

CITY OF UNALASKA
UNALASKA, ALASKA
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2009

The regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council was called to order by Mayor Shirley Marquardt at 7:00 p.m., November 10, 2009, in the Unalaska City Hall Council Chambers. Roll call was taken and the following members were present:

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| Mayor | -Shirley Marquardt |
| Members | -Dick Peck -Roger Rowland -Dennis Robinson -Dave Gregory -Zac Schasteen -Katherine McGlashan |
| Absent | -None |

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

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Mike Hubbard, The Financial Engineering Company.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Add Executive Session: NPEDES Permit Enforcement Action, Mayor Marquardt declared agenda approved as revised.

MINUTES: Hearing no revisions, Mayor Marquardt declared the minutes of October 27, 2009 regular meeting adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT: None

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS: None

MANAGER'S REPORT: John Fulton, Assistant City Manager, gave verbal update. David Frazier was in town to answer questions for employees on changes to the City's Health insurance; RFP scoring for the Carl E. Moses inner boat harbor continues; evaluation committee is hoping to give recommendations to City Manager by the next council meeting.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Frank Kelty's 60th birthday today.
2. Mayor read a letter from Dan Winter's, DPU Director, recognizing Cat Hazen for her idea on energy efficiency.
3. Unalaska City School District construction completion party next Wednesday at the High School.
4. November is the Marine's birthday, and Veteran's Day.
5. Hyett Palma's surveys are out to the community, they are due on November 20th.
6. Welcome Back Tonya Miller.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON AGENDA ITEMS:

LEGISLATIVE:

1. Jessica Earnshaw, Acting-City Clerk, administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Richard G. Peck.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

WORK SESSION:

Rowland moved to adjourn into a work session at 7:13 p.m., McGlashan second. Unanimous vote. Reconvened to regular session at 9:18 p.m. Items discussed in the work session were:

1. **WASTE WATER RATE STUDY RESULTS:**
2. **3RD ENGINE RATE ANALYSIS:**
3. **HEALTH INSURANCE:**
4. **MUNIS/TYLER- WORK ORDER UPDATE**

CONSENT AGENDA: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **RESOLUTION NO. 2009-52:** AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HYETT PALMA TO PERFORM A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY PLAN.

McGlashan move to adopt Resolution No. 2009-52, Gregory second.

DISCUSSION: Council discussion appreciates this proposal; this is long over due; pleased to see this project moving forward.

Council discussion: read this proposal was shocked with price however; feel that this will be a beneficial tool that is needed.

Council discussion: does not like idea of sole sourcing; believe that we should go out to bid for this study.

Council discussion: feel this needed; impressed with their details and Hyett Palma knows our community.

Discussion: Chris Hladick, City Manager, explained that this did go out to bid for the housing portion only and bids came in high; believe this study will be useful for the community.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 2009-17:** AMENDING THE PORT OF DUTCH HARBOR UNALASKA MARINE CENTER TERMINAL TARIFF.

Rowland move to schedule Ordinance No. 2009-17 for public hearing and second reading on November 24, 2009, McGlashan second.

DISCUSSION: Council discussion support this increase; this past year we have raised other rates; believe these adjustments are needed to cover cost of the facility.

Council discussion: support rate increase; tariff fees have not been not been adjusted in over 10 years; 4.8 increase is not a great impact for users of this facility.

Council discussion: opposes this ordinance; cannot see the financial need to increase rates.

Council discussion: cannot support this increase; believe cost should go down; this enterprise fund can attract new business; dock was built for containerized cargo.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Horizon Lines invested \$20 million on the UMC dock; Horizon Lines is the primary customer; Preferential Use Agreement expires 2010; if operating costs increase, shipping costs will increase; would like to encourage council not to raise rates.

Council discussion: currently we are paying the increased rates to the enterprise fund; enterprise funds should be self supporting and ports enterprise fund is currently not self supporting; in favor of raising all rates.

Council discussion: in favor of this ordinance; this is a small step that we need to take to help out this enterprise fund.

VOTE: 4-AYES, 2-NAYS. Motion passes 4-2.

3. **MAYOR/COUNCIL TRAVEL:** NORTH PACIFIC FISHERIES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL-DECEMBER 7-11, 2009.

Rowland move to approve the Mayor to attend the NPFMC in Anchorage, Alaska, McGlashan second.

DISCUSSION: Council discussion believes it's not necessary for council members to these meetings; we have a Fisheries Analyst that will be attending.

Council discussion: believes we should have council members attend these meetings; it's important that our City be represented at these meetings.

Council discussion: believes its good experience for council members to attend; it's beneficial for our community to have council members attend these meetings.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

COMMUNITY INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Sonia Handforth-Kome, Clinic Administrator, reported that Iliuliuk Clinic Family & Health Services is the first Frontier State Clinic (FSC-01) in Alaska; electronic records will be going online soon.
2. Council Member McGlashan's son Carter birthday this month.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: NPDES Permit Enforcement Action.

Rowland move to adjourn into executive session 10:16 p.m. to discuss NPDES Permit Enforcement Action, McGlashan second. Unanimous vote. Meeting reconvened to regular session at 10:52 p.m. No action taken from executive session.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVES:

Peck move to direct the City Manager to bring back information on extended residential energy credit at the December meeting with triggers, threshold, sunset clause for June, Robinson second.

DISCUSSION: Council discussion against this energy credit from the start; do not support continuing this energy rebate credit.

Council discussion: received several phone calls from the public thanking us for this energy rebate credit; do have concerns with the existing ordinance.

Council discussion: against this feel we should look at all figures before making a decision; would like to see more information on this issue.

Council discussion: would like to see a sunset clause be added in June.

VOTE: 5-AYE, 1-NAY. Motion passes 5-1.

Mayor Marquardt adjourned the meeting at 10: 54 p.m.


Jessica Earnshaw
Acting City Clerk