

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF KODIAK
HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2014
IN THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS**

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

Mayor Pat Branson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Councilmembers Charles E. Davidson, Terry J. Haines, Gabriel T. Saravia, Richard H. Walker, and John B. Whiddon were present and constituted a quorum. Councilmember Randall C. Bishop was absent. City Manager Aimée Kniazowski, City Clerk Debra L. Marlar, and Deputy Clerk Michelle Shuravloff-Nelson were also present.

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

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2014, special meeting as presented.

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

III. PERSONS TO BE HEARD

a. Proclamation: Stalking Awareness Month

Mayor Branson read the proclamation, which acknowledges stalking as a serious crime and applauds the efforts of victim service providers, police officers, prosecutors, national and community organizations, and private sector supporters for their efforts in assisting victims and promoting awareness about stalking.

Sandra Wilkins accepted the proclamation for the Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center and thanked the Mayor and Council for their support.

b. Public Comments

Joe Dinnocenzo, member of the Kodiak Chapter of the Farm Bureau, requested support for the reinstatement of a full-time cooperative extension agent in Kodiak. He said he collected signatures on a petition for support of funding and has given it to legislators. He stated the Kodiak Island Borough recently approved a support resolution, and he asked the Council to consider adopting a City resolution. He indicated his goal was to demonstrate broad community support for the reinstatement of the agent.

Roland Ruoss, President of Seahawk Air, Inc. said he was present because of the Trident Basin fund deficit article that was published in the newspaper. He said after reviewing the article, he scheduled time with the City Finance Director to explain the deficit, which he learned was large-

ly due to depreciation. He said a significant investment was made in Trident Basin over the last ten years. He said he appreciates the City's financial contribution and would be available to help work on resolving the deficit. He expressed appreciation for the facility and said it improves the businesses within the area. He acknowledged Herman Beukers for setting up Trident Basin years ago.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Second Reading, Ordinance No. 1314, Authorizing Lease No. 211696 Between the City of Kodiak and ACS of the Northland, Inc. for Pillar Mountain Communication Site No. 10

Mayor Branson read Ordinance No. 1314 by title. Alaska Communications Systems of the Northland (formerly PTI Communications) has maintained a lease for the Pillar Mountain communication Site No. 10 with the City since at least the mid-1990s. ACS wishes to renew the lease for five years with the same terms. Council passed Ordinance No. 1314 in the first reading at their January 16 meeting and advanced it to second reading and public hearing at this meeting.

Councilmember Haines MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1314.

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

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. First Reading, Ordinance No. 1315, Establishing Supplemental Appropriation No. 1 to the Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the First Day of July 2013 and Ending on the Thirtieth Day of June 2014

Mayor Branson read Ordinance No. 1315 by title. Supplemental appropriation No. 1 to the budget for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of July 2013 and ending on the thirtieth day of June 2014 is in the amount of \$1,472,180. It is customary for the City Council to approve at least one supplemental budget annually to authorize the adjustments of current revenues and expenses. 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. This is the first budget amendment of FY2014.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to pass Ordinance No. 1315 in the first reading and advance to second reading and public hearing at the next regular or special Council meeting.

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

b. Resolution No. 2014-06, Adopting the Federal Fiscal Year 2014 Prioritized Federal Capital Improvements Program List

Mayor Branson read Resolution No. 2014-06 by title. Each year the City identifies capital improvement projects important to the maintenance and/or improvement of the City's infrastructure, as well as issues that are important to the City or larger community. The Council reviewed and discussed a list of proposed federal requests at the January 14 and January 21 work sessions and indicated support for the projects and issues as listed. Resolution No. 2014-06 reflects that list, which staff and the City's federal lobbyist recommend for approval.

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2014-06.

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

c. Resolution No. 2014-07, Certifying the FY2014 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program Application to Be True and Correct

Mayor Branson read Resolution No. 2014-07 by title. Resolution No. 2014-07 certifies that the City of Kodiak's FY2014 Shared Fisheries Business Tax Program application is true and correct. This resolution adopts the long form using the standard method application for FY2014. This is the thirteenth year that the long form has been used.

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 2014-07.

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

d. Authorization of Lease With MorphoTrust USA, Inc. for Office Space at 411 Marine Way

MorphoTrust USA, Inc, the local TWIC contractor, requested a two-year lease for the office space at 411 Marine Way, the downtown restroom building, effective from January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2015. MorphoTrust has occupied this space since early last summer with a short-term lease. The space meets MorphoTrust USA needs, and the office is open two days weekly for TWIC enrollment. The Kodiak Maritime Museum, which previously held the lease, withdrew its plan to establish an exhibit in this space.

Councilmember Haines MOVED to authorize a two-year lease between the City of Kodiak and MorphoTrust USA for the lease of the office space located at 411 Marine Way for the purpose of TWIC card enrollment and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

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

e. Acceptance of the FY2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (Audit)

Each year the City Council retains a qualified accounting firm to perform an annual audit of the City's financial records and accounting practices. The City Charter and the City Code require the Council to accept the comprehensive annual financial report, which has been done by motion.

Councilmember Walker MOVED to accept the City's Fiscal Year 2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

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

VI. STAFF REPORTS

a. City Manager

Manager Kniazowski said she has been working with Ray Gillespie to determine the types of appointments that will be scheduled when in Juneau for the February 27, 2014, legislative reception. She encouraged Councilmembers to attend and to participate in the meetings.

Manager Kniazowski acknowledged the full stand up of the Emergency Operation Center (EOC) on Friday, January 17, 2014, to respond to the heavy rains and mudslides. She thanked the various participants, including the Kodiak Island Borough, which fully participated in the effort.

Manager Kniazowski acknowledged the work of the Kodiak Police department in response to two large drug arrests recently.

She said that the design drawings are going well with the Pier III project. She said it was crucial to retain funding for the Aleutian homes Phase V and the Monashka Pumphouse projects to keep the schedule on target.

Manager Kniazowski indicated that the Council planning work session has been moved to Saturday, February 1, 2014, from February 8, 2014, due to a conflict with the grand opening of the long-term care center. She said the joint work session is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2014, in the Borough Assembly Chambers.

Manager Kniazowski said she, KIB Manager Bud Cassidy, and KANA representatives met with the State Economist from the Department of Labor at the request of Rebecca Skinner. She indicated the information will be compiled and brought to the Council when it is completed.

She said that James Brooks with the Kodiak Daily Mirror is leaving Kodiak and he will be missed.

b. City Clerk

City Clerk Marljar informed the public of the next scheduled Council work session and regular and special meetings. She confirmed that a quorum of the Council was available to attend the February 1, 2014, planning work session.

Clerk Marlar expressed her appreciation to James Brooks.

VII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Branson thanked Deputy Mayor Saravia for filling in during her absence. She thanked James Brooks and wished him well in his professional career. She said she was pleased with the audit and City finances, specifically turning around the deficit. She congratulated the Kodiak Police department for its recent drug arrests and stated illegal drugs should not be tolerated in the community. She thanked those that responded to the emergency response last week, and said she was pleased that there were trained individuals that responded.

Mayor Branson said the Downtown Kodiak Revitalization Special Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 27, 2014, at 5 p.m. at the Senior Center. She said the committee will discuss the priorities they would like to bring to the Council in the future. She also announced the Fisheries Work Group will meet on Monday, January 27, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. in the Borough conference room.

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Saravia welcomed Mayor Branson back and thanked James Brooks for his service to the community and said he hopes Mr. Brooks has accepted a good and profitable job. He thanked Chief Wallace and staff for their service to the community. He said he was pleased with the Emergency Center and the staff response. He gave a fishing update.

Councilmember Whiddon welcomed Mayor Branson back to Kodiak. He thanked Finance Director Munk for her work with the City finances. He stated he appreciated the Kodiak Police department for their work and the arrests they made recently. He said he is interested in exploring a community meeting in the future because of the drug issues within the community.

Councilmember Davidson said he was very pleased with the City finances and happy the auditors confirmed that it was a good financial year for the City. He congratulated the Kodiak Police department for successfully dealing with the drug activities that many communities in Alaska face. He thanked James Brooks for his thorough reporting at the local newspaper.

Councilmember Haines said he was very excited about the financial report and thanked Finance Director Munk. He stated he supports the TWIC office. He is also a supporter of the Peggy Dyson exhibit. He commented he wished the fishing tax benefited Kodiak in a more direct manner. He said that James Brooks did excellent writing while he was in Kodiak, which has enhanced the understanding of the community activities for the public, and he wished him well in his future endeavors.

Councilmember Walker thanked Deputy Mayor Saravia for filling in for Mayor Branson. He thanked the City employees and the Clerk's Office for their assistance. He thanked James Brooks and said he will be missed. He urged the public to ask questions about community activities but to be cautious of spreading misinformation. He offered prayers to Mark Kozak and his family during his surgery.

IX. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

None

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. City Manager's Evaluation

Councilmember Whiddon MOVED to enter into executive session as authorized by Kodiak City Code Section 2.04.100(b)(2) to conduct the City Manager's annual performance evaluation.

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

The Council entered executive session at 8:17 p.m.

Councilmember Saravia left the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

The regular meeting reconvened at 10 p.m.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Davidson MOVED to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was Councilmembers Davidson, Haines, Walker, and Whiddon in favor. Councilmember Saravia was not present. Councilmember Bishop was absent. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.



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Pat Mann

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK