



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND WORKSHOP
Wednesday, December 18, 2024, at 8:00 PM

MINUTES

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MEETING INFORMATION

SECOND AMENDED AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS / 8:00 p.m.
141 Main Street, Dillingham, AK 99576 (907) 842-5212

A Council Workshop on Prioritization was held at 7:27 PM in the Council Chambers.

A City Council Regular Meeting was held in the Council chambers on December 18th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER by the Mayor at 8:06 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby asked that the Roll be called by the clerk.

Present: Kaleb Westfall, Michael Bennett, Bert Luckhurst, Curt Armstrong,

(via ZOOM) Kevin McCambly; Steven Carriere was excused but joined via ZOOM at 8:40 PM

Council members present and a quorum established. (*a quorum being four*)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

11/07/2024 Regular Council Meeting

Motion: Kaleb Westfall

Second: Bert Luckhurst

Discussion: Michael Bennett moved to postpone approval; Kaleb Westfall 2nd; unanimous approval, motion carried to postpone.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – N/A**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Dan Decker recommended the Executive Session be deleted.

MOTION TO DELETE EXECUTIVE SESSION by BERT LUCKHURST; 2nd by Curt Armstrong

ROLL CALL VOTE YEA: Bert Luckhurst, Curt Armstrong

VOTE NO: Kaleb Westfall, Steven Carriere, Kevin McCambly. Motion failed

MOTION TO MOVE Resolution 2024-48 to later in the meeting by Michael Bennett; 2nd by Kaleb Westfall; unanimous approval, motion carried.

MOTION to approve agenda by Michael Bennett; 2nd by Kaleb Westfall, unanimous approval, motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS**Manager's Report**

- Dan Decker stated that Sgt. Nichols is pursuing a K-9 Narcotics Detection grant.
- PFAS test kits for the Lake Road fire station are on the way.

Staff Reports

Public Works Director, Phillip Baumgartner, reported the Windmill Hill sewer lift station had frozen after experiencing rocks in the pump station system.

CRW engineering is conducting a structural evaluation of cracks at the City Hall Building. Phillip assured the council that the building was sound.

Philip stated that new locks and doors were needed at the Police, Library & Museum.

Chief of Police, Tracy Omalley, reported a “lockdown” at Kananak Hospital due to children playing on a phone.

Planning Director, Chris Maines, is seeking letters of interest from community members to fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission

Committee Reports

Curt Armstrong provided a report on the Budget & Finance Committee.

Committee Appointments: None

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS – None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Bennett asked why the retired Lake Road Firehall garage door panels were simply left in the driveway and not auctioned to the public.

Councilman McCambly questioned if CRW was the most cost effective and feasible for the city. Phillip Baumgartner stated that CRW is providing an integral service.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-48: A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM AUTHORIZING CRW ENGINEERING TO DESIGN AN HVAC PACKAGE FOR CITY HALL AND PROVIDE A SITE VISIT AND REPORT FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING HVAC.

MOTION TO APPROVE by Bert Luckhurst; 2nd by Kaleb Westfall; unanimous approval, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 49: A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZING PHIL AND EMILY HULETT AND THEIR CHILDREN FOR THEIR POSITIVE COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION IN BUILDING AND HOSTING THE PALLET MAZE EVENT FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN OCTOBER.

MOTION TO APPROVE by Michael Bennett; 2nd by Kaleb Westfall; unanimous approval, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-50: A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION METHOD FOR THE FY25 SHARED FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX PROGRAM AND CERTIFYING THAT THIS ALLOCATION METHOD FAIRLY REPRESENTS THE DISTRIBUTION OF SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS OF FISHERIES BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN FMA 5: BRISTOL BAY AREA

MOTION TO APPROVE by Kaleb Westfall; 2nd by Michael Bennett; unanimously approved, motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ruby described an alternative "Fish Tax". Anita Foran, Finance Director, explained that the city receives these monies on an annual basis.

Unanimous approval, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-51: A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTENDING THE CONTRACT WITH CRW ENGINEERING FOR ONE ADDITIONAL VOTED YEAR.

MOTION TO APPROVE by Kaleb Westfall; 2nd by Bert Luckhurst.

DISCUSSION: Dan Decker asked for a one-year contract extension, as there were no other bids. Kevin McCambly objected to going around the public bidding process.

Unanimous approval, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-52: A RESOLUTION OF THE DILLINGHAM CITY COUNCIL AWARDING ADMINISTRATIVE TIME OFF TO CITY EMPLOYEES FOR DECEMBER 24TH AND DECEMBER 31ST, 2024, AS A GIFT IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEAR

MOTION TO APPROVE by Michael Bennett; 2nd by Kaleb Westfall

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

City Manager Recruitment Update

The Council requested a draft of steps to follow and a review of all 16 applications during the January 07, 2025 council workshop.

NEW BUSINESS

CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

Gregg Marxmiller addressed the council regarding public accessibility on Zoom.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Michael Bennett made a motion asking that a workshop be scheduled in January for public input on subdivisions, zoning and the two lots.

Seconded by Kaleb

Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Bert Luckhurst made a motion suggesting that city employees also be given turkeys or hams.

Seconded by Kaleb.

Unanimous approval of motion, motion carried.

Kevin thanked Gregg for his comments.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Invite Alaska State Representative Bryce Edgmon to attend the January Council Meeting or Workshop.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The following subjects may be discussed in an Executive Session, from which the public is excluded:

- a. Subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTE SESSION made by Kaleb Westfall; 2nd by Bert Luckhurst, unanimous approval, motion carried at 10:18 PM

MOTION TO LEAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION made by Kaleb Westfall; 2nd by Michael Bennett; unanimous approval. Motion carried at 11:16 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby called adjournment of the meeting at 11:17 PM.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Legislative process
- Deed approach to local contributions
- AML Prop Tax work plan and school contributions

Mayor Alice Ruby

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

Abigail Flynn, Acting City Clerk

Approval Date: _____