

CITY OF UNALASKA  
UNALASKA, ALASKA  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 22, 2007

The regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council was called to order by Mayor Marquardt at 7:00 p.m., May 22, 2007, in the Unalaska City Hall Council Chambers. Roll call was taken and the following members were present:

Mayor	-Shirley Marquardt
Members	-Katherine McGlashan -D. H. "Kris" Flanagan -Juanita Lewis -Dick Peck -Roger Rowland
Absent	-Rocky Caldero (excused)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:**

1. Council Member Rowland's family; wife, Tammy; daughters, Kimberly, Julie, Sharon, and son Axle.
2. Shaun Combs, DOT Representative, South Channel Bridge project.
3. Paul French, Representative from American Civil Contractors, South Channel Bridge project.
4. Carl Campbell, Union Field Representative.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Hearing no revisions, Mayor Marquardt declared the agenda approved.

**MINUTES:** Hearing no revisions, Mayor Marquardt declared the minutes of May 8, 2007 BOE, and May 8, 2007 adopted.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Council reviewed financial report for month ending April 2007.

**BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:** Planning Commission and PCR Advisory Committee minutes were in packet.

**AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS:** None

**MANAGER'S REPORT:** Chris Hladick, City Manager, reported that the legislative session has ended; the City will receive 2 million for landfill project and \$260,000 for revenue sharing; City will not receive PERS relief this year; SB105 approved the extension to the \$5 million reimbursable grant for LSA.

**COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Ballyhoo Lion's Club Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am at Memorial Park.
2. Jeff Hawley, PCR Director, gave an update on the Clean-up week; expressed appreciation to Unisea, Inc. for a tremendous job.
3. Soap box derby this Saturday at 9:00 am.
4. Senior graduation on Saturday at 7:00 pm.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-05:** ADOPTING THE CITY OF UNALASKA FY08 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS.

Mayor Marquardt opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2007-05.

Mayor Marquardt closed public hearing. No public testimony.

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-06:** CREATING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO THE FY07 BUDGET FOR INCREASED REVENUE FOR INVESTMENT INCOME AND FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX, AND FOR FORFEITED ASSETS, FIREWORKS, SALARIES AND WAGES, OVERTIME, INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS BUDGET AMENDMENTS, DECKING SUPPLIES AND D-1 FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, AND CAPITAL PROJECT AMENDMENTS WHICH INCLUDE THE POWERHOUSE PROJECT, SOUTH CHANNEL BRIDGE PROJECT, AND THE ONE TON LINE CREW TRUCK IN THE ELECTRIC FUND.

Mayor Marquardt opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2007-06.

Mayor Marquardt closed public hearing. No public testimony.

**ADJOURN INTO WORK SESSION**

Flanagan move to adjourn into a work session at 7:10 p.m., Peck second. UNANIMOUS VOTE.  
Meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:45 p.m.

**Work Session: Cont.:**

Items discussed in Work Session:

1. **ALASKA LEGISLATIVE SESSION:** OVERVIEW OF ISSUES AFFECTING UNALASKA'S OPERATING BUDGET.

**RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-05: SECOND READING:** ADOPTING THE CITY OF UNALASKA FY08 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS.

Lewis move to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-05, Flanagan second.

DISCUSSION: None

Lewis move to postpone Ordinance No. 2007-05 until June 12, 2007, Peck second.

Discussion: Mayor Marquardt explained that Council should develop ideas and specific concerns from the issues on the legislative session affecting the FY08 Operating budget; will schedule a work session at the Library before the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

VOTE ON MOTION TO POSTPONE: UNANIMOUS

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 2007-06: SECOND READING:** CREATING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO THE FY07 BUDGET FOR INCREASED REVENUE FOR INVESTMENT INCOME AND FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX, AND FOR FORFEITED ASSETS, FIREWORKS, SALARIES AND WAGES, OVERTIME, INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS BUDGET AMENDMENTS, DECKING SUPPLIES AND D-1 FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, AND CAPITAL PROJECT AMENDMENTS WHICH INCLUDE THE POWERHOUSE PROJECT, SOUTH CHANNEL BRIDGE PROJECT, AND THE ONE TON LINE CREW TRUCK IN THE ELECTRIC FUND.

Flanagan move to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-06, McGlashan second.

AMENDMENT: McGlashan move to amend Ordinance No. 2007-06 per Proposed Amendment No. 1 to budget for additional funds in the Electric Utility Fund for employee overtime and fuel, Lewis second.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE ON AMENDMENT: UNANIMOUS

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED: MCGLASHAN-AYE, LEWIS-AYE, FLANAGAN-AYE, PECK-AYE, ROWLAND-AYE. Motion passes 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-27:** AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE FY08 COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF UNALASKA AND THE UNALASKA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Peck move to adopt Resolution No. 2007-27, Flanagan second.

DISCUSSION: Chris Hladick, City Manager, explained that the community schools agreement is completed annually; this is another way to contribute to the school.

Public Testimony: Public inquiring that the agreement does not address other school facilities available for the City to utilize; think the City lacks access at the school big gym; can be utilized for multiple PCR events; inquiring why big gym is closed during summer; City pays a lot of money for the community schools program.

Darrell Sanborn, School Superintendent, thanked Council for providing more funds to the school; explained that occasional conflicts occur with the schedule of school events at the big gym; both gyms are available during summer; community, non profit groups, and the University are utilizing the gym, class rooms and computer laboratory; big gym is closed during summer due to floor maintenance; school facilities are open to everybody.

Jeff Hawley, PCR Director, explained that school allows PCR to utilize the big gym whenever available; school is very receptive as long as the City provides staff to oversee the facility; City wants the good working relationship to continue and grow; the school gyms are great facilities and should be utilized by the public.

1. **Resolution No. 2007-27: Cont.**

Mayor Marquardt expressed appreciation to the School for the good job.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-28:** ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF LEVY OF ASSESSED PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF UNALASKA, ALASKA FOR FY08.

McGlashan move to adopt Resolution No. 2007-28, Peck second.

DISCUSSION: Chris Hladick, City Manager, explained that the City is required by Alaska Statutes to adopt the mil rate; Administration is not recommending an increase; mil rate has been 11.78 for many years; taxes will increase due to increase in the assessed valuation of the properties.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-29:** APPROVING SCHOLARSHIPS TO UNALASKA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES.

Flanagan move to adopt Resolution No. 2007-29, Lewis second.

DISCUSSION: Council discussion that this is very difficult task; the difference between the top and average students is very slight.

AMENDMENT: Peck move to amend Resolution No. 2007-29 to increase the scholarship fund to \$16,500 to award scholarships to additional students, Flanagan second.

DISCUSSION: Council expressed appreciation to the school district; the matrix developed by the previous Council Member was very helpful for the final decision; encourage all Council Members to vote positive on the amendment; City has the funds to increase the scholarships to recognize exceptional students; do support school system; have children and grandchildren in the school system; students work hard and have excellent teachers; need to show interest in children's future; will benefit the whole community.

Council discussion very interested in the children's career and future; City and community support the school very well; increase in scholarships is not the right move that the City should make in light of the information received regarding increase in insurance and PERS.

Council discussion that the City provides the school the maximum funding set by the legislature, \$39,000 for community schools program and \$503,000 in maintenance; last year the community provided the seniors \$120,000 in scholarships; believe City provided sufficiently.

Council discussion in favor of the amendment; felt the increase in scholarship can be rewarded to a few more excellent students; agree that City provides a lot of funding to the school, but scholarships are for individuals; scholarship funds goes directly to the school.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT: PECK-AYE, ROWLAND-AYE, MCGLASHAN-NAY, LEWIS-NAY, FLANAGAN-AYE. Motion fails 3-2.

Discussion: None

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: UNANIMOUS

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-30:** AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO REJECT THE BIDS FOR THE PCR SIDEWALKS AND THE POWER HOUSE TRENCHING PROJECTS.

Rowland move to adopt Resolution No. 2007-30, Flanagan second.

DISCUSSION: Chris Hladick, City Manager, explained that bids received are extremely high; recommends rejecting; will decide if City will do the projects in house.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

5. **FISHERIES UPDATE:**

Frank Kelty, Natural Resource Analyst, gave fisheries update; gave an overview on the seafood sales on different species; discussed the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands over fishing definition analysis.



DISCUSSION: Council discussion regarding the show Deadliest Catch on the Discovery Channel. Mayor Marquardt explained that Alternative 1 is reasonable to utilize. Council concurs that Frank Kelty can comment on fisheries issues during the fisheries meeting in Sitka, Alaska on June, 2007.

**COUNCIL DIRECTIVES:** None

**COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Unalaska School Band concert on Wednesday at 7:00 pm at the School big gym.

Mayor Marquardt adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.

  
Rowena Lacson  
Deputy City Clerk 

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*6/12/07*