

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pat Branson called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Councilmembers Laura B. Arboleda, Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Terry Haines, and Richard H. Walker were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmember John B. Whiddon was absent. City Manager Mike Tvenge, Deputy Clerk Michelle Shuravloff-Nelson, and Assistant Clerk Annika Woods were also present.

Salvation Army Major Dave Davis gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilmember Bishop MOVED to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2019, regular meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Arboleda, Bishop, Davidson, Haines, and Walker in favor. Councilmember Whiddon was absent. The motion passed.

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Proclamations: Applauding the USCG and Proclaiming USCG Appreciation Day

Mayor Branson read the proclamation, which urges all citizens to recognize our Coast Guard community for their individual and collective efforts in making Kodiak and all the navigable waters of Alaska a safer and better place to live, work, and play. The City applauds and proclaims February 23, 2019, as Coast Guard Appreciation Day.

Captain Jeffrey Good and Captain Brian Dailey of the Kodiak Coast Guard Base accepted the proclamation. Captain Good thanked the City of Kodiak and he expressed gratitude on behalf of the Coast Guard to Kodiak and the citizens for their generosity during the government shutdown. Captain Dailey expressed that the love and outpouring of the community helped greatly, and he stated the USCG was ready to serve during the shutdown.

Mayor Branson thanked both captains for their attendance. She stated Kodiak is an official Coast Guard City and applauded the Coast Guard.

b. Public Comment

None

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS**a. Resolution No. 2019–05, Approving the City Council’s Budget Goals for FY2020**

Mayor Branson read Resolution No. 2019–05 by title. The Council reviewed and discussed the proposed budget goals for FY2020 at the annual planning meeting on January 26, 2019. The goals are similar to those of FY2019 with some changes to the following sections: operating expenses; enterprise funds; community support and economic development. Staff will use the approved goals during the development of the FY2020 City budget and future operations.

Councilmember Arboleda MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2019–05.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Arboleda, Bishop, Davidson, Haines, and Walker in favor. Councilmember Whiddon was absent. The motion passed.

b. Authorization of Change Order No. 2, With Brechan Construction LLC for Aleutian Homes Water and Sewer Phase VI, Project No. 15-03/7037

Aleutian Homes Water and Sewer Replacement Phase VI project started in March 2018 and was substantially complete in October 2018. The project is now approaching final completion and City Engineering and Brechan Construction are preparing project closeout documents. Change Order No. 2 has been prepared to reconcile unit cost quantities and allocate the additional amount from existing project funding to allow for final payment to Brechan Construction.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to authorize the Change Order No. 2, With Brechan Construction LLC for Aleutian Homes Water and Sewer Phase VI, Project No. 15-03/7037.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Arboleda, Bishop, Davidson, Haines, and Walker in favor. Councilmember Whiddon absent. The motion passed.

VI. STAFF REPORTS**a. City Manager**

Mike Tvenge thanked Chief of Police Putney for filling in for him during the last regular meeting. He shared that the City received a call from Lea Van Sandt, Environmental Program Specialist with the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Drinking Water Program and thanked the City Council for initiating an incentive to homeowners for water samples. Manager Tvenge said the WWTP Plant Manager collected 43 samples and submitted them for testing by January 30. He said with the incentive the process of collection was more efficient than the previous two years and the results are expected back later this month.

Manager Tvenge thanked Karl Swanson for taking over as interim Finance Director and welcomed Kelly Mayes as the City’s returning Finance Director. He shared that the City’s FY2020 State capital projects request was submitted in the Capital Project Submission & Information

System (CAPSIS) for consideration in the FY2020 Capital Budget. He stated the projects in order of priority and the financial request were as follows:

1. New Fire station Phase II in the amount of \$14,000,000
2. Outdoor Warning Sirens/ Tsunami Sirens in the amount of \$1,250,000
3. St. Herman Harbor Infrastructure Replacement in the amount of \$28,000,000
4. Waste Water Treatment Plant Facility in the amount of \$19,000,000
5. Parks and Recreation Facility Upgrade in the amount of \$250,000

He stated Alster Communication from Anchorage will be in Kodiak on February 26 to conduct a warning siren site survey. He shared they will visit each site with our Chief of Police to determine quantity and location for future replacement of the existing sirens. He stated the cost for the survey is within his spending authority.

Councilmember Davidson asked if the Kodiak Island Borough is contributing to the payment for the site visit and recommended that Pasagshak and Chiniak be included in the survey. Manager Tvenge said the City is arranging and paying for the survey at this time and he concurred that all the sites will be in the survey.

City Clerk

Deputy Clerk Shuravloff-Nelson reminded public the next work session is February 26 and the regular meeting is February 28. She confirmed that the Lobbyist Review Committee was scheduled for 5 p.m. on February 15.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Branson stated the Governor's state budget was recently announced and expressed concern over coastal communities that could be affected by the budget cut to the Marine Highway System. She thanked the USCG for their service and she thanked Karl Swanson for serving as the interim Finance Director and welcomed Kelly Mayes. She wished everyone a happy Valentine's Day.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Arboleda thanked the Coast Guard for their willingness to protect. She shared that it is comforting to know they are always there and respond so quickly. She thanked the crossing guards for helping people during adverse weather.

Councilmember Davidson complimented the Coast Guard and said Kodiak would have a hard time operating its fishing fleet without them. He encouraged the public to attend the next work session and give their opinion of the Near Island Plans. He wished everyone a happy Valentine's Day.

Councilmember Walker thanked Karl Swanson for filling in and welcomed Kelly back as the Finance Director. He said he is proud that Kodiak is a Coast Guard City and it would not be the same place without the Coast Guard Base. He was concerned about the steep budget cuts for education and the Marine Highway System.

Councilmember Haines thanked the City for its terrific staff, which acknowledged Karl Swanson and Kelly Mayes. He feels Alaska is well represented in Juneau, and Kodiak is well positioned. He said the Marine Highway System is vital to many communities including Kodiak, and that communities will need to go to Juneau to tell that story. He agreed with others' sentiments regarding the Coast Guard.

Councilmember Bishop echoed his gratitude to the Finance Department and their successful audit. He thanked Karl and welcomed Kelly. He thanked the Coast Guard and stated they are a vital asset to Kodiak. He thanked the community and business owners who provided help to the Coast Guard during the government shutdown.

Mayor Branson thanked Manager Tvenge and Chief of Police Putney for moving forward with the Tsunami Siren update, their research, and hard work.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Arboleda, Bishop, Davidson, Haines, and Walker in favor. Councilmember Whiddon was absent. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

CITY OF KODIAK



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK



Minutes Approved: February 28, 2019