



# CITY OF KOTZEBUE NOTICE

## Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2026 at 5:15 PM

City Hall Chambers – 258 A Third Avenue

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### THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

For residents who want to participate telephonically

call: **1-800-315-6338**; access code: **49401#**

### Meeting Notice

**I. Call to Order** at 5:15pm

**II. Roll Call**

*Council Members present at time of roll call:* Vice Mayor Norton, Council Members Hadley, Sherman, and Greene. *Telephonically:* Mayor Chase.

*Telephonically* Council Member Jackson arrived at 5:24pm.

Council Member Haviland-Lie arrived at 6:01pm.

**III. Invocation / Moment of Silence**

Fire Chief Funk gave invocation.

**IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood for Pledge of Allegiance.

**V. Introduction of Staff & Guests**

*Staff present at time of roll call:* City Manager Johnson, Office Administrator Moore, PW Director Avery, Acting Police Chief Sgt. Meier, Fire Chief Funk, Acting Parks & Rec Director Johnson, Acting Planning Director Smith, and Arctic Spirits Manager Lambert, *Telephonically* – City Attorney Evans, City Clerk/HR Jones, Finance Director Wetzsel, and Federal Lobbyist's Rindfuss/Cogar.

*Guests present at time of roll call:*

**VI. Adoption of The Agenda**

Council member Hadley made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Council Member Sherman.

## **VII. Adoption of Minutes**

### **a) March 05, 2026 Meeting Minutes**

Council Member Sherman made a motion to approve and adopt March 05, 2026 meeting minutes, seconded by Council Member Hadley.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

## **VIII. Citizen Comments**

No Citizen Comments.

## **IX. Correspondence**

### **a) Alaska National Guard Child & Youth Program Youth Council**

Ron presented. Post on Facebook and KOTZ radio

### **b) 2026 Washington DC Federal Affairs Trip**

Mayor/Vice Mayor. Possibly 2 more council members. Dates May 12-15, 2026 confirmed by Peter. Johnson/Avery to attend from Administration.

## **X. Unfinished Business**

No Unfinished Business.

## **XI. New Business**

### **a) Manager's Reports**

1. City Manager - Ron Johnson

2. Holland and Hart

3. The Mulder Company

4. City Attorney - Joe Evans

5. Finance Director (accept & approve Finance Director's Report)

Council Member Hadley made a motion to accept and approve Finance Director's Report, seconded by Council Member Sherman.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

6. Public Works (accept & approve Public Works Report)

Council Member Hadley made a motion to accept and approve Public Works Director Report, seconded by Council Member Sherman.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

7. Police Department

8. Fire Department
9. Parks & Recreation
10. Package Store
11. Public Relations/Human Resources
12. Planning Department

## **XII. Council Members Comments**

Seat B: Derek Haviland-lie

Seat C: Joshua Hadley

Seat D: Kathleen Sherman

Seat E: Cory Jackson

Seat G: Johnson Greene

Seat A: Ernest Norton

Seat F: Saima Chase

Youth Representative: Vacant

## **XIII. Executive Session**

Council Member Hadley made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the City, and matters affecting personnel, seconded by Council Member Haviland-Lie.

**Motion passed unanimously**

Entered Executive Session 7:04pm

Reentered Open Session 7:57pm

No votes were taken, and directions were given to Administration.

## **XIV. Adjournment**

Council Member Haviland-Lie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Sherman.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.**

**Accepted by:**

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Saima Chase  
*Mayor*

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**Respectfully Submitted By:**

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Donald Jones  
*City Clerk*