

**Whatcom County  
Council Committee of the Whole-Executive Session**

COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Committee Minutes - Draft Minutes**

VIRTUAL MEETING - ENDS NO LATER THAN 2:30 P.M.

**Tuesday, January 26, 2021**

**1:30 PM**

**Virtual Meeting**

**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Rud Browne  
Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Carol Frazey  
Kathy Kershner

**CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## **Call To Order**

Council Chair Barry Buchanan called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in a virtual meeting.

## **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Carol Frazey, Ben Elenbaas and Kathy Kershner

**Absent:** None

## **Committee Discussion**

**Attorney Present: George Roche and Karen Frakes.**

Buchanan stated that discussion of agenda item one may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i). Executive session will conclude no later than 2:35 p.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, Council staff will make a public announcement.

***Donovan moved*** to go into executive session until no later than 2:35 p.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to the RCW citations as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded by Browne.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Frazey, Kershner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Elenbaas

**Nay:** 0

1. [AB2021-057](#) Discussion of pending litigation with Civil Deputy Prosecutors George Roche and Brandon Waldron: Petrogas v. Whatcom County Assessor, Washington Board of Tax Appeals Docket Nos. 17-002, 18-003, 18-004, 18 141, and 18-142.  
[Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)]

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED.**

## **Items Added by Revision**

There were no agenda items added by revision.

## **Other Business**

There was no other business.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WA

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Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

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Kristi Felbinger, Minutes Transcription