

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2019
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

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

Salvation Army Corps Sergeant Major Dave Blacketer gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2019, regular meeting, as presented.

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

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Proclamation: Filipino American National History Month

Councilmember Arboleda read this proclamation, which urged all citizens to celebrate the rich history and contributions of Filipino Americans in Kodiak.

Aida Llave accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Filipino American Association. She said October is recognized as the National History Month and it is a time to celebrate the Filipino contributions within the community. She appreciated the support and celebration from the Mayor and Council.

b. Public Comments

David Blacketer congratulated the store manager at the Salvation Army for recently attaining her U.S. citizenship. He commended those who get their US citizenship by going through the rigorous process.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Second Reading and Public Hearing, Ordinance No. 1390 Authorizing a Lease of Property Adjacent to Pier II With Petro Star, Inc. D/B/A North Pacific Fuel

Mayor Branson read Ordinance No. 1390 by title. Ordinance No. 1390 would authorize the City of Kodiak to lease a portion of Pier II uplands known as Van Rows 11 and 12 (easterly), to Petro Star Inc, D/B/A North Pacific Fuel. Petro Star has leased the parcel for five-year terms continuously since 1999 and desires to renew the lease for an additional five years. The current lease expired on July 30, 2019.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1390.

Mayor Branson closed the regular meeting and reopened the regular meeting when no one came forward to testify.

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Resolution No. 2019–19, In Support of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game’s Traditional and Historic Management of the Kodiak Salmon Fishery, and Maintaining the Location of the January 2020 Board of Fisheries Meeting in Kodiak**

Mayor Branson read Resolution No. 2019–19 by title. This resolution was proposed by the Salmon Work Group to the Kodiak Fisheries Work Group (FWG) on September 26, 2019. The resolution addresses two topics: The challenges by the Cook Inlet and Chignik fishermen to reduce or to shut down portions of the salmon fishery; and the expected attempt to have the Alaska Board of Fisheries meeting addressing Kodiak salmon issues currently scheduled in Kodiak to occur in Anchorage

Councilmember Arboleda MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2019–19.

Councilmember Whiddon stated approximately two years ago the Salmon Work Group was formed to work on behalf of Kodiak, which is funded by the City and Borough. He said there have been various threats to the Kodiak fisheries and this resolution specifically advocates to keep the Board of Fish (BOF) meeting in Kodiak and for Kodiak to retain the traditional fisheries of the area.

Councilmember Davidson thanked Councilmembers Whiddon and Haines for serving on the Fisheries Work Group.

Councilmember Haines thanked all individuals that attend and contribute to the Fisheries Work Group and he stated he supports the Salmon Work Group’s efforts.

Councilmember Whiddon clarified that the Fisheries Work Group does not engage in allocation issues; however, this resolution advocates for Kodiak fisherman and the community as a whole.

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

b. **Authorization to Purchase Radio System Upgrade from Motorola Solutions**

The City of Kodiak operates a VHF land mobile radio system utilizing Motorola equipment which was installed in 2005. The City owns six radio frequencies, which are utilized by the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department and the Harbor Master's Office. This also includes a frequency used by both Bayside and Women's Bay Fire Departments. In addition, the portable and vehicle radios used by the Police Department and Fire Department are Motorola, and the computer aided dispatch (CAD) software is owned by Motorola Solutions. This upgrade will replace like components with like components: it's not a completely new installation.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to authorize a purchase agreement with Motorola Solutions and City in an amount not-to-exceed \$399,623 for Gold Elite Dispatch Console equipment and implementation with funds coming from Project Number 4054 Gold Elite Dispatch Console; and not-to-exceed \$368,000 for Quantar Repeater and Voting Receiver equipment and implementation with funds coming from Project Number 4053 Quantar Repeater and Voting Receiver and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents on behalf of the City.

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

VI. STAFF REPORTS

a. City Manager

Manager Tvenge said the Parks and Recreation department has been busy preparing the indoor ice rink, which will open next week on Tuesday, October 15. He referred the public to the Parks and Recreation's Facebook page for more information. He shared that the radar speed indicator signs that flash at vehicles oncoming speed will be installed on Mission Road by the end of this month. He shared that there will be two signs installed along the roadway and he reminded everyone that the speed limit on Mission Road is 20 mph. He said the Monashka Reservoir is just 24 inches from being full. He shared that the low water stretch has caused a bit of turbidity or discoloring of the water but that will slowly disappear. He highlighted that Sewer Lift Stations 3 and 4 are operational as of last week. He shared that Gorman Rupp the manufacturer was in town for the startup and everything ran smoothly. He stated he was proud to announce that over the past three years they have replaced the four downtown lift stations and improved critical infrastructure.

b. City Clerk

Clerk Javier gave an overview of the upcoming work session and regular Council meetings. She highlighted the Fisheries Work Group schedule and said that October 18 is a holiday and the City offices will be closed.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Branson thanked the contributions of the Filipinos in the community. She highlighted that the City Manager's report noting it is very information and it is available on the City website.

She thanked outgoing Borough Mayor Rohrer for his contributions, availability, and public service to the community.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Walker thanked the City employees.

Councilmember Haines encouraged people to keep their garbage contained and to be bear aware.

Councilmember Davidson thanked the public for voting and encouraged citizens to vote. He referred to Pearson Brodie’s letter regarding use of public space for potential market space. Mayor Branson stated she asked Pearson Brodie to develop a proposal for Council consideration.

Councilmember Whiddon thanked Mayor Branson and Councilmember Davidson for their service and for running for reelection. He referred to the time he became an American citizen and he congratulated the individual in Dave Blacketer’s comments. He said that he works many Filipinos at his work site and said they are the fabric of the community. He provided a fish update regarding cod, Pollock, and halibut.

Councilmember Arboleda said she was excited about the Baranof multi-purpose facility design and she stated she has heard positive feedback. She thanked her parents for being positive role models and said she is proud to be a part of the Filipino community.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None

X ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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

CITY OF KODIAK

Sandra Arboleda
DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:

Thora M. Jan
CITY CLERK

Minutes Approved: October 24, 2019

