CITY OF SOUTH BEND 10/26/2026
Meeting # 885 2060 7407

1-2. CALL TO ORDER

The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Barnard at 5:30 pm. Members present, Councilor Kuiken, Councilor Manlow, Councilor Pearson, Councilor Davis, City Supervisor Houk, Police Chief Stigall, and Clerk/Treasurer Johnson. Fire Chief Madrid and Councilor Olsen were absent. (Excused)

3. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

4. APPROVAL – Agenda, Consent Agenda, and Prior Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Councilor Pearson to approve the agenda and the Consent Agenda. Motion carried. **Vote: Ayes-4, Noes-1.**

Vendors – Check #50741 thru Check #50767 - *$105,235.12* Including EFT Payments

5. CORRESPONDENCE –

A letter to the Mayor from Andrea Heisel, Interim Executive Director of Timberland Regional Library, reaffirming their commitment of funds to help re-establish the Library in South Bend.

6. PUBLIC HEARING: 2027 Revenue & Property Tax Levy

The Hearing was opened at 5:33 pm and closed at 5:34 pm with no public comment.

7. ORDINANCE 1620: An Ordinance for the City of South Bend, Washington, Levying a Tax on Real and Personal Property in the City of South Bend, Washington, for the Fiscal Year of 2027. (First Reading))

A motion was made by Councilor Pearson to move the Ordinance forward to a second reading. Motion carried. **Vote: Ayes-4, Noes-1.**

8. DISCUSSION: Proposed Budget Information for 2027: Fund Summary, Revenue and Expenditures.

The matter was discussed thoroughly. No action was taken.

9. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Chief Stigall reported that police officers will provide a patrol presence during the City-wide Business Trick-or-Treat event on Friday. He further announced that a Trunk-or-Treat event will be held at the Port on Saturday. He noted that last week's Homecoming celebration was monitored by police and concluded without incident. Supervisor Houk reported that the Public Works crew was working on repairing and replacing water pipes in Ecklund Park, as well as replacing storm drainage infrastructure on Adams Street.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported that she and the department heads participated in successful contract negotiations with union representatives, resulting in a ratified contract for Non-Comissioned Employees. She also met with the Judge, Court Clerk, and Prosecuting Attorney to discuss matters related to court operations. Additionally, she is working with Jenny Penoyar to research and pursue grant opportunities to support the restoration and reopening of the City Library.

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11. PUBLIC COMMENT – CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS - None

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS - None

11. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS - None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:51 PM to meet again on Monday November 9, 2026, for a regular council meeting at South Bend City Hall.

_____ **ATTEST: _____**

Bethany Barnard - Mayor **David Johnson – Clerk / Treasurer**

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