



CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 28, 2022, 6:00 PM

**IN PERSON - Sedro-Woolley Municipal Building, Council Chambers
325 Metcalf Street, Sedro-Woolley**

Committee: Councilmembers Joe Burns (Chair); Sarah Diamond; and Glenn Allen

Lead Staff: Charlie Bush, City Administrator

a. Call to Order

b. Approval of Minutes from March 30, 2022

The committee approved the minutes unanimously.

c. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- 1) Port of Skagit, Sara Young, Executive Director, and Heather Rogerson, Director of Planning and Development

Port staff discussed the Port's goal to diversify the economy, the Port's boundaries, and some of the data the Port collects (ex. an employee census). They discussed their partnership with EDASC and the Port's role in delivering on infrastructure projects to support economic development.

The conversation moved on to the SWIFT Center, which is owned by the Port. Port staff stated that the goal is to be a community within a community. The production of community wage jobs is the focus. That wage is about \$125 or more per household. The Port is interested in further partnerships with the City. Port staff talked about existing grant opportunities and plans for various buildings.

Port staff also mentioned a possible future military readiness center project.

- 2) Planning for Next Meeting

The committee discussed taking the summer off and reconvening in the fall.

d. Next Meeting: To be determined. The Business Development Committee meets the third Wednesday of each month, or as otherwise posted. All meetings are posted and meetings occur on an as-needed basis.

e. Adjournment

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