

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 21, 2026

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: Joselyn, Koellen, Rustik, Torguson and Tremolada. Councilmembers Elwood & McFarland were excused.

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik to approve the July 21, 2026 City Council meeting agenda. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

Mayor Miller announced AB26-060 – Motion Authorizing Amendment No. 5 with Perteet (Ardurra) for Floodplain Management Support would be pulled from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Main Agenda for discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – City Council Meeting of June 16, 2026 & City Council Workstudy of June 23, 2026

Payroll – June 18, 2026 – 79070 through 79073, in the amount of **\$303,289.14**

Payroll – July 2, 2026 – 79076 through 79079, 79142 through 79148, in the amount of **\$358,281.22**

Checks – July 7, 2026 – 79074 through 79075, 79080 through 79138, in the amount of **\$1,425,593.08**

Checks – July 21, 2026 – 79149 through 79214, in the amount of **\$1,445,693.43**

AB26-059 – Ordinance 1858 Authorizing Franchise Agreement with Forged Fiber 37, LLC

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Debra Landers, North Bend Art & Industry, shared the July monthly events and reported on the STEM summer camp program funded by a 4Culture grant that started this week.

Melissa Castillo, North Bend Art & Industry, provided an update on the Art in Nature Walk which features multiple art installation along the Snoqualmie Valley Trail in North Bend, Fall City and Carnation.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SnoValley Chamber of Commerce

Councilmember Torguson provided an update on Chamber activities.

Community & Economic Development Committee

Chair Councilmember Torguson provided a report of the July 21st meeting.

Public Health & Safety Committee

No report. The July 7th meeting was cancelled.

Transportation & Public Works Committee

Chair Councilmember Koellen provided a report of the June 23rd meeting.

Finance & Administration Committee

Chair Councilmember Rustik provided a report of the July 16th meeting.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting

Councilmember Rustik provided a report of the July 9th meeting.

Council Workstudy

Mayor Pro Tem Tremolada provided a report of the June 23rd Workstudy.

Economic Development Commission

Senior Planner Burrell provided a report of the June 25th meeting.

Planning Commission

Senior Planner Burrell provided a report of the July 1st meeting.

Parks Commission

Senior Planner Burrell provided a report of the June 17th meeting.

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee

Councilmember Joselyn provided a report of the July 8th meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS:

AB26-061 – Ordinance Authorizing Franchise Agreement with Comcast Audio: 21:51

Public Works Director Mohr provided the staff report.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Joselyn to approve AB26-061, setting for a second reading and consideration by the City Council the ordinance to approve a Franchise Agreement with Comcast Cable Communications Management,

LLC at the regularly scheduled August 4, 2026, City Council meeting. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

AB26-062 – Ordinance Authorizing Franchise Agreement with Level 3 Communications

Audio: 25:14

Public Works Director Mohr provided the staff report.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Joselyn to approve AB26-062, setting for a second reading and consideration by the City Council the ordinance to approve a Franchise Agreement with Level 3 Communications, LLC at the regularly scheduled August 4, 2026, City Council meeting. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

AB26-060 – Motion Authorizing Amendment No. 5 with Perteet for Floodplain Management Support

Audio: 27:36

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik to approve AB26-060, authorizing amendment No. 5 to the contract with Perteet for Floodplain Management Support Services, in a form and content acceptable to the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Joselyn commented on the July 10th Haystack Festival and the July 18th Block Party and acknowledged staff and the city for all of their efforts bringing people into Downtown North Bend.

Councilmember Tremolada thanked Police Chief Hall for his response regarding a recent incident in his neighborhood and encouraged all to report suspicious activity to the police. Additionally, he commented on a recent e-bike incident in the city and mentioned Council might want to consider revisiting the issue in the future and concluded by sharing statistics related to mental health and reminded everyone of the importance of staying in touch with family and friends.

Councilmember Rustik echoed Councilmember Joselyn's comments regarding the Block Party and remarked on the Car Show which took place the next day.

Councilmember Koellen thanked the King County Sheriff's Office for encouraging local youth to wear helmets while riding e-scooters with their Safe Rider Citation Program. Additionally, she provided some helpful hints to those that encounter bears and encouraged all hiking in the area to stay on designated trails.

Councilmember Torguson echoed fellow Councilmember's comments regarding the Block Party and Car Show and noted The Trail Youth Coffee Home was now open at 8 a.m.

Additionally, she reported receiving public input regarding parking in town and suggested the city consider installing wayfinding signs for parking.

Acting City Administrator Chaw extended a thank you to staff on behalf of City Administrator Emery for setup and cleanup of the Block Party, working with FEMA for reimbursement of the 2025 floods, Administrative Services team for rollout of the Civic Clerk Agenda Management Portal, Administrative Services and Finance teams for the NeoGov Payroll Software, and Finance team for rollout of the Business and Occupation Tax Online Portal.

Mayor Miller spoke regarding the following items:

- Wildfire Ready Toolkits for homeowners
- Comp Plan cycle for public amendment proposals open through October 15th
- Yard Waste Recycling Program – July 25th 8 a.m. to Noon @ Public Works
- Acknowledgement of volunteers for recent events
- Current heat wave

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Torguson. The motion **PASSED** 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mary Miller, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk