about the importance of protecting local freedoms and liberties within the community.

Dan Decker, read aloud a personal view point sharing his perspective on recent court proceedings.

Ernie Gilmer, mentioned the upcoming groundbreaking at the Senior Center, thanking everyone who worked hard to make the remodel a reality.

## VI. Council Open Discussion

**AWC Conference Report:** Councilmember McClimans gave a quick summary of the AWC conference he attended and walked everyone through his rating scale. The Deputy Mayor thanked him for going and said that McClimans did a great job representing the Bonney Lake council, a sentiment that Councilmember Fullerton warmly agreed with.

**Consulting for Upcoming Retirements:** Councilmember Fullerton brought up the idea of hiring a consulting firm to help manage upcoming retirements, specifically for big roles like the City Administrator and Chief Finance Officer. The Mayor noted that this is already top of the list and conversations are currently underway.

**Patriotic Recognition:** Councilmember McClimans shared some thoughts on the 4th of July and the signing of the Declaration of Independence, mentioning that he wants to focus on recognizing and celebrating America for the rest of the year.

## VII. Workshop Discussion Items

### A. Review of Minutes: June 16, 2026, City Council Minutes

The draft minutes were forwarded with corrections to the July 14, 2026 meeting for approval.

## VIII. Executive/Closed Session

None.

## IX. Adjournment

**At 6.35 p.m. the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Carter with the common consent of the City Council.**

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Sadie A. Schaneman, MMC, City Clerk

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Terry Carter, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the July 7, 2026, Meeting for the record:

1. Resolution AB26-49, due to missing from packet.
2. Personal view point, Dan Decker.

**Note: Unless otherwise indicated, all documents submitted at City Council meetings and workshops are added to the back of the packet the next day. For detailed information on agenda items, please view the corresponding Agenda Packets, which are posted on the city website and on file with the City Clerk.**