

**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**April 20, 2016 @ 7:00 pm**  
**Cordova Center Community Rooms A & B**  
**Minutes**

**A. Call to order**

**Mayor Clay Koplín** called the Council Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on April 20, 2016 in the Cordova Center Community Rooms.

**B. Invocation and pledge of allegiance**

**Mayor Clay 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 **David Allison**. Council member **Tim Joyce** was present via teleconference. Council members **Josh Hallquist** and **James Wiese** were absent. Also present were City Manager **Randy Robertson** and City Clerk **Susan Bourgeois**.

**D. Approval of Regular Agenda**

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

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

**E. Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest - none**

**F. Communications by and Petitions from Visitors**

1. Guest Speakers - **John Bitney** reported on the latest from Juneau - they are still in session - it's a continuation, day 93. Use of the Permanent Fund, oil tax credits bill, the budget are all still being worked on. City of Anchorage still pressuring for a bond package for port project - if that happens, it might be last - and Cordova will still push to get into that. Increases to fisheries taxes, motor fuels taxes, etc. - likelihood is that may be discussed in a special session. Municipal assistance program still being considered, PCE credits being restructured for that. **Joyce** asked if PCE credit will be effected - **Bitney** said it will not. **Mayor Koplín** said that Council and the public should know that the LIO email list is great and can keep you up to date on Juneau and the ability to comment, give public testimony etc.

2. Audience comments regarding agenda items

**Kevin Quinn**, owner operator of Points North for almost 20 years, gave City Council an overview of his efforts over the past 10+ years to acquire more permits from the USFS to expand the area he uses for heli-skiing. He thanked Council for the resolution tonight as it could assist his efforts.

**Alicia Jensen** has an item on the agenda about her business that was approved in January. The food truck was supposed to be 25 feet in length it has come back at 27 and she would appreciate if Council could approve the exception for her.

3. Chairpersons and Representatives of Boards and Commissions

Harbor Commission - **Beedle** had nothing to report.

**Allison** said that the HSB met last week and there are financial concerns again. CEO candidates have been interviewed and the board hasn't yet finalized a decision.

4. Student Council Representative Report - they were not present

**G. Approval of Consent Calendar**

**Mayor Koplín** declared the consent calendar before Council.

Council member **Beedle** called out item 5 and **Mayor Koplín** added it as item 13a.

5. Resolution 04-16-18 A resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska in support of helicopter skiing in the Chugach National Forest near Cordova, Alaska

6. Council allowance of change to mobile food truck length, Old Squaw, LLC

7. Council confirmation of CVFD election of officers for 2016

Vote on the consent calendar: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent. Wiese-absent; Joyce-yes; Beedle-yes; Hallquist-absent; Allison-yes; Burton-yes and Bailer-yes. Consent Calendar was approved.

**H. Approval of Minutes**

**M/Burton S/Bailer** to approve the minutes.

## 8. Minutes of 04-06-16 Regular Council Meeting

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

### I. Consideration of Bids - none

### J. Reports of Officers

9. Mayor's Report - **Mayor Koplín** added a few items to his written report. He commended the City Manager for implementing the policy concerning animals on City property, in vehicles, etc. The policy has been distributed to staff. He mentioned the one meeting per month summer schedule and wanted Council to be thinking that way as summer approaches. He also encouraged Council to avail themselves for the training being offered May 3 & 4. **Mayor Koplín** said that AIGCO has asked for a work session with Council and they have sent a non-disclosure agreement ahead of that but it's a little sticky. He suggested that the manager could execute that but it might not be appropriate for a whole body to do so. **Mayor Koplín** presented a proclamation of appreciation to all of those involved in the Alaska Shield exercise - he presented it to **Dick Groff** as a representative of the first responders as **Robertson** read the proclamation aloud. **Allison** asked the Mayor if in his report he was requesting Council concurrence in appointing **Mike Anderson** to the Southeast Conference's transportation committee. **Mayor Koplín** did ask for that.

**M/Allison S/Beedle** to concur with **Mayor Koplín's** appointment of **Mike Anderson** to serve as Cordova representative to the Southeast Conference's transportation committee.

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

10. Manager's Report - **Robertson** said that in the staff reports he had asked for dollar amount to be tacked on to the building permits and if you think about that he said there are some \$3 million worth of projects going on right now across the City - he said with a downturned state economy, etc. that's not too bad for Cordova. He said he had an out-brief with **Michelle**, the lead with BDO (City auditor's), and so far things are good but still early on in the process. **Robertson** said the road project has begun, down at the Harbor. **Robertson** commended **Schinella** on the work done on G float.

**Robertson** also wanted on the record the resolution from last year that clearly demonstrated that the City devoted \$225K to the CT Scanner purchase. He said it was a placeholder at the time but now the hospital is ready to pay for that item so he wanted to ensure Council the visibility of it and to say that he will be turning that money over unless he hears something different at this time from Council. **Allison** said he had a comment, and a question for the Council members about this item. He wanted to know if it would be agreeable to this group to authorize the lease for the CT Scanner and then turn around and use the \$225K for other accounts payable items. **Beedle** commented and then **Bailer, Joyce** and **Burton** concurred that the resolution was specific and that money was intended for the CT Scanner. **Allison** also agreed with that.

#### a. Staff Quarterly Reports

i. Harbor, Harbormaster **Tony Schinella**

ii. Police, Chief **Mike Hicks**

iii. Information Services/Museum/Library

Technology Leader, **Jason Gabrielson**

Library Director, **Miriam Dunbar**

iv. Public Works, Director **Rich Rogers**

v. Parks and Recreation, Director **Susan Herschleb**

vi. Finance, Director **Jon Stavig**

vii. City Investments, **Buck Adams**, UBS Financial

viii. Cordova Volunteer Fire Department, Fire Marshal **Paul Trumblee**

11. City Clerk's Report, **Bourgeois** said that at Pending Agenda she would be discussing the times that have been set for Council training and a Community Forum on marijuana regulations coming up in early May.

### K. Correspondence

12. Letter from Governor Walker to Mayor Koplín re Election victory 03-21-16

13. Letter from Mayor Koplín to ADF&G Comm. et al, regarding Tanner Crab meeting, 04-06-16

### L. Ordinances and Resolutions

13a. 5. Resolution 04-16-18 A resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska in support of helicopter skiing in the Chugach National Forest near Cordova, Alaska

**M/Allison S/Bailer** to approve Resolution 04-16-18 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alaska in support of helicopter skiing in the Chugach National Forest near Cordova, Alaska.

*Beedle* was unclear as to whether this would help Points North or not because it seemed generic and not specific to his business. *Mayor Koplín* reiterated some of what he mentioned earlier, that the USFS asked for such a resolution. *Mr. Quinn* had already thanked the Council for the resolution in the packet and was in support of it. The other Council members understood and were in support. *Beedle* thought the resolution could work against *Mr. Quinn* and Points North he made a motion to postpone this until there was more information. There was no second to his motion so it died and *Mayor Koplín* said if there was no further new information, he'd take the vote.

Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 1 nay (Beedle), 2 absent (Hallquist, Wiese). Motion approved.

#### M. Unfinished Business - none

#### N. New & Miscellaneous Business

##### 14. Pending Agenda, Calendar, Elected & Appointed Officials lists

*Bourgeois* mentioned the calendar of upcoming events. Council concurred that May 3 work session with the attorney for two specific items: training and HSB governance would be at 5:30 pm and then it would be continued if necessary on May 4 at 6pm for one hour previous to the regular meeting that night. *Mayor Koplín* reminded everyone that he would be on vacation so *Vice Mayor Bailer* would be handling those meetings. *Allison* also mentioned the need for a short Council special meeting on April 27 - 5:45 pm which is 15 minutes ahead of an HSB meeting at 6pm that same night.

*Allison* said there doesn't appear to be a Council representative to the School Board and he said he would gladly attend those and report to Council as he is often at those meetings anyway. Council concurred that it was a voluntary attendance.

#### O. Audience Participation - none

#### P. Council Comments

*Allison* said he met with the auditors and she was pleased with the audit, said much better than previous years - she said the extra staff we hired on to do the year end work were very helpful. He said US News and World Report ranked Cordova High School #1 in the state.

*Beedle* said that problem solvers will be going to internationals and the music kids have gone to state.

*Joyce* was of the opinion that the one meeting per month schedule begins in June not May. Also he said if the CEO of CCMC and the City Manager and chair of the HSB are in discussions, they should be cc'ing the rest of the board on some of that too, for transparency.

Others opined that any of that could get to the rest of the board through *Faith* or the CEO but not directly from the chair of the board.

#### Q. Executive Session

*M/Bailer S/Beedle* to go into an executive session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect on the finances of the government specifically the ATS 1004 RFP.

##### 15. ATS 1004 RFP

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

At 8:20 pm *Mayor Koplín* called a five minute recess to clear the room. *Robertson* asked for *Schinella* and *Greenwood* to be in attendance at the executive session.

Council entered the executive session at 8:23 pm and was back in open session at 9:21 pm.

*M/Joyce S/Burton* to direct the Manager to proceed as was discussed in the executive session.

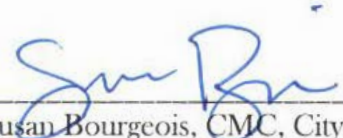
Vote on the motion: 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent (Hallquist, Wiese). Motion approved.

#### R. Adjournment

*M/Bailer S/Allison* to adjourn the meeting.

Hearing no objection the meeting was adjourned at 9:22 pm.

Attest:

  
Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk

