

City of Aniak
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Aniak City Office
Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 6:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order-** Mayor D.Bonanno called the meeting to order at 7:04pm
- II. Roll Call-** DBonanno-P, SCharles-AE, AFolz-P, AMorgan- P (teleconf.line), CMorgan- P (teleconf.line) , LSeavey- P
Staff Present: LKameroff- P, MMorgan- P No other members of the public were present.
- III. Approval of Agenda-** Motion made by A.Folz to approve agenda-Motion 2nd by L.Seavey. Agenda approved.
- IV. Public Participation**
 - A. CDBG Project Proposals-Program Overview-Proposed Projects- City Manager L.Kameroff had a sign in sheet for all attendees and welcomed everyone to the meeting. She explained the CDBG Program using the CDBG Application Workshop 2025 Program Overview slide that was used at the CDBG application workshop held in October. The slide explained the CDBG program, which included general information, national objectives, and priorities. It also discussed the three project categories: planning, community development, and special economic development with examples of projects for each category, as well as ineligible projects. The council discussed the grant possibilities and what we can apply for in the future. C.Morgan asked if we can use this grant to apply for new streetlights. L.Kameroff replied that she is talking with L.Simeon with the ATC tribe regarding the streetlights. Mayor D.Bonanno and present council thanked Lenore for her presentation for the CDBG program and would be beneficial for the city in many ways.
- V. Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - A. October 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes- Motion made by A.Folz to approve the meeting minutes as presented, motion seconded by L.Seavey.
- VI. Reports**
 - A. Mayor Report-D. Bonanno- Mayor D.Bonanno started off with the monthly Sewer Raffle for customers that make payments. The first winner of a Flashlight and Smoke detector is Emily Peterson; second winner of a \$30 AC gift card is Barbara Morgan. He reported that he attended the ATC meeting and it went well. He also mentioned the Fire Department Community meeting that he hopes we can build on it. He also brought up a community concern regarding road safety and easement issues. Possibly looking into mirrors or some other equipment to help with visual issues on that road.
 - B. Aniak Vol. Fire Dept.-Report on Community Meeting RE:Fire Station winter operations- LKameroff went over the Community Meeting held on November 5th at 110pm. LKameroff and DBonanno went over expenses, maintenance issues and why the council is discussing shutting down the fire station this winter. The urgent need for volunteers. How meetings are held, how the Fire Chief and others are selected, grants available to help with operations and possibly maintenance on the building. We did have sign-up sheets for volunteers and posted them in various locations in Aniak, and we received a few signatures. LKameroff is also talking with LSimeon at the ATC Tribe regarding the storage of their Water truck in the fire station and how the tribe may be able to help. The SAFER Grant application website shows that they received our application, but there is no other update. They may be catching up from the government shutdown. There were also no fires reported this month. Council discussed what we should do next? If the public is being informed and what are their other concerns? We do have more discussion later in the meeting under Resolutions.
 - C. Public Works - M.Morgan- He has a written report included in the meeting packet. Other report information included by his verbal report, the Lift Station by the Community Hall is currently down, and we are working with Bruce Werba to get it resolved. L. Kameroff informed the council that B.Werba is

the YKHC Remote Maintenance Worker for our Sewer Utility. She also stated that he will be here in town to discuss and determine what the best course of action may be to get it up and running again. B. Werba suggested we may be able to file a claim with the power company due to the Lift Station being down right after a power outage, but they will know more once he is able to inspect the equipment.

D. Financial Report & City Manager Report-L.Kameroff- Council reviewed the Financial Report as presented. LKameroff pointed out the Community Revenue Sharing funds received this month as well as the miscellaneous expenses under Admin (return of unused OWL Grant funds). A motion was made by A.Folz to approve the financial report and was seconded by LSeavey. October 2025 financial report was approved. I held a Staff Meeting on November 7th and went over our holiday schedules, the days I would be out of the office due to travel and training for the Bulk Fuel Capacity training, when timesheets were due, and when our next council meeting is scheduled. We also discussed the Fire Dept Community meeting that was held and what our next steps will be after the council meeting, as well as the safety and reflective gear they have for winter operations. I spoke with C. McConnell from Alaska Energy Authority today for an update. We are currently still in Phase I and gathering information from the meeting to assess what the capacity needs are for Aniak and who are the major stakeholders. That would allow them to determine our options. Once I get more information, I will let you know. A.Folz had questions regarding interest from the ATC Tribe about the Fuel Tank Farm. L.Kameroff replied that she is still discussing options and partnerships with their Administrator L.Simeon. But due to the grant requirements, it would be up to AEA to determine ownership. Discussion ensued regarding the best location for tank farm development. L.Kameroff response was, once they determine what our community needs are, then they would be able to determine who would be operating and where it would be located. There are many types and sizes of fuel tanks, and that would determine how large an area would be needed. L.Kameroff and M.Morgan will begin looking into what land the City of Aniak has available for next discussions. I have also been talking with L.Simeon about the Tribal Transportation program and if the Tribe would be able to get more streetlights under that grant. That is how we received the streetlights we currently have. The previous agreement we had was stating the Tribe would purchase and have them installed; the city agreed to keep them maintained and pay the electric bill for them. For any maintenance or replacement, costs would be split between the city and the tribe, including the cost of electricity. This has not been done due to no signed agreement by the tribe, and no billing has ever been done. But there must have been an agreement due to the Tribe using sections of our roads on their inventory. We have also been talking about the Fire Station and what it takes to operate and maintain. I would also like to talk with her about their EPA/IGAP Program. There is so much they can do to help with our landfill and the planning process, design and mapping of the area, informing the public about what is expected and what to do with burnable waste next year. The last thing on my list is my personal time off from work. The council discussed the leave request and approved it.

VII. New Business

A. Resignation Seat B-2 Year Term-N.Kelila- Motion made by A.Folz to accept N.Kelila's resignation letter. The motion was seconded by L.Seavey. All present councils have approved. Seat B for a 2-year term is now vacant, as well as the Vice Mayor position. C.Morgan suggested that we use the last election write-ins and appoint a council member from there. All present councils approved of that suggestion, and L.Kameroff will find out if any other write-ins are interested in filling the position.

B. Election of Officers-Vice Mayor-Certificates of Election-Employment & New Council Member Packets discussion- Mayor D.Bonanno opened the floor for discussion of Election of Officers for Vice Mayor. A motion was made by C.Morgan to nominate L.Seavey for Vice Mayor, seconded by A.Folz. L.Seavey accepted nomination and all council approved in one motion. Congratulations, Lisa! ~ L.Kameroff then gave the new/returning council members the Oath of Office and had them sign the Certificate of Election forms. L.Kameroff also had an additional packet for the council members, and in it included copies of: A Primer for City Council Members, and Organizational Chart, Ordinance chapters 2 and 6, as well as the Employee Handbook and all documents for new employees, and additionally, a section from Title 29 Municipal Powers and Duties and Robert's Rules of Order Quick Study sheet for reference when necessary. She also included the Council Member Update form with W-2 and I-9 to complete our files.

Motion made by L.Seavey to take a 5–10-minute break, motion seconded by D.Bonanno. We went on a break at 8:10pm. Motion made by L.Seavey to go back into session, motion seconded by A.Folz. Council approved motion and was back into session at 8:17pm

- C. Draft MOA with the Aniak Traditional Council-Storage of Water Truck-Discussion-L.Kameroff informed the council that she has been talking with L.Simeon at the ATC tribe and she (L.Simeon), would like to see more information on the expenses it incurs every year. Mainly the fuel costs, electricity, and maintenance.
- D. Resolution 25-11 Authority to Participate in 2nd Solicitation of the CDBG Grant Program- Mayor D.Bonanno opened the floor for discussion on the CDBG Program. L.Kameroff thanked everyone for participating in the Program Overview during Public Participation and read outload the Resolution 25-11 for discussion. She reiterated the funding limits, the project categories, and why we are proposing to apply for a new Water Truck under this grant. She also stated that we could use this time to review other project ideas to apply for next year. This equipment request would be beneficial for our Landfill due to us receiving a new #20 Burn Cage unit next spring by having a reliable water source to use in the event of a fire at the Landfill while the burn cage is in use. She also went over the required appendix packet. Council Member C.Morgan asked if this could be used for streetlights? L.Kameroff stated that she is working with the Tribe on that. Council had no other questions or discussions. A motion was made by L.Seavey to approve Resolution 25-11 to approve of Authority to Participate in 2nd Solicitation of the CDBG Grant Program. The motion was seconded by A.Folz. All council present approved.
- E. Resolution 25-12 A Resolution to Close Down the Fire Station for the Winter months- Mayor D.Bonanno opened the floor for discussion on the Closure of the Fire Station for the winter months. Discussion ensued about communications with the Aniak Traditional Council on partnership operations and maintenance, concerns from the council and public members in the event of a closure, and what and how we have been working the Fire Station at this time. A motion was made by A.Folz to defer Resolution 25-12 until towards the end of this fiscal year due to the fire station in the current budget, motion was seconded by C.Morgan. All present council approved.

VIII. Old Business

- A. Approval Bids for Liquidated Equipment-Discussion of remaining Equipment/Vehicles- M.Morgan went over the sale of the dozer and dump truck with their perspective bids on Govdeals.com Winning bids were won by William Wilson. M.Morgan also discussed the Nisson admin vehicle and that we may be able to purchase a new engine for it. It would cost about \$5-7,000, which may include shipping costs. LKameroff stated that we should be able to find the \$\$\$ in our budget from various places if approved and the price is right. Council approved of getting quotes for the Nisson and will determine if it is feasible once we have firm numbers.
- B. Office Space Rental-Old Library and Old Office Buildings & Repairs -Discussion- L.Kameroff informed the council about the St. Teresa Catholic Church lease agreement that expired in August 2025 and that the Church would not want a Sub-Lease on their property. We will need to update our lease agreement of move the building off the property. Council determined that we will renew the lease agreement and decide what we will be doing with the building. Discussion regarding the old office- Council discussed our current options and opted to leave the building as is for now, until we are able to decide what we can do with the library equipment.
- C. Executive Session-Personnel Issues- Motion made by L.Seavey to go into executive session at 9:08pm. Motion 2nd by A.Folz all approved. Motion made by L.Seavy to go back into regular session at 9:36pm, motion 2nd by C.Morgan. All approved.

IX. Council Comments- No council comments at this time

X. Time and Place of Next Meeting- December 17, 2025 Regular Council Meeting at 6pm

XI. Adjourn- Motion made by L.Seavey to adjourn the meeting at 9:42pm, 2nd by C.Morgan. All approved.

Attested by:

Mayor David Bonanno *Signed: Date*

City Manager Lenore Kameroff *Signed: Date*