

Whatcom County Business and Commerce Committee
Tuesday, February 21, 2023, 11-12:30pm

In person option details	Remote option details
Port of Bellingham 1801 Roeder Avenue Bellingham, WA 98225 Mt Baker Conference Room, 2 nd floor	Join Zoom Meeting (click to enter) Meeting ID: 854 8862 6852 Passcode: 665205 Dial by your location +1 253 205 0468 US +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Introductions / Administrative business / Comments welcome from the Public (5 min)

- Committee Chair calls meeting to order
- Committee Member Introductions
- Approve December 2022 and January 2023 minutes
- Invite public to participate along with Committee members during Q&A sessions

Update on Nooksack River Resources and Solutions

- Yakima Water Integrated Plan Partnership (Jan 2023 presentation) group invited to present at Whatcom County Council

Update on Community Safety

- Opportunity for a tour with ModCorr approximately April 2023 (Nov 2022 presentation), organized by Lyle Sorenson

Discussion regarding bylaws amendments (15 mins)

- Review of 2023 Business Commerce Roster & Meeting Schedule
- Review of Business Commerce Bylaws
- Chair/Co-Chair Nomination/Vote
- Recommendation to County Council to add Construction sector position

Presentation on Bellingham Technical College's Programs and Connections to Business and Commerce given by Anya Milton, Director of Corporate and Continuing Education and Work Based Education (20 mins)

- Connecting BTC training programs to Whatcom County business and employee needs
- New and existing BTC corporate training programs
- Q&A (10 mins)

Presentation on Whatcom Community College's Programs and Connections to Business and Commerce hosted by WCBCC Committee Member Eva Schulte, Executive Director for the WCC Foundation (20 mins)

Facilitated by Dr. Barry Robinson, WCC Vice President for Instruction with presentation Trish Newbold, Director for Workforce and Special Projects and Brent Lundstrom, Director, Center of Excellence for Cybersecurity

- Closing health disparities in our community through workforce development
- Addressing the cybersecurity workforce gap and training employees to be cyber-empowered
- Q&A (10 mins)

Close

Next meeting: Monday, March 20, 2023 11-1230pm

Tentative Topic: Plan to invite Whatcom County to respond to WCBCC Housing Memo

Hybrid Meeting- In-person encouraged and Zoom option available