

Town of Yacolt
**Special Council Meeting/
Workshop re: Res. 607 Minutes**
Wednesday, Nov. 6th, 2024
6:00 PM
Town Hall

Call to Order

6:00 PM

Flag Salute

Roll Call


Council Members Present: Jeff Carothers, Kandi Peto, Craig Carroll, Marina Viray

Also present: Mayor Ian Shealy, Attorney David Ridenour, Public Works Director Terry Gardner, and Clerk Stephanie Fields

Discussion of Res. #607

Attorney Ridenour began by presenting goals set by Clerk and Admin Assistant at a recent meeting: Predictability, Consistency, Faster Processing, and Less Expensive. Council agreed that these goals were important. The Mayor and Council expressed frustrations they've experienced and heard from citizens (ie: no set permit costs and inconsistent time frames). Ridenour explained complications with applications/processing, and that staff is always working toward processing more thoroughly so that the consultants' jobs are quicker and therefore less costly. He also mentioned that new laws effective January 1, 2025 will require faster processing. Council members discussed the possibility of turning permitting back over to Clark County. Ridenour then read a report from the head of permitting in Lakewood, WA regarding their permit processing issues, which are in-line with our own and apparently many other cities'. Council suggested several more meetings like this to help work toward the above goals.

Adjourn: 7:54 pm



Mayor Ian Shealy



Clerk Stephanie Fields

Approved by Council vote on 11/12/2024