

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 9, 2010 @ 12:00 PM
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor James Kallander called the Council Special Meeting to order at 12:00PM on April 9, 2010 in the Library Meeting Room.

B. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were *Mayor James Kallander*, Council members *Keith van den Broek*, *James Kacsh*, *David Allison*, *Bret Bradford*, *David Reggiani* and *Robert Beedle*. Council member *EJ Cheshier* was absent. Also present was Deputy City Clerk *Susan Bourgeois*.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/Allison S/Kacsh to approve the agenda.

Vote on motion: 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 absent (Cheshier). Motion carried.

D. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST- None

E. COMMUNICATIONS BY AND PETITIONS FROM VISITORS

1. Audience comments regarding agenda items - None

F. NEW BUSINESS

2. Resolution 04-10-23

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, authorizing the transfer, as a loan, of up to \$500,000.00 from the general fund balance to Cordova Community Medical Center

M/Bradford S/Reggiani to approve Resolution 04-10-23 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska, authorizing the transfer, as a loan, of up to \$500,000.00 from the general fund balance to Cordova Community Medical Center.

Kacsh said as soon as a CFO is in place at CCMC we should discuss the repayment plan. *Beedle* said he does not feel ready or qualified to vote on this – it is a lot of money. *Reggiani* appreciates *Beedle's* concern but he feels like we have to go off of the information presented to us by our acting administrator. *Reggiani* said it appears to be a cash flow problem and he is comfortable because this is a loan not an outright contribution. *Van den Broek* said he had a question for Ashley (*Royal* – the Finance Director) – would this cause any cash flow problems for the City. *Kallander* thought the answer was that no it would not. *Bradford* said he would support this because we have to pay out bills. *Allison* said that it did cause us to sell some bonds to make this loan but he is in support of this even though it is a bitter pill to swallow.

Vote on motion: 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 absent (Cheshier). van den Broek – yes; Kacsh – yes; Allison – yes; Bradford – yes; Reggiani – yes and Beedle – yes. Motion carried.

3. Health Services Board restructuring

M/Bradford S/Reggiani to ask John Renner to resign from the Health Services Board and if he does not, then to direct the Mayor to write him a letter giving 15 days notice of removal from the board.

Kacsh said he disagreed because he and Cheshier have that same conflict being on City Council and having close relatives work for the City. *Reggiani* agreed that the conflict would just need to be declared if there was a Health Services Board agenda item where he was conflicted. *Allison* said he wouldn't support this without any reason other than the relationship. *Kallander* said that in his years on the Health Services Board, he never heard this individual declare a conflict of interest on an agenda item. *Reggiani* said that while it is a board member's duty to declare conflicts, it is also the duty of the chair and the board as a whole to ensure that conflicts of interest are declared. *Allison* said, through reorganization, he would like to see the Health Services Board get a handle on this and many other things. If after awhile, the Health Services Board comes to Council with a request like this or with something else, he hopes that Council will support them in their decision.

Vote on motion: 1 yea, 5 nays, 1 absent (Cheshier). van den Broek – no; Kacsh – no; Allison – no; Bradford – yes; Reggiani – no and Beedle – no. Motion failed.

Mayor Kallander thanked *Bradford* for bringing this up. *Mayor Kallander* appreciated *Allison's* comment about the need for a full board.

4. Mayor appointment and Council concurrence to appoint City representative to RCAC Board of Directors – Nancy Bird.

M/Allison S/Reggiani to concur with Mayor Kallander's appointment of Nancy Bird to the RCAC Board of Directors.

Vote on motion: 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 absent (Cheshier). Motion carried.

G. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jason Borer of the Eyak Corporation said that Colonel Koenig from the Corps of Engineers will be in town Monday and Tuesday (April 12 & 13) specifically to look at the Sheppard Point Road project as well as other projects going on around town. He wanted to invite *Mayor Kallander* and/or the *Vice Mayor* and/or any and all Council members to attend a breakfast on Tuesday at the Reluctant Fisherman as well as a dinner on Monday night being held at the NVE offices.

Keren Kelley thanked Council for the loan and she said she would get them a report in 2 weeks time. She respects their concerns and ensures that CCMC will be a good steward of the citizens of Cordova's tax dollars.

Cathy Sherman mentioned that there would be cake at 1PM today for *Lila Koplín's* going away celebration.

H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Van den Broek said that he hadn't commented during the HSB restructuring vote. He wanted to weigh in to say that removing an individual is a small Band-Aid he looks forward to upcoming meetings where major restructuring will be discussed.

Bradford wanted to ensure that he is not "out for anyone". He perceived a conflict and he is sure he is not the only one. He is just looking out for the best interest of the community.

Beedle expressed his hope and faith in the HSB as well as *Keren Kelley*.


I. ADJOURNMENT

M/Reggiani S/Bradford to adjourn the Special Meeting.

Hearing no objection, *Mayor Kallander* adjourned the Special Meeting at 12:40PM.

Approved: June 2, 2010

Attest:



Susan Bourgeois, City Clerk



