



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Dillingham City Council was held on Thursday, August 11, 2022, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers and via video conferencing, in Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Ruby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A workshop to update city operations preceded the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ruby was present.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of June 16, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting

MOTION: Aksel Buholm moved and Kaleb Westfall seconded the motion to approve the June 16, 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

There was no consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION to approve the 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

2. City Manager & Staff Reports

- A study to establish a growth plan is being created. Plan will consider partnership and grant opportunities.
- Rotational Officer promoted to Police Sergeant will be transitioning to local residence.
- City Clerk noted for continuing education.
- Planner report mentioned for level of detail and appreciation of community outreach.

3. Committee Reports

MEAL – received a positive commercial assessment report. The facility sits on land the city donated. City input will be needed as MEAL is looking to sell.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There was no public hearing.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

4. Friends of the Landfill; Sue Flensburg and Debi Nelson:

- Acknowledged the city youth group supervised by Eli for work done cleaning up and crushing cans. Stated enough cans are crushed, wrapped, and palletized to fill a container.
- Mentioned AARP grant award, 300 buckets for elders to use for fish waste were received.
- E-waste sorting to be done at the landfill, Saturday, August 13, 10:00 a.m.
- Partners noted; Curyung Tribal Council, BBAHC, and BBNA

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

5. Introduce **Ordinance 2022-06**; An Ordinance of the Dillingham City Council Adopting a False Claims Act

MOTION: to introduce Ordinance 2022-06 made by Chris Napoli, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

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

6. Adopt **Resolution 2022-23**; A Resolution of the Dillingham City Council Supporting Curyung Tribal Council's BBEDC Arctic Tern Grant Application for Participation at the 2022 AFN Elders and Youth Conference

MOTION: to adopt Resolution 2022-23 made by Kaleb Westfall, seconded by Perry Abrams.

- Mayor Ruby disclosed she administers the Arctic Tern program but has no financial investment in the grant.
- Council Member Napoli disclosed he works for BBEDC, but his employment is not impacted by the grant.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. Landfill Report

- Fire at the metal pile is out. Work ongoing to reopen the site. Metal and debris are being received at a temporary site. DEC guidance being adhered to.

Committee Appointments

Port Advisory Committee - 3 seats

Senior Advisory Commission - 3 seats

Planning Commission - 1 seat

No letters of interest received.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Wood Tikchik State Park Management Council

Dillingham has a designated seat on the Management Council, the Governor requests Dillingham City Council recommend three names, the Governor makes the appointment. Public Notice was made for submittal of letters of interest. Mayor Ruby reported two letters of interest were received.

MOTION: to submit the two individual letters of interest for Wood Tikchik State Park Management Council made by Chris Napoli, seconded by Aksel Buholm.

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

9. Park Project Update

- New playground opened Sunday August 7, during BRU Summerfest Celebration.
- BBNA, City of Dillingham, and local citizens mentioned as partnering for project.
- Recreational plan for parks being developed for direction of future projects.
- Noted 500 entries counted for the BRU Summerfest Celebration event.

10. Committee Review

Recommended annual review of committee structure.

- Define type and purpose of committee.
- Assess if current committees are filling needs or have needs changed.
- Provide direction, expectations and meeting timetable.
- Determine if Council can fulfil role of some of current committees on the list.
- Workshop prior to September meeting to brainstorm how council wishes to proceed.

11. Adopt **Action Memorandum 2022-07**; Authorize Purchase of Sander, Plow Assembly, and Flatbed Truck for Public Works

MOTION: to adopt Action Memorandum 2022-07 made by Aksel Buholm, seconded by Kaleb Westfall.

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

CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Open to the Public)

Gordon Issacs: Spoke in favor of Council revisiting a fish tax, noting the revenue is needed.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Chris Napoli:

- Commended staff for moving forward, commenting receiving positive comments.
- Acknowledged good work done by the youth group.

Aksel Buholm:

- Noted the fish tax is still on the council radar.
- Commented on positive activity, thanking city staff.
- Thanked Public Safety and the Fire Department for keep everyone safe.
- Requested update on status of city property list.

Curt Armstrong:

- Noted shock the meeting season is upon us.

Kaleb Westfall:

- Expressed he is glad things are moving forward, noting the new playground.
- Stated we need to keep going and do better.

Perry Abrams:

- Noted the fish tax has not been dropped; stating we can do better.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

- Commented it has been a busy year noting the landfill and harbor. Thanked staff for their hard work.
- Stated the Friends of the Landfill will be doing e-waste this Saturday.
- Commented on timing for the regular city council September meeting, noting holding the meeting on the 8th of September. Consensus from all Council Member for holding the September meeting on 9.8.2022.
- A moment of silence was observed for lost since the last meeting with a special observance for Gusty Bartman who was the oldest Alaska Guardsman.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

 Mayor Alice Ruby
 [SEAL]

ATTEST:

 Lori Goodell, City Clerk

Approval Date: _____