

Town of Yacolt Special Council Meeting/Budget Workshop Minutes Thursday September 18,2025 5:30 PM Town Hall

Call to Order

5:30 PM

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Roll Call

Council Members Present: Jeff Carothers, Kandi Peto, Craig Carroll, Brandon Russell, Marina Viray Also present: Mayor Ian Shealy, Public Works Director Terry Gardner, and Clerk Stephanie Fields

Executive Session

At 5:37 pm, Mayor Shealy closed the regular meeting and opened a short executive session to discuss potential real estate acquisition information. At 5:45 pm he closed the executive session and re-opened the regular meeting.

A motion was made to have Mayor Shealy present an offer to purchase the property next door to Town Hall for up to \$114,000 including closing costs.

Motion: Peto

2nd: Carroll

Ayes: Carothers, Peto, Carroll, Russell, Viray

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

New Business

Budget Workshop

Council spent the majority of the meeting discussing ways to increase revenue. Besides a 1% property tax increase, they floated ideas for a shuttle service and charging folks to park in the Rec Park parking lot and ride the shuttle. Mayor Shealy also mentioned a possible additional sales tax or grant which may be available to help offset Law Enforcement costs. Another small source of revenue will be selling off some surplus equipment. Council decided to have the Clerk update all of the figures as best she can and not hold another Budget Workshop at least until after the first Budget Hearing on October 20th at 6:00pm.

Adjourn: 7:00 pm	
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Mayor Ian Sheaty	Clerk Stephanie Fields
Approved by Council vote on	10-13-2025