

**Regular City Council Meeting
February 15, 2017 @ 7:00 pm
Cordova Center Community Rooms A & B
Minutes**

A. Call to order

Mayor Clay Koplín called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on February 15, 2017 in the Cordova Center Community Rooms.

B. Invocation and pledge of allegiance

Mayor Koplín led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Roll call

Present for roll call were **Mayor Clay Koplín** and Council members **James Burton, Tom Bailer, Robert Beedle** and **James Wiese**. Council member **Tim Joyce** was present via teleconference. Council members **Josh Hallquist** and **David Allison** were absent. Also present were City Manager **Alan Lanning** and City Clerk **Susan Bourgeois**.

D. Approval of Regular Agenda

M/Bailer S/Burton to approve the Regular Agenda.

Vote on the motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

E. Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest

Beedle said that he could appear to have a conflict on item 16 because **Stephanie Rusinski** is a tenant of his. **Mayor Koplín** said he does see that as a conflict as he prefers to err on the side of caution. Council had a right to overrule that. Council did not overrule.

F. Communications by and Petitions from Visitors

1. Guest Speakers - none

2. Audience comments regarding agenda items

Don Sjostedt of 100 Marine Way South, spoke in support of Council authorizing the match to the Adams Avenue sidewalk project that had been cut in the budget.

Bob Smith of 702 Lake Avenue, spoke in support of Resolution 02-17-06. He offered a few suggested amendments and he believed that Council member **Beedle** was prepared to make those.

Stephanie Rusinski spoke in support of Resolution 02-17-05.

3. Chairpersons and Representatives of Boards and Commissions

Robert Beedle reported that Harbor Commission met last Wednesday they looked at rates for the harbor, they worked with the City Manager on the responsibilities of the harbor, wood is being shipped for finger float repair, he also thanked everyone involved in putting the packet together for DC looking for total harbor replacement money.

Tim Joyce reported that HSB met on February 9 and these items were discussed: 1) administrator continues to track changes to ACA with new administration in Washington, DC, 2) the board reviewed and approved the health needs assessment survey that was completed, 3) CCMC has been approved to provide disability exams for Vets, 4) 6 documented cases of the flu so far, flu shots still available, 5) they looked at December financials - increase in usage in nearly all departments, and over last year as well, still in the red for the year but some changes being implemented now will hopefully improve that bottom line, 6) backup for CT scanner discussed again - will be brought back before City Council, 7) they did a 6 month evaluation of the administrator, 8) shortly after the election the board would like the City Council to have a joint meeting with the newly elected board - to enable a smooth transition.

City Planner **Samantha Greenwood** reported that Planning & Zoning met last night - a recommendation was made that will come to Council's March 1 meeting on land disposal, and they elected a chair and a vice-chair.

4. Student Council Representative Report - **Corinne Pegau** reported that next week would be homecoming week, there will be a Leukemia Fundraiser called pennies for patients at that time, goal is \$2500 last year they raised \$2200. Earlier this week a student council member attended the legislative fly-in in Juneau with some School Board members. They are currently making plans on what to do with the amount they are budgeted.

G. Approval of Consent Calendar

Mayor Koplín declared the consent calendar was before the City Council.

5. Resolution 02-17-04 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska adopting an alternative allocation method for the FY17 shared fisheries business tax program and certifying that this allocation method fairly represents the distribution of significant effects of fisheries business activity in FMA 15: Prince William Sound

6. Council action on right to protest liquor license renewal for a Cordova business (LOOM #1266)
 7. Council concurrence of Mayor's appointment of the 2017 Election Board
 8. Record excused absence of Council member **Allison** from the January 18, 2017 Regular meeting
 9. Record unexcused absence of Council member **Beedle** from the February 1, 2017 Regular meeting
- Vote on the consent calendar: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. Beedle-yes; Hallquist-absent; Wiese-yes; Joyce-yes; Allison-absent; Bailer-yes and Burton-yes. Consent Calendar was approved.

H. Approval of Minutes

M/Bailer S/Burton to approve the minutes.

10. Minutes of 02-01-17 Regular Council Meeting

Vote on the motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

I. Consideration of Bids - none

J. Reports of Officers

11. Mayor's Report - **Mayor Koplín** had a written report in the packet and added that he was in Juneau last week and he had several meetings where he promoted Crater Lake water and power project, south harbor rebuild, state coming up with their portion of school bond debt repayment. Had a good meeting with the Governor, he wants our two federal request packets to hand deliver to Washington next week when he goes to a conference of governors meeting there. He met with ADF&G Commissioner Cotton briefly and testified on HB 87 about the board of fish procedures. He stated that he would be putting forward **Tom Bailer** for the PWSAC board later in tonight's meeting.

12. Manager's Report - **Lanning** said tomorrow there will be another strategic planning session. He said he has been working on the federal request concerning the harbor and also a \$2.3 million request is entered for Phase 2 of the streets project. The CAPSIS submittal to the state has been reworked.

13. City Clerk's Report - **Bourgeois** asked for a response to an email she sent to Council - she wondered if everyone wanted her to continue with forwarding of emails during the legislative session from **Bitney, AML** and **LIO**. There were nods so she took that as a yes and said she would continue to do so.

K. Correspondence

14. 02-07-17 Letter from Don Sjostedt in support of Adams Street upgrades project

15. 02-07-17 Letter from J. Baenen & T. Altermott in support of Adams Street upgrades project

Council discussed these letters and ask **Lanning** if they could see funding for this project come before them at the next meeting.

L. Ordinances and Resolutions

16. Resolution 02-17-05 A resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, approving the license for a mobile restaurant

M/Bailer S/Burton to approve resolution 02-17-05 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, approving the license for a mobile restaurant.

Bailer's only comment would be he hopes it would be placed on that lot in such a way that would allow another food truck to also use a portion of that lot in case that comes about. He also wondered about the safety of that lot, as it is unimproved - City's liability, etc. **Wiese** asked the applicant if her plan was to be seasonal - she replied it was she hoped to start up about April 1.

Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison), 1 conflict of interest (Beedle). Motion was approved.

17. Resolution 02-17-06 A resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, supporting reinstatement of Prince William Sound crab and other historical fisheries and the development of new fisheries and mariculture, emphasizing benefits to fishermen, processors, and local economies while sustaining the resource for yield

M/Bailer S/Burton to approve resolution 02-17-06 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, supporting reinstatement of Prince William Sound crab and other historical fisheries and the development of new fisheries and mariculture, emphasizing benefits to fishermen, processors, and local economies while sustaining the resource for yield

M/Beedle S/Joyce to amend by adding *subsistence* before the word crab in the "now, therefore, be it resolved" paragraph and add, *supports Board of Fish proposal 268*, after Prince William Sound in the "be it further resolved" paragraph.

Vote on the motion to amend: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

Vote on the main motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

M. Unfinished Business

18. Sheridan Alpine Association water bill

M/Bailer S/Burton to reduce the Sheridan Alpine water bill charge to the HI classification for the months of December and January pending contract renegotiation.

Lanning said he was directed after the work session to start working on their contract and he said there is a meeting scheduled to do so. He was also told to bring this back with reductions – he has done so. *Joyce* said he supports the motion he thinks it's a good compromise – when the contract was written there was no snow making. *Burton* wondered about February and March. *Lanning* said we'll have to see what the bill comes in at I guess, we could come back to you if necessary. *Beedle* agrees that we need to look at industrial rates altogether – there's a big gap between light industrial and heavy industrial. Further discussion ensued regarding possibly calling this an in-kind donation.

Vote on the motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

N. New & Miscellaneous Business

19. Council concurrence of Mayor's appointment of City of Cordova representative to the PWSAC board of directors *M/Joyce S/Wiese* to concur with *Mayor Koplins* appointment of *Tom Bailer* to serve as the City representative to the PWSAC board.

Vote on the motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

20. Pending Agenda, Calendar and Elected & Appointed Officials lists

CT Scanner & Adams Street sidewalks will be on next agenda.

Bailer recommended that a board training session could be useful soon after the election.

O. Audience Participation

Don Sjostedt of 100 Marine Way South, commented on the Adams Ave upgrade project – he is in support. He opined it is in the City's best interest to look at this carefully.

Bob Smith thanked the Council for passing the resolution from the FDC.

P. Council Comments

Joyce thanked City crews for snow removal efforts.

Wiese thanked all the people who came out tonight to speak. He thanked the fisheries development committee too.

Bailer echoed thanks to the City snow removal.

Beedle echoed the thanks to crews.

Burton thanked everyone for showing up tonight – he congratulated *Stephanie Rusinski*. He said he really wants to see us move ahead with Adams Street.

At 8:02 pm *Mayor Koplins* recessed the meeting with no objection from Council in order to clear the room before the executive session.

The regular session was called back to order at 8:08 PM.

Q. Executive Session

M/Bailer S/Burton to enter an executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the government, specifically, City land disposal performance deed of trust negotiations.

Vote on the motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Allison). Motion was approved.

Council entered the executive session at 8:08 pm.

21. City land disposal performance deed of trust negotiations

The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:38 pm. *Mayor Koplins* stated that Council took no action but directed *Lanning* to proceed as was discussed in the executive session.

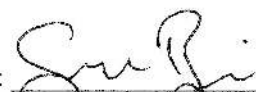
R. Adjournment

M/Bailer S/Beedle to adjourn the meeting.

Hearing no objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Approved: March 1, 2017

Attest:



Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk

