## STAFF REPORT

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| **Proposed No.:** | 2021-0270 | **Name:** | Mike Reed |

**SUBJECT**

Proposed Motion 2021-0270 would approve the candidacy of Matthew P. Carroll to fill a vacant position on the Skykomish Town Council

**SUMMARY**

Matthew P. Carroll has indicated interest in filling a vacant position on the Skykomish Town Council. The position has been vacant since December of 2020. State law provides that authority for filling vacancies on local governing bodies passes to the county legislative authority if they are not filled by a local governing body within 90 days.

**BACKGROUND**

The Skykomish Town Council consists of five positions, each having a four-year term.

At the December 14, 2020 and December 28, 2020 meetings of the Town Council, Mayor Henry Sladek declared two vacancies on the Town Council. Skykomish residents interested in filling the positions were encouraged to send a letter of interest to the town clerk or mayor.

On Wednesday, May 19, 2021, an email was received by the mayor from Matthew P. Carroll, indicating an interest in filling one of the vacant Town Council positions.

RCW 42.12.070 defines the process for filling vacancies on local governing bodies. It provides that the remaining members of the body are to appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy withing 90 days of the date that the vacancy occurs. If the local governing body does not fill the vacancy within the specified period, its authority to fill the vacancy expires, and the county legislative authority is to appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy.

Because Position #3 on the Skykomish Town Council has remained unfilled for more than 90 days, the authority for filling the vacancy has passed to the King County Council.

The Skykomish Town Council has evaluated and recommended the candidacy of Matthew P. Carroll to fill Position #3 on the Town Council. Mayor Sladek has requested County Council consideration of the application of Mr. Carroll to fill the vacancy.

Proposed Motion 2021-0270 provides for the appointment of Matthew P. Carroll to fill Position #3 on the Skykomish Town Council.

**Matthew P. Carroll**

Matthew P. Carroll serves as the Business Manager and President of Local 89 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. He has served as a volunteer with the Sky Valley Youth Football Association, the Sky Valley Little League, the Monroe Community Corrections Network, the Monroe School District Alternative High School Advisory Committee, two Monroe School District bond committees. He has held professional licenses related to real estate and insurance services, and served as a Washington State Certified Flagging Instructor.

Council staff has received a copy of the Meeting Minutes of the June 14, 2021 Town of Skykomish Council meeting. Those minutes reflect a motion to support the application of Matthew P. Carroll for Council Position #3, for consideration by the King County Council; the motion to support was approved by a unanimous vote.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Matthew P. Carroll Bio