



CITY OF GUSTAVUS CITY COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, March 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM
Gustavus City Hall

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Shelley Owens
Vice Mayor Brian Taylor
Council Members: Janene Driscoll, Rachel Patrick
Jim Mackovjak, Kyle Bishop, Mike Taylor

CITY HALL

City Administrator – Kathy Leary
City Clerk – Liesl Barker
City Treasurer – Ben Sadler
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MINUTES- PENDING

VIRTUAL MEETING INFORMATION

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ID: 515 501 9406 **PASSCODE:** 2451 **TEL:** 253-215-8782

ROLL CALL (12 Seconds)

PRESENT

Mayor Shelley Owens
Vice Mayor Brian Taylor
Council Member Janene Driscoll
Council Member Rachel Patrick
Council Member Jim Mackovjak (via zoom)
Council Member Kyle Bishop
Council Member Mike Taylor

Reading of the City of Gustavus Vision Statement (1 Minute 24 Seconds)

Vice Mayor B. Taylor read the City of Gustavus Vision Statement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (2 Minute 28 Seconds)

- 02-20-2024 General Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Council Member Mackovjak to approve by unanimous consent the 02-20-2024 Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by Council Member Bishop

Public Comment: None

Council Comment: None

Hearing no objections, the 02-20-2024 General Meeting Minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

MAYOR'S REQUEST FOR AGENDA CHANGES (3 Minute 30 Seconds)

Mayor Owens requested for

Mark Berry and Claire Geldhof to speak prior to the staff and committee reports.

To move item number 13 to be reviewed directly after item number 10.

To move item number 15 to the beginning of new business.

And to amend item number 14 to be a discussion topic, not action item.

Public request to agenda changes: None

Council request to agenda changes: None

Hearing no objections, the proposed agenda changes are approved by unanimous consent.

COMMITTEE / STAFF REPORTS

Mark Berry of Berry Specialty Contracting spoke about the proposed GVFD heating system updates. (6 Minute 10 Seconds)

Council Clarifying Questions:

Mayor Owens

Council Member M. Taylor

Council Member Driscoll (25 Minute 06 Seconds)

Council Member Patrick

Claire Geldhof BSN, RN- Department of Health Southeast Itinerant Public Health Nurse III/OD2A Public Health Nurse, provided a brief update of public health trends in Alaska and possibilities of how to work with City of Gustavus moving forward. (14 Minute 30 Seconds)

Council Clarifying Questions:

Council Member M. Taylor

Council Member Driscoll – See above Question for Mark Berry

2. Library Quarterly Report (33 Minute 09 Seconds)

Library Administrative Director, Melisa Gomb and Library Services Director, LeAnn Weikle submitted a written report and provided an oral summary.

Council Clarifying Questions:

Council Member Patrick

Council Member M. Taylor

Council Member Bishop

Council Member Driscoll

3. Gustavus Visitors Association Quarterly Report (1 hour 0 Minute 12 Seconds)

Gustavus Visitor Association President, Leah Okin submitted a written report and provided an oral summary.

GVA Marketing Technician, Brian Taylor answered a question from Okin.

Council Clarifying Questions:

Mayor Owens

Council Member M. Taylor

4. City Treasurer Monthly Report (1 hour 19 Minute 24 Seconds)

City of Gustavus City Treasurer, Ben Sadler provided monthly financial documents and gave an oral summary.

Council Clarifying Questions: None

5. City Administrator Monthly Report (1 hour 20 Minute 26 Seconds)

City of Gustavus City Administrator, Kathy Leary provided a written and oral report.

Council Clarifying Questions

Mayor Owens

15. Approve HDR's scoping document to provide City of Gustavus with capital improvement plan project evaluation for grant competitiveness.

(1 hour 32 Minute 58 Seconds) (Moved to right after City Administrator's report.)

Motion made by Council Member Mackovjak to approve HDR's scoping document to provide City of Gustavus with capital improvement plan project evaluation for grant competitiveness.

Seconded by Council Member M. Taylor

Public Comment: None

Council Debate:

Vice Mayor B. Taylor

Council Member Driscoll

Motion made by Council Member M. Taylor to amend the motion to strike the word scoping document and replace it with proposal.

Seconded by Council Member Bishop.

Secondary motion approves HDR's striking scoping document and replacing it with proposal to provide City of Gustavus with capital improvement plan project evaluation for grant competitiveness.

Point of order - No public comment on amendment to original motion

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed.

Motion as amended to approve HDR's proposal to provide City of Gustavus with capital improvement plan project evaluation for grant competitiveness.

Council Debate:

Council Member Taylor

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (1 hour 51 Minute 14 Seconds)

Public Comment:

Justin Marchbanks: Thankful for City Administrator's hard work and Council's support. Keep staff reports to 5 minutes.

Jim Kearns: New breakwater needed at the dock and Wilson Road needs paving and upkeep.

CONSENT AGENDA

None

ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING (1 hour 56 Minute 15 Seconds)

6. FY24-11NCO Returning Unused Capital Project Funds (Introduced 02-20-2024)

Mayor Owens opened the public hearing at 8:57pm.

Public Testimony: Justin Marchbanks

Mayor Owens closed the public hearing at 8:58pm.

Motion made by Council Member Bishop to adopt FY24-11NCO Returning Unused Capital Project Funds.

Seconded by Vice Mayor B. Taylor

Council Debate:

Council Member Driscoll

Vice Mayor B. Taylor

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

7. Approve CY24-06 Resolution by The City of Gustavus Supporting but recommending amendment of House Bill 365 (2 hours 5 Minute 5 Seconds)

Motion made by Council Member M. Taylor to approve Resolution CY24-06 The City of Gustavus Supporting but recommending amendment of House Bill 365.

Seconded by Council Member B. Taylor

Point of Order: Need to read Resolution – Mayor denies because Resolutions were provided to the public and council prior to meeting.

Public Comment: None

Council Debate: None

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

8. Approve CY24-07 Resolution supporting the Continuation of the current Alaska Marine Highway System's Advisory Operations Board

(2 hours 8 Minute 37 Seconds)

Motion made by Council Member Mackovjak to approve Resolution CY24-07 supporting the Continuation of the current Alaska Marine Highway System's Advisory Operations Board.

Seconded by Council Member Bishop

Public Comment: None

Council Debate:

Council Member Mackovjak

City Administrator

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

9. Approve CY24-08 Resolution regarding the updating of the U.S. Forest Service's Tongass Land Management Plan (2 hours 13 Minute 30 Seconds)

Motion made by Council Member Mackovjak to approve Resolution CY24-08 regarding the updating of the U.S. Forest Service's Tongass Land Management Plan.

Seconded by Vice Mayor B. Taylor

Public Comment: None

Council Debate: None

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

10. Approve CY24-09 Resolution for Harbor Tract B2 Purchase

(2 hours 15 Minute 06 Seconds)

Motion made by Council Member M. Taylor to approve Resolution CY24-09 for Harbor Tract B2 Purchase

Seconded by Council Member Bishop

Public Comment: None

Council Debate: Council Member M. Taylor

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

13. Approve CIP Project Development Form for Purchase of Salmon River Harbor Tract B-2 and Adjacent River Tidelands

(2 hours 18 Minute 00 Seconds) (Moved to follow item number 10)

Motion made by Vice Mayor B. Taylor to approve CIP Project Development Form for Purchase of Salmon River Harbor Tract B-2 and Adjacent River Tidelands

Seconded by Council Member Driscoll

Public Comment: None

Council Debate: None

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

11. Approve CIP Project Development Form for Purchasing of a LUCAS Chest Compression Device (2 hours 21 Minute 10 Seconds)

Motion made by Council Member Driscoll to approve CIP Project Development Form for Purchasing of a LUCAS Chest Compression Device

Seconded by Council Member Bishop

Public Comment: None

Council Debate: None

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

12. Approve CIP Project Development Form for Heat Pump Installations for City Buildings (2 hours 23 Minute 17 Seconds)

Motion made by Council Member Patrick to approve CIP Project Development Form for Heat Pump Installations for City Buildings.

Seconded by Council Member M. Taylor

Public Comment: None

Council Debate: None

Voting Yea: Mayor Owens, Vice Mayor Taylor, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Patrick, Council Member Mackovjak, Council Member Bishop, Council Member Taylor

Motion Passed

14. Creation of Land Advisory Committee (2 hours 25 Minute 0 Seconds)

Council Member M. Taylor provided a summary of status.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS (2 hours 26 Minute 25 Seconds)

Council Member Mackovjak - Update on reapplying for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)

Council Member Driscoll - Update on City of Gustavus 20-year Anniversary and flowers project.

16. Coffee with Council (2 hours 29 Minute 00 Seconds)

Council Members Bishop and Patrick provided brief update on January's Coffee with Council. Council answered questions from January Coffee with Council, the answers can be found in March 2024 General Meeting packet and online.

Council Member M. Taylor and Vice Mayor B. Taylor provided update on upcoming March 16th Coffee with Council.

17. Mayor's Report (2 hours 32 Minute 32 Seconds)

Mayor Owens submitted a written report and provided an oral summary.

CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (2 hours 33 Minute 05 Seconds)

Mayor Owens – Suggested opening a public comment time during work sessions when time allows.

Council Member Driscoll

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (2 hours 33 Minute 18 Seconds)

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT (2 hours 35 Minute 00 Seconds)

With no further business and hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm.

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VISION STATEMENT

We envision a distinctive community:

- That prospers while and by protecting its natural resources;*
- With a sustainable economy and infrastructure that assures public health and safety while promoting personal development and initiative; and*
- Where all members take social responsibility and actively participate in decision making affecting growth, development, regulation and enforcement; and*
- In which people retain a closeness with and caring for each other individually and collectively while working together to accomplish community goals and preserve community traditions.*

Shelley K. Owens, Mayor

Date

Attest: Liesl M. Barker, City Clerk

Date