

BELLINGHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
April 21, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of Bellingham Housing Authority (“BHA”) held a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 in a hybrid format. The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. by Board Chair Gockley, followed by roll call. Chair Gockley declared a quorum present and the meeting opened for business.

ROLL CALL/QUORUM

Present: Commissioner Valerie Billmire
Commissioner Stephen Gockley
Commissioner Steven Price

Absent & Excused: Commissioner Terry Bornemann
Commissioner Alana Pattermann

BWCHA Staff Presenters: Lindsay Burmeister, Executive Services/HR Manager
Andrew Calkins, Executive Director
Tony Casale, Director of Development
Kate Donnelly, Chief Operating Officer
Jana Robbins, Director of Finance

Guest Presenters:

PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESIDENT INPUT

Chris Wells, Chuckanut Square Resident – His apartment gets hot, although the heat is not turned on. He suspects there is a blockage in the heater pipe and is requesting maintenance to look into it.

Paul Moore, Washington Square Resident – Thank you to BHA management for planning to tint the common room windows. Resident Council update provided - right now, the Resident Council is limited as to what activities it can conduct for residents, but the Activity Club is not. They are working to revitalize the Activity Club.

A. REPORTS

1. Executive Director Report: Attached to the Agenda
Executive Director Andrew Calkins presented the Executive Director’s Report, focusing on FY 2027 appropriations, available local options for affordable housing in Whatcom County, and BWCHA strategic initiatives for 2026.
2. 2025 BHA Financial Statements: Attached to the Agenda
Director of Finance Jana Robbins presented the 2025 BHA Financial Statements report.
3. Operations Report: Attached to the Agenda
Chief Operating Officer Kate Donnelly presented the quarterly Operations Report.
4. Development Report: Attached to the Agenda
Director of Development Tony Casale presented the quarterly Development Report.

B. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution 2841: Approve Job Description & Salary Schedule for New Classification of Construction Project Manager

Human Resources Manager Lindsay Burmeister provided an overview of resolution 2841.

Approve Resolution 2841

Commissioner Billmire moved to approve the motion

Commissioner Price seconded the motion and Chair Gockley called the vote.

AYES: Commissioner Valerie Billmire
Commissioner Stephen Gockley
Commissioner Steven Price

C. CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Price moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Motion: Approve Cash Disbursement/Vouchers for the Month of March 2026.

Motion: Approve Minutes for the March 2026 Regular BHA Board meeting.

Commissioner Billmire seconded the motion and Chair Gockley called the vote.

AYES: Commissioner Valerie Billmire
Commissioner Stephen Gockley
Commissioner Steven Price

NAYES: None

D. COMMISSIONER UPDATES – None

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered Executive Session at 2:35pm pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price;

No official action took place during the executive session.

Executive session adjourned at 2:53pm and Public Session was re-opened.

Commissioner Billmire called a motion to authorize the negotiation and execution of a purchase and sale agreement for the acquisition of the Sehome Court Property with the closing to be subject to final board approval.

Commissioner Price seconded the motion and Chair Gockley called the vote.

AYES: Commissioner Valerie Billmire
Commissioner Stephen Gockley
Commissioner Steven Price

NAYES: None

F. ADJOURNMENT

The public meeting was adjourned at 2:54PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Calkins

**Andrew Calkins,
Secretary/Treasurer**

ATTEST:

Stephen Gockley
[Stephen Gockley \(May 19, 2026 18:36:20 PDT\)](#)

**Stephen Gockley,
Chair, Board of Commission**









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