



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM

### MINUTES

#### CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, June 16, 2022, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers and via video conferencing, in Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The meeting was preceded by a workshop on the FY23 budget.

#### ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

Council members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being four):

Michael Bennett	Perry Abrams	Chris Napoli
Curt Armstrong	Kaleb Westfall	Aksel Buholm

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of June 2, 2022, Regular Council Meeting

MOTION: Aksel Buholm moved and Chris Napoli seconded the motion to approve the June 2, 2022, council meeting minutes.

VOTING Yea: Council Member Napoli, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

2. Adopt **Resolution 2022-20**; A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Commending Jean Barrett For His Years of Service To The City of Dillingham

MOTION: to move Adoption of Resolution 2022-20 to item 6 under Ordinance and Resolutions, made by Aksel Buholm.

There were no objections.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION to approve the amended agenda made by Aksel Buholm, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

VOTING Yea: Council Member Napoli, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm

#### STAFF REPORTS

3. Legislative Report - Representative Bryce Edgmon
  - Session ended 18<sup>th</sup> of May.
  - Oil prices have gone up significantly. Increased revenue for State, PFD approved at \$3,200.
  - School and DOC have increased funding. Community Assistance is fully funded.

- School Bond Debt Reimbursement will be funded at 100% this year. Legislature approved back funding for three years, this item has not yet been approved by the Governor.
  - A state Federal Infrastructure office is being set up to administer the Federal Infrastructure Act funds. Blue Book, cliff notes for programs and agencies regarding funding.
  - A Capital Budget is in this years budget and will be used for deferred maintenance and school construction maintenance.
  - PCE hours have been increased to 750 kwh.
  - Broadband office and advisory board have been established. Getting high speed, reliable broadband should not be deterred by money.
  - Recommended to invite the DOT Director and/or the Infrastructure Coordinator from the Dunleavy Administration to address funding and inflation.
4. City Manager Report
- Attended the Pebble Mine workshop and EPA hearing.
  - Visited with the Tribal Council.
  - Metal section at the landfill is still smoldering. The metal pile is under observation. There is no timeline on when it this section will reopen. DEC and the Insurance Company have been notified.
  - Wildfire is approximately 9 miles away. Masks are available at the city, tribal council building and the hospital. The state is working on suppression.
  - City property project; process to clarify records and identify ownership, and determine valuation continues. Planning Director thanked for work done to date.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Ordinance 2022-05; An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Adopting the Budget Appropriating Funds for the FY2023 City of Dillingham Budget

There were no comments.

## CITIZEN'S COMMENTS (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

There were no comments.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

6. Adopt **Resolution 2022-20**; A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Commending Jean Barrett For His Years of Service To The City of Dillingham
- MOTION: to adopt Resolution 2022-20 made by Aksel Buholm, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.
- VOTING Yea: Council Member Napoli, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm
- Jean Barrett was presented with a plaque to commemorate his time with the city.
- Stated float arms need to be replaced to keep the harbor viable.
  - Noted the importance of the harbor to the community.
7. Adopt **Ordinance 2022-05**; An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Adopting the Budget Appropriating Funds for the FY2023 City of Dillingham Budget
- MOTION: to adopt Ordinance 2022-05 made by Aksel Buholm, seconded by Perry Abrams.
- VOTING Yea: Council Member Napoli, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm

8. Adopt **Resolution 2022-21**; A Resolution Of The Dillingham City Council Authorizing The City Manager To Approve A Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The City Of Dillingham And Public Employees Local 71

MOTION: to adopt Resolution 2022-21 made by Aksel Buholm, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

- Agreement went to staff on Monday. They unanimously approved the CBA.

VOTING Yea: Council Member Napoli, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm

9. Adopt **Resolution 2022-22**; A Resolution Of The Dillingham City Council Authorizing The City Manager To Approve A Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The City Of Dillingham And The Public Safety Employee Association

MOTION: to adopt Resolution 2022-22 made by Aksel Buholm, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

- Final negotiation meeting completed. CBA to be updated with changes and will go to staff for their vote.

VOTING Yea: Council Member Napoli, Council Member Armstrong, Council Member Abrams, Council Member Westfall, Council Member Bennett, Council Member Buholm

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

## CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

There were no comments.

## COUNCIL COMMENTS

### Curt Armstrong:

- Noted we are on spring break.

### Chris Napoli:

- Noted the plaque for Port Director Jean Barrett, mentioned it meant a lot to him.
- Stated the FY23 budget process went very smooth this year.
- Mentioned the increased funding from the State, and the positive impact to our budget.

### Perry Abrams:

- Commented on the work done to get FY23 budget balanced.
- Recommended activating a committee to address issues being expressed in the community.

### Kaleb Westfall:

- Encourage to see the right sized budget for Dillingham.
- Noted moving in the right direction for city employees.
- Commented on how invested local businesses were, specifically noted the response to the recent fire at the landfill. Businesses thanked for their contribution to the community.

### Aksel Buholm:

- Noted Jean Barrett's contribution to the city.
- Mentioned the Fire Departments efforts regarding the recent landfill fire.
- Stressed the need to be safe when fishing.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

- Noted strategic planning initiated an outreach plan. Consider partnerships, stake holders, etc., and holding reception type events.
- Public information campaign to include council and staff, stepping up information on social media, the city webpage and regular conversation on the radio. Relay the forward-looking approach being taken by council and the city.
- Stated the Public Outreach Committee can be reactivated.
- Attended the town meeting UTBB regarding Pebble Mine. City stance has not changed.
- Thanked Jean for his time, effort, and commitment.
- Noted efforts made to fill in gaps at the city; harbor, dock, public works, and public safety.
- Appreciated all those who stepped up to help with the landfill fire.
- Wished all a safe summer, and good fishing.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

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Mayor Alice Ruby

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ATTEST:

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Lori Goodell, City Clerk

Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_