

# **Whatcom County Council**

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## **Minutes - Draft Minutes**

**Tuesday, April 15, 2025  
6 PM**

**Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers**

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### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Kaylee Galloway  
Jon Scanlon  
Mark Stremmer

### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

## COUNTY COUNCIL

### CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Kaylee Galloway called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in a hybrid meeting.

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremmer

### FLAG SALUTE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive, reported on the following:

- He had meetings in Olympia yesterday and discussed Point Roberts
- The progressive design service request for qualifications (RFQ) will be published tomorrow for the Whatcom County justice facility and behavioral health center
- Efforts to get more clarity on Lummi Island ferry funding
- The change of leadership in the Health Department and temporary staffing resources from the Executive's Office to augment staffing for the Healthy Children's Fund implementation plan
- They will be sending mid-biennium budget instructions to the departments this week and asking them to do an exercise to absorb all the payroll increases in 2026
- The continuation of budget prioritization work
- They are working on the capital projects priorities and will bring options to the Council soon.

Scanlon asked about the Administration being out of compliance with the Charter regarding reporting on the prior quarter budgets. He asked if, after they get the 2024 quarter four report at the next meeting, they will get a 2025 quarter one report in four weeks' time.

Sidhu stated he cannot promise that, but they are working hard to bring that into compliance. He spoke about the finance system upgrade transition in the last quarter of 2024 and difficulties with that.

### MINUTES CONSENT

***Buchanan moved*** to accept the minutes consent items. The motion was seconded by Donovan (see votes on individual items below).

1. [MIN2025-018](#) Special Council for March 18, 2025

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Minutes Consent be APPROVED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

2. [MIN2025-019](#) Committee of the Whole Executive Session for March 25, 2025

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Minutes Consent be APPROVED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

3. [MIN2025-020](#) Committee of the Whole for March 25, 2025

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Minutes Consent be APPROVED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

4. [MIN2025-021](#) Regular County Council for March 25, 2025

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Minutes Consent be APPROVED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. [AB2025-231](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code Section 1.14, Electoral Precincts, with newly established voting precinct boundaries for Whatcom County

Galloway opened the Public Hearing and hearing no one, closed the Public Hearing.

***Byrd moved*** and Donovan seconded that the Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing be ADOPTED.

Stacy Henthorn, County Auditor, answered whether it is the districting committee or the Auditor that does this, and stated this is done yearly and is

based on annexations.

**Byrd's motion that the Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing be ADOPTED carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmler

**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: ORD 2025-019

2. [AB2025-234](#) Resolution to declare Whatcom County real property as surplus and approve transfer  
Galloway opened the Public Hearing and hearing no one, closed the Public Hearing.

**Donovan moved and Scanlon seconded that the Resolution Requiring a Public Hearing be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmler

**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: RES 2025-014

3. [AB2025-246](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Title 20 (Zoning) regarding home-based businesses  
Galloway opened the Public Hearing and hearing no one, closed the Public Hearing.

***Buchanan moved*** and Elenbaas seconded that the Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing be ADOPTED.

Elenbaas stated the intent of this language is not to inhibit or shut down any existing businesses. They looked at it as enabling language. He stated if someone finds something that is hindering their ability to run their farm festival which they have run for years, they should get a hold of him so he can help to get it fixed.

**Buchanan's motion that the Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing be ADOPTED carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmler

**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: ORD 2025-020

4. [AB2025-255](#) Resolution to sell county tax title property by negotiation  
Galloway opened the Public Hearing and hearing no one, closed the Public Hearing.

***Buchanan moved*** and Stremmler seconded that the Resolution Requiring a Public Hearing be APPROVED.

Steve Oliver, County Treasurer, answered whether this was the same parcel as on agenda item two (**AB2025-234**), and stated this is a second property in proximity to the first one. He answered a question about how it is being sold and stated they received a letter of interest from the City of Bellingham to acquire this piece of property. He answered how long it took for them to foreclose on the property, and stated they foreclosed on it in the late 1980s or early 1990s.

**Buchanan's motion that the Resolution Requiring a Public Hearing be APPROVED carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmler

**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: RES 2025-015

## **OPEN SESSION**

The following people spoke:

- Donnell Tanksley, Sheriff
- David Jacobson
- Robin Cully
- Caleb Erickson
- Wendy Jones
- John Westerfield
- Daniel Harm
- Britt Hanowell
- Bill Elfo
- Doug Chadwick
- JeriLyn Klix
- Samuel Madrid
- Erik Francis
- Shauna Baldetta
- Derek Jones
- Anthony Paz
- Magnus Gervol
- Ryan Whaley
- Parneet Kaur

- Steve Harris
- Tina Gill
- Natalie Chavez
- Misty Flowers

Hearing no one else, Galloway closed the Open Session.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)**

**Donovan** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and **moved** to approve Consent Agenda items one through 14.

Stremmler stated he would like to consider Consent Agenda item number 1 (**AB2025-283**) separately.

**Donovan amended** his motion **and moved** to approve Consent Agenda items two through 14.

Councilmembers voted on those items (see motions and votes below).

**CLERK'S NOTE for AB2025-288:** The dollar amount (\$190,000) noted in the agenda item title was entered incorrectly. The contract clearly indicates \$180,000 which is consistent with the amount budgeted for that agreement, so the amount in the title should be \$180,000.

1. [AB2025-283](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Health to provide funding for various public health services in the amount of \$298,592, for a total amended agreement amount of \$5,617,278

THIS ITEM WAS CONSIDERED SEPARATELY BELOW.

2. [AB2025-284](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Bennett Engineering to monitor closed landfills in the amount of \$10,629, for a total amended contract amount of \$157,265

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Contract be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmler

**Nay:** 0

3. [AB2025-287](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a lease agreement

between Whatcom County and Sun Community Services to lease the property located at 515 E Chestnut Street in Bellingham

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Contract be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

4. [AB2025-288](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (DVSAS) in support of the Domestic Violence Commission in the amount of \$190,000

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Contract be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

CLERK'S NOTE: THE DOLLAR AMOUNT (\$190,000) NOTED IN THE AGENDA ITEM TITLE WAS ENTERED INCORRECTLY. THE CONTRACT CLEARLY INDICATES \$180,000 WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE AMOUNT BUDGETED FOR THAT AGREEMENT, SO THE AMOUNT IN THE TITLE SHOULD BE \$180,000.

5. [AB2025-295](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to grant a perpetual easement to Patrick and Peggy Rauso across park property for ingress/egress purposes to a private residence adjacent to Lake Whatcom Park

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Agreement be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

6. [AB2025-296](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into Amendment 3 to the agreement between Whatcom County and Astound Business Solutions, LLC (formerly Wave) for additional leased fiber optic connectivity from the Courthouse to the 400 N. Commercial Street building and to the 104/110 Unity Street building in the amount of \$75,079.49

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Contract be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

7. [AB2025-297](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife for Operation Stonegarden FY23, in the amount of \$10,000

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

8. [AB2025-298](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Sumas for Operation Stonegarden FY23, in the amount of \$25,000

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

9. [AB2025-299](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Lynden for Operation Stonegarden FY23, in the amount of \$25,000

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

10. [AB2025-300](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Everson for Operation Stonegarden FY23, in the amount of \$25,000

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0



11. [AB2025-301](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Blaine for Operation Stonegarden FY23, in the amount of \$25,000

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

12. [AB2025-307](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a lease agreement between Whatcom County and the Back Country Horsemen of Washington for use of a portion of the Y- Road Landfill property to be used as a trailhead and off-road parking for horse related recreational activities

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Agreement be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

13. [AB2025-308](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Sendan Center to increase kindergarten readiness, in the amount of \$244,597

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Contract be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

14. [AB2025-309](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Whatcom Family YMCA to increase kindertgarten readiness, in the amount of \$506,253

**Donovan reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and moved that the Contract be AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

**CONSENT AGENDA CONSIDERED SEPARATELY**

1. [AB2025-283](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Health to provide funding for various public health services in the amount of \$298,592, for a total amended agreement amount of \$5,617,278

**Donovan** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and ***moved*** that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED.

Stremmler stated a member of the public asked that this item be considered separately and asked why a five percent increase is needed four months into the year.

The following people spoke:

- Kayla Schott-Bresler, Executive's Office
- Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
- Randy Rydel, Administrative Services Department Finance Director

They discussed with councilmembers that this is revenue increase from the State, that \$88,000 is from the State and the rest is Federal funding, how the funding works when it is granted to the County, and concerns about the Federal Government pulling back funds that have already been sent.

**Donovan's motion that the Interlocal be AUTHORIZED carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmler

**Nay:** 0

## **OTHER ITEMS**

### **(From Council Committee of the Whole)**

1. [AB2025-221](#) Discussion and motion relating to draft Countywide Planning Policy amendments
- Galloway** reported for Committee of the Whole and ***moved*** that Donovan's proposed changes (in the "Substitute Countywide Planning Policies - Galloway & Donovan" version) and Nooksack Tribe's letter regarding potential changes go to the relevant stakeholders (City/County Planner Group) for feedback, and that Galloway's proposed change to Section I (9) (in blue in the substitute) be sent to the Surface Mining Advisory Committee for their feedback.

Councilmembers discussed the motion.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer  
**Nay:** 0

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED.**

Motion approved 7-0 that Donovan's proposed changes (in the "Substitute Countywide Planning Policies - Galloway & Donovan" version) and Nooksack Tribe's letter regarding potential changes go to the relevant stakeholders (City/County Planner Group) for feedback, and that Galloway's proposed change to Section I (9) (in blue in the substitute) be sent to the Surface Mining Advisory Committee for their feedback.

2. [AB2025-239](#) Resolution regarding additional guidance from the County Council to the Executive and Planning and Development Services Department on the population, housing, and employment allocations

**Galloway** reported for the Committee of the Whole and ***moved*** that the Resolution be HELD IN COMMITTEE.

Councilmembers discussed after motion.

**Galloway's motion that the Resolution be HELD IN COMMITTEE carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer  
**Nay:** 0

3. [AB2025-280](#) Resolution approving a conditional use permit and development agreement for Ponderosa Estates Mobile Home Park

**Galloway** reported for the Committee of the Whole and ***moved*** that the SUBSTITUTE Resolution be APPROVED.

Byrd stated it would be nice if they could get a presentation in the future to go over the facts and include the resources.

Kim Thulin, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, stated she has advised the Planning Department's counsel, on the Council's behalf, that the Council would like to be able to review the documents and hearing for similar items in the future before making a decision.

Galloway stated they are acting in a quasi-judicial manner.

**Galloway's motion that the SUBSTITUTE Resolution be APPROVED carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer  
**Nay:** 0

Enactment No: RES 2025-016

### **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

1. [AB2025-185](#) Appointment to a vacancy on the Forest Advisory Committee, commercial forest landowner position, Applicant(s): Robert Janicki

***Elenbaas moved*** and ***Buchanan*** seconded that the Council Appointment Requiring Introduction be APPOINTED.

Councilmembers discussed the motion and that they can consider somebody for the commercial forestry position who resides outside of Whatcom County so long as their land is within Whatcom County.

***Byrd moved*** that they waive any requirements, in this case, that a member of the committee live in Whatcom County.

The motion was seconded by Buchanan.

***Elenbaas withdrew*** his motion to appoint.

Kim Thulin, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, stated they may waive the requirement under the updated code provision.

Councilmembers discussed that they would be waiving the residency requirement for this particular applicant for this particular position.

The motion to waive carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, Stremmer, Buchanan, Byrd, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

**Buchanan moved and Elenbaas seconded that the Council Appointment Requiring Introduction be APPOINTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremmer

**Nay:** 0

Motion approved 7-0 that they waive any requirements, in this case, that any member of the committee live in Whatcom County

2. [AB2025-250](#) Appointment to a vacancy on the Surface Mining Advisory Committee, Geologist position, Applicant(s): John Byers

**Scanlon moved and Byrd seconded that the Council Appointment Requiring**

**Introduction be APPOINTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

3. [AB2025-294](#) Reconsideration of appointment to a position on the Whatcom County Forest Advisory Committee, Harvester position, Member: Quentin Dills

*Elenbaas moved* to un-appoint.

The motion was seconded by Stremler.

*Elenbaas amended* his motion *and moved* to revoke Mr. Dill's membership on the Whatcom County Forest Advisory Committee.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Stremler, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, and Scanlon

**Nay:** 0

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED.**

Motion Approved 7-0 to revoke Mr. Dill's membership on the Whatcom County Forest Advisory Committee

4. [AB2025-317](#) Appointment to a vacancy on the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District Advisory Committee, Applicant: Kyle Burton

**Byrd moved and Scanlon seconded that the Council Appointment be APPOINTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

**CONFIRMATION OF EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

1. [AB2025-286](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's reappointment of Alana Pattersmann to the Whatcom County Housing Authority Board

**Scanlon moved and Buchanan seconded that the Executive Appointment be CONFIRMED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Buchanan, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 1 - Byrd

**ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION**

There were no agenda items added by revision.

**INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

*Buchanan moved* to introduce items one through seven. The motion was seconded by Donovan.

Councilmembers discussed whether there were any items they felt needed to go back to committee a second time, getting a budget report from Finance at the next meeting, a scrivener's error in AB2025-282, and the new process for considering and scheduling introduction items.

Councilmembers voted on the introduction items (see votes on individual items below).

1. [AB2025-242](#) Receipt of the 2024 Public Works Contractor Apprenticeship Program (CAP) Annual Report

**This agenda item was RECEIVED.**

2. [AB2025-282](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code Chapter 16.24 (Commute Trip Reduction) and adopting the 2025-2029 Commute Trip Reduction Plan for Whatcom County

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing be INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

3. [AB2025-290](#) Ordinance amending the project based budget for the N. Fork Road/Kenney Creek Fish Passage fund, Request No. 2

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Ordinance be INTRODUCED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

4. [AB2025-293](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Courtroom Audio Visual Systems Upgrade, request no. 1

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Ordinance be INTRODUCED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

5. [AB2025-302](#) Resolution amending the 2025 Flood Control Zone District and Subzones Budget, request no. 1, in the amount of \$14,400 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Resolution (FCZDBS) be INTRODUCED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

6. [AB2025-310](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Lookout Mountain Road Repairs Project Fund, request no. 1

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Ordinance be INTRODUCED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

7. [AB2025-314](#) Ordinance amending the 2025 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 4, in the amount of \$6,227,211

**Buchanan moved and Donovan seconded that the Ordinance be INTRODUCED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

Councilmembers gave committee reports and updates on recent activities and upcoming events.

Aly Pennucci, Executive's Office, spoke about the Administration planning to come back to discuss capital projects. They are not looking for a decision on one project or not, they are prioritizing which project to use REET for.

### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WA

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Cathy Halka, Council Clerk

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Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

Meeting Minutes prepared by Kristi Felbinger