

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

Deputy Mayor Laura B. Arboleda called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmembers Randall C. Bishop, Charles E. Davidson, Terry J. Haines, and Richard H. Walker, were present and constituted a quorum. Mayor Pat Branson and Councilmember John B. Whiddon were absent. City Manager Mike Tvenge, City Clerk Nova Javier, and Deputy Clerk Michelle Shuravloff-Nelson 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 April 25, 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

Councilmember Bishop read proclamations in the order of agenda item e. for a. and a. for e.

a. Proclamation: Municipal Clerks Week

Councilmember Bishop read this proclamation, which recognizes Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their dedication to the Kodiak community.

City Clerk Javier and Deputy Clerk Shuravloff-Nelson accepted the proclamation and Clerk Javier thanked the Deputy Mayor Arboleda and Councilmembers for recognizing the Municipal Clerk's profession.

b. Proclamation: Police Week and Peace Officers Memorial Day

Councilmember Walker read this proclamation, which urges all citizens and patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to recognize police officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their community and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens. And encourages all citizens to honor those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let recognizes and pays respect to the survivors of fallen heroes.

Police Chief Putney accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Kodiak Police Department. Police Chief Putney said in 1962 President John F. Kennedy signed a bill into law designating May

15 to honor law enforcement officers and the week to be proclaimed as national police week. He shared that 140-160 law enforcement officers die every year in the line of duty. He referred to the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial in Washington where he paid he recently visited and paid his respects to Gordon Bartel, a Kodiak Police Officer that died in the line of duty in 1983 at age 29.

c. Proclamation: Salvation Army Week

Councilmember Haines read this proclamation, which recognizes the Salvation Army for its service to Kodiak and throughout Alaska.

Major Dave Davis accepted the proclamation and said he believes being a part of the Kodiak community is a privilege.

d. Proclamation: Safe Boating Week

Councilmember Davidson read this proclamation, which urges residents who boat to wear Coast Guard-approved personal flotation devices and to practice safe boating habits.

Wes Hanna, member of the Kodiak Flotilla USCG Auxilary, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Deputy Mayor and Councilmembers. He said paddling crafts require special safety considerations and noted they are partnering with Walmart on an educational program for water safety on May 18 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and he encouraged public attendance.

e. Proclamation: Emergency Medical Services Week

Councilmember Bishop read this proclamation, which urges residents to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers.

Fire Chief Mullican with Deputy Chief Dorner, Captain Steel McNeil, Fire Fighter Mark Puliafico, and Fire Fighter Ryan Holton accepted the proclamation. Chief Mullican thanked the Deputy Mayor and Councilmembers for their appreciation. He shared that the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) responds to medical emergencies on the Kodiak road system. He acknowledged Dr. Everett, in the audience, which is the City's Medical Director that oversees the medical service program. He provided a Kodiak EMS response report, which demonstrated beyond the call and shared some of the services they have provided.

f. Proclamation: Declaring Mental Health Month

Deputy Mayor Arboleda read this proclamation, which recognizes the importance of mental health treatment and encourages the community to increase awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps one can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illnesses.

Jenny DeSalle, Kodiak Providence Counseling Center, said that mental health can impact other areas of one's life. She said the goal is to educate and remove the stigma of mental illness and she reminded the public there are resources available.

g. Public Comments

Dave Blacketer gave a report for the Senior Citizens of Kodiak, Inc. He shared that they provide meals at the center and meal delivery seven days a week. He provided an update on the KATS services and stated they provided education and coordinated other local resources for seniors. He said they gave respite services and that membership is pleased with their services based on the annual survey. He thanked everyone for their support.

Jack Everich vessel owner, commented on opposition of a Borough ordinance pertaining to severance tax by stating all taxpayers should share the fiscal burden. He said as a young business owner the costs in Kodiak make it difficult to plan for the future and he said the water and sewer bill is very high, noting it is the highest in the nation.

Fire Chief Mullican said the newest ambulance is in the parking lot for viewing. He said a State of Alaska Code Blue grant helped pay for the ambulance. He said there are three ambulances less than five years old, which improves patient care. He said the Governor has cut the Code Blue funding and commented these funds have gone to EMS services and overall lowers cost to the taxpayers.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**a. Second Reading and Public Hearing, Ordinance No. 1385, Establishing Supplemental Appropriation No. 1 to the Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the First Day of July 2018 and Ending on the Thirtieth Day of June 2019**

Deputy Mayor Arboleda read Ordinance No. 1385 by title. The Supplemental Appropriation No. 1 to the budget for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of July 2018 and ending on the thirtieth day of June 2019 is in the amount of \$3,183,246. It is customary for the City Council to approve at least one supplemental budget annually to authorize the adjustments of current revenues and expenses as detailed in the attachments provided. These adjustments are for the operating funds as well as additions to project funds for grant revenues received and additional expenditures needed that were not known at the time the original budget was adopted.

Councilmember Haines MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1385.

Deputy Mayor Arboleda opened and closed the regular meeting when no one came forward to testify and she reopened the meeting.

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

V. NEW BUSINESS**a. Resolution No. 2019-09, Donating a Retired Ambulance to the City of Larsen Bay**

Deputy Mayor Arboleda read Resolution No. 2019-09, by title. The City of Larsen Bay and Larsen Bay Tribal Council both adopted resolutions declaring the need for an ambulance in the City of Larsen Bay. Stated in both resolutions is the willingness of the local residents in Larsen

Bay to be involved in their community by volunteering during times of disaster. The City of Larsen not only has approximately eighty year-round residents but they also have an increase in population in the summer which causes concern regarding general welfare and safety due to their lack of an ambulance to respond for emergencies. In addition to the resolutions, a formal letter of request for donation was received from the City of Larsen Bay.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2019-09.

Councilmember Haines was pleased to donate this ambulance to Larsen Bay.

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

b. Authorization of Memorandum of Agreement With Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak for Their Tribal Transportation Program Route Inventory

The Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak (Sun'aq) is a federally recognized Alaska Native Tribe within the City of Kodiak and serves 1,738 tribal members on the Kodiak Road System. As a federally recognized tribe, Sun'aq is eligible for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Tribal Transportation Program (TTP), which allows tribal entities access to funding for the improvement of transportation infrastructure integral to the well-being of the tribe. The Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak requested the addition of City roads and trails to their inventory of Tribal Transportation routes. The road and trail additions included in the inventory are listed in the attached proposed memorandum of agreement. By entering into this agreement, the Sun'aq Tribe would potentially bring Federal funding to Kodiak to make improvements to these routes.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to authorize Memorandum of Agreement, City Record No. 242219, adding City of Kodiak routes to Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak's Tribal Transportation Program Route Inventory, and authorize the City Manager to sign the MOA on behalf of the City.

Councilmember Walker said he supports this agreement.

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

c. Recommendation of Appointment of City Applicant to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Three of the seven seats on the Planning and Zoning Commission are designated as City seats. There is currently one City seat that is vacant for a term to expire December 2019. An application was received from Mr. Joseph Delgado and he was interviewed by Deputy Mayor Arboleda and Councilmembers on Tuesday, May 7.

Councilmember Bishop MOVED to recommend Mr. Joseph Delgado for appointment to the vacant City seat on the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term ending December 2019.

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

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

Manager Tvenge profiled the Kodiak Public Library and stated that they have been in the process of cleaning and shifting the collection. He said there is new artwork in place and there is cleaned items from the old library, he said the library is very busy and they will be hosting many upcoming events, including the Apollo's 50th anniversary. He said the Garden Club has helped with the City's landscaping projects and thanked them for their support. He welcomed Josie Bahnke, the new Deputy City Manager; he said she was born and raised in Alaska. Ms. Bahnke comes to the City of Kodiak with 17 years of State, Local, and Tribal management experience. Josie served most recently as Director of the Division of Elections for the Walker Administration and prior to that was the City Manager of Nome for seven years. Throughout her career, she has been recognized for being a results-oriented and an effective team leader with a track record for building collaborative partnerships and establishing positive work relationships. She holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Portland State University and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Fort Hays State University. Manager Tvenge said Josie brings a great deal of local government experience to Kodiak and we are thrilled to have her on our leadership team.

b. City Clerk

Clerk Javier gave an overview of the upcoming meeting schedule work session, Fisheries Work Group, and regular and special meeting schedule.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Arboleda welcomed Josie to Kodiak and said it will be a busy month in May with festivities. She commented that it was heartwarming and humbling listening to contributions of individuals and agencies as demonstrated in the proclamations. She said cruise ships will be coming to Kodiak this year and looks forward to incoming funds to help the community. She thanked Discover Kodiak for their work.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Walker thanked Chief Mullican and the Fire department staff for the services they provide and he said he hopes to have a building for them in the near future. He said he was appreciative of the Senior Citizen services. He was pleased about the library. He welcomed the new Deputy City Manager Josie Bahnke and commented on the community activities including that Crab Festival will start on May 23. He welcomed Nova Javier and said she did a great job during the meeting. He reminded everyone to be bear aware within the community and encouraged people to be cautious of their trash.

Councilmember Haines thanked those in public service and the volunteers and stated it is important to acknowledge the individuals within the community. He encouraged boaters to have their safety checks. He welcomed Josie and stated he was pleased with the Sun'aq MOA and thanked Mr. Delgado for volunteering his time and service.

Councilmember Davidson welcomed Deputy City Manager Bahnke and thanked the police and fire departments and stated their service is very important. He said Crab Festival is near and it's a great time to socialize.

Councilmember Bishop commended Deputy Mayor Arboleda for her outstanding way of presiding over the meeting. He welcomed Josie as the new Deputy City Manager. He thanked the Fire Department's EMS crew for attending the meeting. He thanked the vendors for Crab Festival and he congratulated the high school and college graduates of 2019.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

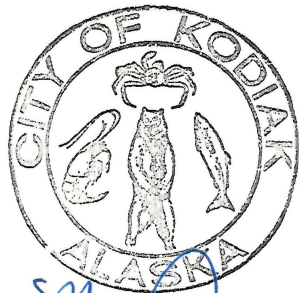
Nick Szabo, Kodiak Resident Agent via telephone shared that 30 cruise ships will be visiting Kodiak this year. He said he was impressed with the EMS crew that responded to an incident from the cruise ships and he thanked them for their service.

X ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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



CITY OF KODIAK

Pat Brown

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Nova M. Jamis
CITY CLERK

Minutes Approved: May 30, 2019