

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

October 7, 2025

City Hall, 920 SE Cedar Falls Way, North Bend, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Miller called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Gothelf, Joselyn, Koellen, Rustik, and Torguson. Councilmembers Elwood and Tremolada were excused.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – City Council Meeting of September 16, 2025 & Special City Council Workstudy of September 23, 2025

Payroll – **September 19, 2025 – 77823** through **77825**, in the amount of **\$306,750.98**

Checks – **October 7, 2025 – 77826, 77835** through **77918**, in the amount of **\$4,271,497.86**

AB25-102 – Resolution 2165 Accepting WWTP HPI Phase 2 Project

AB25-103 – Resolution 2166 Accepting WA State Department of Health Grant

AB25-104 – Resolution 2167 Accepting Boxley Creek Mitigation Line Sallal Intertie Project

AB25-105 – Resolution 2168 Accepting Additional FHWA Grant Funds & Authorizing LAA
Supplement No. 2 RE Railway Crossing Improvements Project

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Debra Landers, North Bend Art & Industry, provided an update on North Bend Art & Industry activities and noted they would host a “Tuesday Museday” Artists Reception on October 14th from 6 to 8 p.m. at 1533 Bendigo Boulevard.

INTRODUCTIONS:

AB25-106 – Resolution 2169 Authorizing Agreement with NW Railway Museum for Railway Crossing Improvement Project **Audio: 4:49**

Public Works Director Mohr provided the staff report.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB25-106, resolution authorizing an agreement with the Northwest Railway Museum for construction engineering and construction of the Railway Crossings Capital Project. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

AB25-107 – Motion Authorizing Agreement with Bowman for Non-Residential Impact Fees Update

Audio: 10:04

Finance Director Chaw provided the staff report.

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Koellen to approve AB25-107, authorizing the Mayor to execute and administer a professional services agreement with Bowman in the amount of \$77,500 for a non-residential impact fee study and alternatives, in a form and content acceptable to the City Attorney. The motion **PASSED** 4-1 (Torguson).

AB25-108 – Ordinance Amending NBMC 10.20.020 & Adopting NBMC 10.20.050 RE Motorized Foot Scooters

Audio: 16:34

Community & Economic Development Director Henderson provided the staff report.

Councilmember Rustik **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB25-108, an ordinance relating to motorized foot scooters, amending NBMC 10.20.020 (General requirements and operation) and adopting a new NBMC Section 10.20.050 (Impoundment and penalties), as a first and final reading. The motion **FAILED** 3-2, with Councilmembers Koellen and Torguson voting no.

Councilmember Gothelf, who voted on the prevailing side, **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik, to reconsider the vote on the motion. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Torguson to table AB25-108, an ordinance relating to motorized foot scooters, amending NBMC 10.20.020 (General requirements and operation) and adopting a new NBMC Section 10.20.050 (Impoundment and penalties) to the October 21, 2025 City Council meeting to provide additional feedback and guidance so staff can draft an alternative ordinance. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Torguson noted the Finance & Administration Council Subcommittee has requested City Administration provide options for expense reduction in light of the possible deficit of 1.7 million dollars for 2026. She suggested those interested in the topic attend the October 14th Special Budget Workstudy, October 28th Council Workstudy and November 18th City Council meeting.

Councilmember Koellen noted it was flu and cold season and reported vaccines were available at QFC for those interested. Additionally, she encouraged those that were sick to stay home until symptoms improve.

Councilmember Rustik thanked those that donated food to the Apple Cup Food Drive and reported 325 pounds of food was collected and provided to the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank.

Councilmember Gothelf noted increased vehicle speed through City roundabouts and local neighborhoods and encouraged all to slow down while traveling through town.

City Administrator Emery reminded residents that the City has a webpage dedicated to information on police services and reported a task force had been created with local partners and City staff to discuss preparation for the 2026 World Cup.

Mayor Miller spoke regarding the following items:

- Yard Waste Recycling Program – October 11th 8 a.m. to Noon @ Public Works
- Community Shred Event – October 11th 8 a.m. to Noon @ City Hall
- Meet Up with Mayor – October 15th 9 – 10 a.m. @ Huxdotter Coffee
- Special Budget Workstudy – October 14th 7 p.m. @ City Hall

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Koellen. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mary Miller, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk