1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
Deputy Mayor Cope led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Daryl Eidinger (Not voting), Deputy Mayor Steve Cope, Councilmember Donna O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Luke Meyers, Councilmember Stephanie Shook, Rosanne Tomyn. Absent: Councilmember Tyron Christopherson.
Staff Present: Assistant City Administrator Eric Phillips, Assistant City Administrator Dave Gray, Acting City Clerk Jane Montgomery, Police Chief Ed Knutson.

Councilmember Christopherson arrived at 7:06 pm.

2. PRESENTATION

Senator Pam Roach- 31st Legislative District- Running Late- Item moved down in the agenda.

3. PRESENTATION

Representative Drew Stokesbury- 31st Legislative District- Running Late- Item moved down in the agenda.
(Representative Stokesbury was not able to attend the meeting).

4. CONSENT AGENDA

AB 15-0049, a motion approving 2015 Budgeted Expenditures As Follows:

Motion: As Read, Action: Approve, Moved by Councilmember Crowley, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cope. Motion passed unanimously.

5. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. AB 15-0327, a motion to adopt AB 15-0327, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Edgewood, Washington, Calling Out The Authorized Officials To Conduct Investment Activity With The US Bank Safekeeping Investment Account On Behalf Of The City Of Edgewood.

Assistant Administrator Gray briefed the Council on this agenda item. This is a housekeeping measure. Currently the past City Manager and Finance Director are listed as officers capable of conducting business with US Bank Safekeeping Investments, in which the City has approximately 1 million in long-term investments representing the Strategic Reserve Fund balance. This resolution submitted to the Council changes those capable of managing this investment account to a combination of two officers, one who must be an elected official. This item will be placed on the January 5th, 2016 consent agenda for consideration.
Assistant Administrator Phillips briefed on the Jovita Blvd. emergency closure. He handed out before and after pictures showing the restoration work that was performed.

Senator Pam Roach arrived at 7:20 pm. Senator Roach told the Council that she would like to start with a discussion of issues that were of concern to her and then she hoped Council would follow up with their questions. Senator Roach informed the Council that she is the Chair of the Government Operations and Security Committee. She touched on the following topics:

- Disaster preparedness;
- Local government issues;

Senator Roach asked for any questions from the Council. Mayor Eidinger stated that he would like to discuss the Public Records act and body cams.

Senator Roach then discussed the value of body cams. She was of the opinion that Law Enforcement officials are not in favor of them. Senator Roach also addressed various components of the Public Records law and her personal experience obtaining records. She gave various examples of situations where the release of records provided citizens with valuable information. Councilmember Shook expressed her concern with the challenges government faces with nuisance requestors. Discussion continued as Senator Roach talked about one way to resolve the issue. She said that Cities could redact information up front, and then provide a computer on premises that could be accessed by the public. She stated that financial feasibility also has to be a consideration.

Deputy Mayor Cope thanked Senator Roach for coming to speak. He stated that he is for open and transparent government.

Senator Roach then discussed:

- The ports in our region;
- Her trip to Panama Canal to see the locks;
- New Canal being built by China;
- Updating our region.

Councilmember Meyers asked Senator Roach what her thoughts were about the extension of Highway 167 and then he expressed his desire to route traffic off the Edgewood hill and find additional ways to tie into the Port. Councilmember Meyers hopes that the City of Edgewood does not become simply an elevated shoot to the Port.

Senator Roach responded that she would provide Councilmember Meyers with Traffic Safety Study’s which will show the outcome in terms of Edgewood. Discussion followed and the topic switched to rail safety and possible future demands to the current rail system. She also informed Councilmember Meyers that there is a specific group called the Rail Caucus that addresses rail issues and safety. She told Councilmember Meyers that she will bring the issue up with Committee members.

Senator Roach invited Councilmembers to come to Olympia and she would facilitate discussions with the various committees that she had mentioned.
6. ADJOURN

Mayor Eidinger adjourned the meeting at 7:46pm a reception for outgoing Councilmember's Paul Crowley and Steve Cope.

Jane Montgomery, Acting City Clerk

Daryl Eidinger, Mayor