

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2010
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

Mayor Carolyn L. Floyd called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmembers Patricia B. Branson, Charles E. Davidson, Josefina F. Rosales, Thomas D. Walters, and John B. Whiddon were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmember Gabriel T. Saravia was absent. City Manager Aimée Kniazowski, City Clerk Debra L. Marlar, Finance Director Mary Munk, and Deputy Clerk Matthew D. Gandel were also present.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Salvation Army Sergeant Major Dave Blacketeer gave the invocation.

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilmember Walters MOVED to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2010, special meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Public Comments

Bonnie McDonald requested that the Council consider lowering the fee for a taxicab dispatch license.

Lawrence Anderson, Board of Directors, Senior Citizens of Kodiak, gave a report of the organization's recent activities.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution No. 2010–29, Creating a Happy Holiday Season by Establishing a Festive Spirit; Appropriating Voluntary and Reasonable, or Obligatory and Unreasonable, Sums From Everyone's Pay and Credit to Defer the Fiscal Obligations Thereof; and Containing a Severability Clause, an Indemnification Clause, and a Santa Claus**

Mayor Floyd read Resolution No. 2010–29 by title. In the spirit of the holiday season, Resolution No. 2010–29 creates a Department of Holiday Celebration and wishes a happy holiday season and prosperous new year to everyone in Kodiak.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2010–29.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

b. Resolution No. 2010–30, Authorizing Participation in the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development’s Library Construction and Major Expansion Matching Grant Program

Mayor Floyd read Resolution No. 2010–30 by title. The State of Alaska’s Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED), Division of Community and Regional Affairs (DCRA) oversees the State’s new Library Construction and Major Expansion Matching Grant program. Part of the application process requires the City to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of its application and participation in this matching grant program. Once adopted, Resolution 2010–30 will be included in the grant application packet that will be sent to DCCED/DCRA by the January 7, 2011, application deadline. This program will provide a 50% State grant match for the design and construction costs for the new Kodiak public library project.

Councilmember Rosales MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2010–30.

Councilmembers expressed appreciation for the hard work of the Kodiak Public Library Association, Foraker Group, Rasmuson Foundation, and City staff and noted that a new library would benefit all the people of Kodiak.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

c. Resolution No. 2010–31, Certifying the FY 2011 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program Application to Be True and Correct

Mayor Floyd read Resolution No. 2010–31 by title. Resolution No. 2010–31 certifies that the City of Kodiak’s FY11 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program application is true and correct. This resolution adopts the long-form using the standard method application for FY11. This is the tenth year that the long-form using the standard method application has been used.

Councilmember Walters MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2010–31.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

d. Authorization of Fridays Taxi Rules and Guidelines

Bonnie McDonald, holder of Taxicab Permit Nos. 1 and 25, has proposed to form a taxi dispatch service to dispatch her own cabs. The current version of the Kodiak City Code (KCC) does not provide for self-dispatch; however KCC 5.40.130 provides for the issuance of a dispatch service license. Before a dispatch service license is issued by the Police Department, KCC 5.40.150(b)

requires that the City Council review and approve all rules of operation under the license. The Chief of Police has reviewed the rules submitted by Ms. McDonald and has no objection to them. If the rules are approved by the Council, Ms. McDonald will submit the approved rules to the Police Department, along with the application required by KCC 5.40.130 and the dispatch service license fee required by the City's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

Councilmember Walters MOVED to approve the Fridays Taxi Dispatch rules and guidelines as submitted by Bonnie McDonald, dated November 20, 2010.

Councilmember Davidson notified Mayor Floyd that he had a conflict of interest, since he holds a taxicab permit; the Mayor excused him from voting.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Davidson was excused from voting. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

e. Appointment of Advisory Board Members

Several seats are or will soon become vacant on various City advisory boards. Except for the Personnel Board, whose members are appointed by the Council, and the Employee Advisory Board, whose members are elected by City employees, members of advisory boards are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

At Tuesday's work session, Councilmembers interviewed applicants and considered applications.

Mayor Floyd appointed Norman Clentimack and Larry Taylor to regular seats on the Building Code Board of Appeals, terms ending December 31, 2013. She appointed Richard Walker to a regular seat on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, term ending December 31, 2013. She appointed Ralph "Skip" Bolton and Stosh Anderson to regular seats on the Port and Harbors Advisory Board, terms ending December 31, 2013. She appointed David Jentry as first alternate and Daniel Miller as second alternate to seats on the Port and Harbor Advisory Board, terms ending December 31, 2011.

Councilmember Walters MOVED to appoint Pat Szabo to the Personnel Board for a term ending December 31, 2012, and confirm the Mayoral advisory board appointments to the Building Code Board of Appeals, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and the Port and Harbors Advisory Board as stated.

Councilmembers expressed appreciation to Advisory Board applicants for volunteering their time and hard work.

Councilmembers Branson and Whiddon expressed interest in opening up the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to non-City residents.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

f. Election of Deputy Mayor

Under the provisions of City Charter Article II, Section 2, the City Council shall elect one of its members as Deputy Mayor no sooner than thirty days, nor more than sixty days, from the beginning of the newly-elected Councilmembers' terms. The Deputy Mayor serves a one-year term and acts as Mayor in the Mayor's absence. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor, the Deputy Mayor serves until another Mayor is elected by the Council.

Councilmember Walters MOVED to elect the Deputy Mayor by a secret vote on paper ballot, provided that the first candidate to receive four affirmative votes be appointed for a one-year term, and further provided that if no candidate receives four affirmative votes in the first ballot, that the applicant with the fewest votes be removed from consideration on subsequent ballots, until a candidate receives four affirmative votes, and in the event of a tie, the Mayor will cast a vote.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Branson, Davidson, Rosales, Walters, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was absent. The motion passed.

Councilmember Saravia was elected on the third ballot.

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

Manager Kniazowski reminded the Council about the upcoming meeting with State Senator Gary Steven and Representative Alan Austerman to go over the upcoming legislative session and review the State CIP list.

She reminded the Council about the planning meeting scheduled for January 22, 2011.

She said the jail will reach substantial completing next week, but will still be waiting for all the furniture to arrive before it can be used. It should be move-in ready around January 10, 2011.

She reported that Bear Becker, a City employee at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, was recently named Wastewater Treatment Operator of the Year by the Alaska Rural Water Association.

She reported that the United States Senate had rejected a proposed ban on earmarks and reported that a bill requiring unionization for any city with a population over 5,000 was also rejected.

She notified the Council that the Kodiak Island Borough withdrew a request for rent increase for the City offices. She talked to the Borough Manager, and they will discuss the lease when it expires in June 2011.

She noted Councilmembers had toured some City departments this week but had run out of time to visit all the departments. Additional tours would be scheduled in the near future.

She reported that she attended the Kodiak Island Borough's Mayors Conferences last week, which gave a good overview of what's happening in the different communities on Kodiak.

She informed the Council that bids are due on December 17, 2010, for the UV treatment plant project.

She reported on the ongoing work for the library project, including settling land issues and working on the State grant application.

She reported on her attendance at the Chamber of Commerce Board Strategic Planning Session, which works to review whatever can be done by the Chamber to increase membership and ensure the quality of the services provided to its members.

She reported on her participation on the Kodiak Workforce Regional Advisory Council, which assesses local employment needs, and makes recommendations on how Kodiak High School and Kodiak College can offer courses to meet those needs.

She reminded the Council that she will be on personal leave the week of December 20th.

b. City Clerk

City Clerk Marljar welcomed Deputy Clerk Gandel, and informed the public of the next scheduled Council work session and regular meeting, as well as the work session with State legislators and a tentative upcoming Joint Work Session with the Kodiak Island Borough Assembly.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Floyd reported on her recent trips to the Alaska Municipal League and National League of Cities (NLC) conferences.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Branson congratulated Mayor Floyd on being nominated for the NLC Women in Municipal Government award. She expressed her appreciation to the City Manager, City Clerk, and staff for providing information and answering questions during her short tenure on the Council. She expressed her hope for the City and Borough to open up communication and discuss community needs. She wished everyone happy holidays.

Councilmember Walters said he appreciated the hard work on the library project completed by the Foraker Group, Rasmuson Foundation, and staff. He said that schoolchildren and the general public should make sure to have reflectors or flashlights when walking in the dark. He said he was glad the Borough had decided not to raise the City's rent. He said the Emergency Operations Center was a nice place to hold meetings, but that the limited parking was an issue. He warned the public about black ice at Deadman's Curve, and stated that he hopes the State Department of Transportation will put up LED warning signs. He welcomed Deputy Clerk Gandel.

Councilmember Rosales expressed her appreciation for the good work by City departments. She reported that at the NLC conference, many people expressed concerns about their budget deficits, and she appreciated the hard work done by Finance Director Munk and Manager Kniazowski. She welcomed Deputy Clerk Gandel.

Councilmember Whiddon welcomed Councilmember Branson and thanked Lawrence Anderson for attending the meeting and helping Kodiak's senior citizens. He said the tour of City facilities gave him a good look behind the scenes and said he was impressed with professionalism of City staff. He thanked Fire Chief Kamai and Lt. Jim Mullican from the Kodiak Fire Department for assisting with an accident on Shelikof Street. He said he would like to include discussion of the Fisheries Advisory position on the upcoming Joint Work Session agenda and work with the Borough to develop a job description for the position. He said that cod season starts on January 1, 2011, and everyone is expecting a good season. He wished everyone a merry Christmas and happy holidays.

Councilmember Davidson welcomed Deputy Clerk Gandel. He said his trips to the AML and NLC conferences reminded him how fortunate we are to be able to develop our own infrastructure, instead of relying on a larger regional area, and said that everyone he spoke to at the NLC conference was impressed that Kodiak is on schedule to be 95% green by 2020. He stated that Kodiak's utility costs are very reasonable compared to the rest of the country. He wished everyone a merry, joyous, and safe holiday season.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Floyd adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

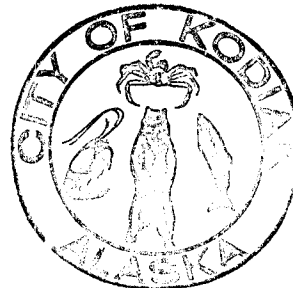
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MAYOR

ATTEST:

Debra Martin
CITY CLERK



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