

**MINUTES
NOME PLANNING COMMISSION
RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Nome Planning Commission was called to order at 7:05PM by Chairman Hughes in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sue Steinacher; Kenneth Hughes III; Mathew Michels; Sara Lizak; Carol Piscoya; John Odden; Gregory Smith.

Members Absent:

Also Present: Glenn Steckman, City Manager; Christine Piscoya, Deputy City Clerk; David Barron, Building Inspector; Eileen Bechtol, City Planner.

In the audience:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Hughes asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

A motion was made by C. Smith and seconded by C. Odden to approve the agenda.

At the roll call:

Aye: Hughes; Michels; Lizak; Piscoya; Odden; Smith; Steinacher.

Nay:

Abstain:

The motion **CARRIED**.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

A. Historic Preservation Commission Activities.

- City Planner Bechtol stated the contract has been approved with Gary Gillette and the Phase II work can begin. The quarterly reports for the grants have been completed and submitted. Phase II plan will be a Historic Preservation Plan and Gray will start working on that.
- Commissioner Steinacher asked for clarification on what Gary Gillette will be working on.
- City Manager Steckman explained that Gary Gillette will be working on the Phase II Historic Preservation Plan. Phase I is the Swanberg Dredge upgrades and completely different from Phase II.

COMMUNICATIONS

A. Memo from Eileen Bechtol, City Planner re: Extreme Habitats Institute.

STAFF REPORTS

A. City Manager's Report.

- City Manager Steckman stated the City acquired the ownership of the property from Elsa Bronson so that the future 18 plex housing for teacher and police department housing. The ice rink will be moved to a new location by the Nome Recreation Center.

B. Building Inspector Report: Updated Building Worksheet List.

- Chairman Hughes complimented Building Inspector Barron's nice work on the Building Worksheet list.
- Building Inspector Barron explained the list and what is on the Building Worksheet list; abatement, vacant properties and other buildings that fall on the list.
- City Manager Steckman explained that the ordinance is not set up to have Over the Counter sales of properties.
- Chairman Hughes stated it is to amend the ordinance to add in a section to the ordinance so that Over the Counter sales of Properties can happen.

C. Deputy City Clerk Permit List.

- Chairman Hughes asked for an updated abatement list.
- Building Inspector Barron corrected and stated it is a Building Worksheet List. He continued to clarify that if the Commissioners choose, they can continue working on this list on their own to suggest the next steps for those properties on this list.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

- 1) Commissioner Michels no comment.
- 2) Commissioner Lizak thanked city staff for continuing the work being done at this time and she is looking forward to finishing the survey for the comprehensive plan.
- 3) Commissioner Piscoya the audio through Zoom was not good but will be using the teleconference line to call in for the future.
- 4) Commissioner Odden concerned about the dust control or lack of, if the vacant property ordinance is not being enforced it needs to get updated before it becomes a problem.
- 5) Commissioner Smith stated the vacant property ordinance needs to be updated.
- 6) Commissioner Steinacher no comment.
- 7) Chairman Hughes is glad to see things moving forward on the commission and the lack of dust control is still an issue.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 with a work session at 5:30PM and a meeting at 7pm.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by C. Odden and seconded by C. Smith that the meeting be adjourned.

Hearing no objections, the Nome Planning Commission
adjourned at 8:16PM

APPROVED and **SIGNED** this 2nd day of March, 2021.

KENNETH HUGHES III
Chairman

ATTEST:

BRYANT HAMMOND
City Clerk