

City of Aniak
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Teleconference
Friday, September 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

Virtual Meeting Information:

*To Participate please call 1-800-315-6338
Conference Code- 54481#*

- I. Call to Order-** Meeting called to order by Mayor Dave Bonanno at 6:14pm
- II. Roll Call-** AMorgan-A/P (called in at 7:19pm), ALeary-P (teleconf.), CMorgan-P, DBonanno-P, CERik-P
Staff Present: LKiana, LKameroff, MSimeon, CLang
- III. Approval of Agenda-** Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2023 is not in meeting packet. Motion to move to next months meeting agenda made by CE, 2nd by AL. Amended agenda motion to approve by CM, 2nd by AL. Amended agenda approved by quorum.
- IV. Public Participation-** None
- V. Previous Meeting Minutes**
~~August 17, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes~~—Removed and put on next regular meeting agenda
- VI. Reports**
- A. Mayor Report- D. Bonanno- Written Report- Talking with Vitus regarding Bulk Fuel order. Logistics on getting fuel to buildings etc. Kuspuk School District staff agreed to use their fuel truck to deliver to buildings, Public Works guys will drive the Fuel Tank to top off. Called and spoke with Fire Marshall's office and gave details on recent house fire. Asked Public Works dept. for any more household fire extinguishers, we will get them out to those in need. Dave also thanked the public works dept. for grading the roads for the first day of school. Sent out thank you card to previous Public Works Director Greg Hager. Posted a new sign for Office hours. He's been working on the Rental building since Napiamute moved out. Cleaned out refrigerator, bathroom and prepped for painting.
- B. Aniak Volunteer Fire Department - L. Kiana- No current fires reported. Informed that Aniak Traditional Council will have the Fire Station on their next agenda. Will keep council updated.
- C. Public Works - C. Lang/S. Simeon/F. Vaska- Written report. Landfill working out, pushing back every day. Sewer working fine, need to look at airport lift station for a short in the electrical lines. Budgeting our fuel usage until our fuel gets here. Received the Bobcat T770 and are reading up on the manuel, will be ordering oil, filters etc.
- D. Library - L. Kiana/L. Kameroff- We will be posting new Librarian signs for vacancy. PLA state grant application was submitted at the end of August and it was approved for FY24 funding of \$7,000-wages, supplies.
- E. City Clerk- M. Simeon- Continuing reaching out to the public to get the Adopt an Elder Program started up again. Would like to see more elders and community members signed up. Will be leaving on the 18th of this month and will be back after the new year.
- F. Bookkeeper/Financial Statement - L. Kameroff- All bank balances are low. Still waiting for our Revenue Sharing funds. I won't be able to attend training at the end of this month due to no staff available in the office to help run elections. Stephen and Francis will be attending a training for Small Wastewater in Fairbanks to keep our certification for our sewer utility. I will try to have a list of current open grants at next month's meeting. Public Works Director position opening. Would like to review job duties to include more office work and over see the public works dept.

Council reviewed Financial report and CERik made a motion to approve FY24 August Financial Report, motion 2nd by CMorgan. All approved.

- G. City Manager - L. Kiana Verbal Report (All Pending Issues)- Submitted report from Anita Erikson, DEC regarding drinking water, solid waste for council to review. CDBG Grant update, proposals will be opening shortly. We can get \$850,000 for either the Elder Center or the Library at this time. CDGB Grant specialist stated that the library or elder center must be completed and occupiable at the end of grant, which is not feasible unless we get more grant funding. Council approved to cost of just the library addition at this time. LKiana will work with Architects of Alaska and will do more assessments to the possibility of the library portion at this time.

VII. Old Business

- A. Rental Office- Napiamute vacated rental unit on August 30th. They are still using the connex for storage until the end of October. Asked about the security deposit. Council suggested a flat rate of \$200 a month fee for use of connex. Have not heard if Aniak is approved for a VPSO at this time. Discussion ensued about moving the office to rental building and the library elder center in the main office. Will be looking into if this is feasible.
- B. State DOT Lease Agreement Update- State of Alaska DOT requested more pictures of City Shop premises. Once submitted will move forward on lease agreement.
- C. Evaluation-City Manager- Council discussed City Manager position. Council requested LKiana to return to Aniak for work due to less staff in office and working remotely is not working as they planned. LKiana requested the Council to approve his Letter of Resignation submitted in July and stated he would not feel comfortable returning to Aniak. Council requested LKiana take more time to think about the position and let them know at the next regular meeting.

VIII. New Business

- A. Elections- LKameroff gave the council an update on seats A, B, C, D openings. Election will be held on October 3rd, 2023 and follow up with a special meeting to go over results on October 6th. Swearing in new council will be at the next regular meeting.

IX. Executive Session- Not taken. Discussion regarding staff issues.

X. Time and Place of Next Meeting

October 6th, 2023 Certify 2023 Election Results 6pm

XI. Adjourn- Motion made by CERik to adjourn. Motion 2nd by ALeary. Meeting adjourned at 9:01pm

Attested:

Mayor David W. Bonanno *Signed: Date*

Finance Director L. Kameroff *Signed: Date*