

Meeting Minutes

Bend City Council & Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Joint Meeting



Location: Council Chambers, 710 NW Wall Street, and online
Date: April 23, 2025

Joint Meeting

The joint meeting of the Bend City Council & Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs was called to order at 12:34 p.m. on Wednesday, April 23, 2025, in Council Chambers, 710 NW Wall Street, and online.

1. Called to Order at 12:34 p.m.

In attendance:

Bend City Council: Mayor Melanie Kebler, Mayor Pro Tem Megan Perkins, Councilor Gina Franzosa, Councilor Ariel Méndez, Councilor Mike Riley, Councilor Megan Norris, and Councilor Steve Platt

Warm Springs Tribal Council: Vice Chairman Raymond “Captain” Moody, Tribal Council Member Lincoln “Jay” Suppah, Tribal Council Member Carlos Calica, and Wasco Chief Jefferson Greene.

2. Lunch

Lunch occurred from 12:00-12:30 p.m., prior to the call to order.

3. Council to Council discussion

- a. Status of parties’ on-going consultation regarding Deschutes Basin water resources
- b. Status of roundabout art project
- c. CTWS Declaration of Sovereignty (1992)

Bend City Manager Eric King summarized the meeting’s agenda.

Bend Water Services Director Mike Buettner, Treasurer/CEO Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Bobby Brunoe and Attorney to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Josh Newton provided a presentation on the Deschutes Basin Water Issues, including a review of the City of Bend's water rights transfers, preliminary discussions to improve Deschutes Basin groundwater mitigation rules, and development of updated Deschutes Basin groundwater science.

City of Bend Communications and Engagement Director René Mitchell provided a status update on roundabout art, specifically the proposed process and potential locations for native art that recognizes that the City of Bend is located on Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (CTWS) ceded lands.

CTWS Treasurer/CEO Brunoe and CTWS lawyer Howard Arnett addressed the Declaration of Sovereignty, expressed its importance and discussed its history.

4. Adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Morgen Fry, City Recorder/AB



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