

Whatcom County Council Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Draft Minutes

**Tuesday, March 5, 2024
1:15 PM
Hybrid Meeting**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 1:40 P.M., MAY BEGIN EARLY
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Jon Scanlon

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Committee Chair Barry Buchanan called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. in a hybrid meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, and Jon Scanlon

Also Present: Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, and Mark Stremmler

Announcements

Special Presentation

1. [AB2024-183](#) Report from District Court Probation

Bruce Van Glubt, District Court Administrator, stated he is retiring at the end of June so, after 33 years as a County employee, this will be his last Council presentation. He reflected on his time as a County employee. He spoke about milestone moments in his career, including one in which he realized he had become part of the institutional memory of the organization. He spoke about the court and probation departments and stated they are both thriving.

Councilmembers thanked him and spoke about the value of institutional memory. He answered whether he worked in District Court his entire career and described the various positions he held.

Donovan stated he would love a debriefing to hear his parting ideas on what Council can do to improve how District Court is working and to make it even better.

This agenda item was REPORTED.

Items Added by Revision

There were no agenda items added by revision.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WA

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Barry Buchanan, Committee Chair

Kristi Felbinger, Minutes Transcription